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PARISH BULLETIN: First Sunday of Advent – December, 03 - 2017

HOPE IS IN THE WAY



“In advent season let us allow ourselves to teach hope, to faithfully await the coming of the Lord, and whatever desert we might have in our life will become a flowering garden.”

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Located at 475 St Mary St.
North

(Parish Hall)

9:00 a.m - 4:30 p.m

Monday to Friday

Phone : 905 529 3921

Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday to Friday: 8:00 a.m

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday Mass 7:00 p.m

Adoration: 6:30 p.m

Exposition of the blessed
sacrament and Confessions

Sunday Mass: 10:30 a.m

Filipino Sunday Mass

First and Third Sunday

At 5:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 6:30 - 6:50 p.m

or by appointment

Sacraments Marriage or Baptism:

Please contact the Parish office

Phone; 905-529-3921

or email us:

stlawrencehamilton@hamiltondiocese.com

or go to the Parish website

www.stlawrencehamilton.ca/sacraments

Come visit us!

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THE LORD WILL COME!

Dear parishioners:

With the first Sunday of Advent, we have begun a new liturgical year in the church. Our hope is to see the Lord shines into the darkness and our longing for a new time who starts to flourish as a new creation. This is also a new opportunity to accomplish what we are looking for or what we are waiting for.

Advent is a beautiful time; in the Christian tradition, this season is represented by the wreath which means the cycle of the time around of year. A year in which we have lived a lot experiences as individuals and as people belonging to the community. As we approach the end of the year, the memories about this year come from different fronts; some of these memories could make us feel happy or sad because each of us has had different experiences in our life. Before these experiences, Advent emerges as the times that offer to us the occasion to rise up our head, because our hope is real and is beyond our limitations and daily routine.

Advent, my friends, encourages us to reflect on the contrast between our daily routine and the unexpected coming of the Lord. The message of advent does not try to frighten us, but “to open our horizons” to further dimensions, giving meaning to everyday occurrences.

In this time of Advent, I renew my hope in the Lord who chose me to be a ministry in this church. It is my hope to work toward building a community of faith. A community where everybody is welcome and has a place here, giving something for the community or doing something for their community. To rebuild the parish with new life is our hope, to see new volunteers assuming responsibilities is also my hope, and it is possible. There are committees and groups that need to be created and changed and organized with new volunteers who can bring new spirit to the parish. I hope that you are available to accept the invitation to be part of this community. Also, it is the occasion to renew my gratitude to those volunteers who, until now, are working for this parish community, doing things for us.

Finally, I want to conclude this reflection repeating the words of Pope Francis: “In Advent time we are called to enlarge the horizons of our hearts and mind, to be surprised by the life that is presented each day with its newness. In order to do this, we need to learn to not depend on our own securities, our own established plans, because the Lord comes in the hour which we don't imagine”

It is my wish that all of you have a wonderful time this Advent; time to consider a room for whom has made us brothers and sisters.

Fr. Heinner, OMI



MASS FOR THE FEAST OF MARY IMMACULATE

December 8

We are all invited to celebrate the feast of our mother, Mary Immaculate December, Friday 8 at 12:00 pm. The feast of Mary Immaculate is the one of the most importance celebration during the advent season. Mary Immaculate remains to us the virgin who believed in the premises of the Lord made to our ancestors, Abraham and the prophets. The feast of Mary Immaculate is also the feast of the Missionaries Oblates of Mary Immaculate whom Fr. Heinner, Fr. Tony, Fr. Jareck and Brother Dan, OMI all belong to. For them, the Virgin Mary Immaculate is the patroness and the mother their congregation. Please join us, the Oblates, this week in your prayers as we celebrate our feast day.



 **Mass Intentions
for the Week**

TUESDAY, December 5

8:00 AM - Manuel Rocha
by Rosa Rocha

WEDNESDAY, December 6

8:00 AM - Prayers - Special Intentions
by Michael Truyenvo

THURSDAY, December 7

8:00 AM - For the soul of Maria (Mary)
by Michael Truyenvo

FRIDAY, December 8

12:00 PM - Guiseppe Cavigliano
by Rosa Cavigliano

SATURDAY, December 9

6:30 PM - Confessions

7:00 PM - Fernando Calma Jr.
by Evelyn Calma

SUNDAY, December 10

10.30 AM- Sunday Mass
Parishioners of Saint Lawrence

TURKEY ROLL

Thank you to our supporters

On December 1st St. Lawrence the Martyr Parish held its annual fundraising event Turkey Roll. The night was a time to enjoy and make friendship between all the participants who assist in supporting our parish. The event also was a success! We have raised money to support our parish. A very special and heartfelt thank you to all who attended and supported this great fundraising event. It could not have been done without you. From start to finish, a big thank you to our incredible volunteer team.



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Holier-Heddle & Greco Families; *Dunn, Grace and Nespal Families*; Victor Giannotti. Gilberto Pavao, Jeffrey, Zeffra, Jackson, Joyce Moorcroft families. Annie and Kasper Siek, Mr. & Mrs. G Roach & Family, Giuseppe Cavigliano. Simone Campanella- Campanella Family.

MISSIONARIES OBLATES OF MARY IMMACULATE OMILACOMBE- Canada

December 8th is the feast of Mary Immaculate. It is, as well, the feast day of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate. The Oblates in Canada (OMILACOMBE) are part of the worldwide congregation of priests and brothers called The Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate who serve the poor in more than 60 countries on five continents. The Oblates first arrived in Canada in 1841. As the young country grew, we grew with it, quickly moving west and serving First Nations, Inuit and Metis people along with the early immigrant communities from Europe, and founding most of the dioceses west of Ottawa.

Today, the 185 Oblates in OMI Lacombe Canada devote our lives to the service of the poor throughout the country's smallest towns and largest cities. Called to live in apostolic community, we live our mission in our community. The majority of the members of OMI Lacombe Canada live in communities under one roof with other Oblate brothers and priests.

The members of OMI Lacombe Canada seek to rediscover and incarnate in its members, its communities and its works, the One who said:



“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because the Spirit has anointed me to bring good news to the poor... to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free” (Luke 4). HAPPY FEAST DAY ALL OBLATES IN THE WORLD!

CHILDREN’S LITURGY PROGRAM



Come and join us every Sunday during the mass 10:30 am. where children are welcome to join our program leader in a Children’s Gospel, prayer, song and activity, giving parents time for their own personal reflection during mass. No registration required

2018 COLLECTION ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE

The Donation Envelopes for 2018 will be available for pick up at the back of the church on Saturday, December 9, Sunday, December 10, Saturday, December 16 and Sunday, December 17, 2017.

If you are unable to pick them up at the back of the church, please come to the office any time from Tuesday to Friday – 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS DONATIONS

After each weekend Mass, starting the first weekend of December, we will be collecting donations for our Christmas flowers to help with the cost of decorating our church for Christmas. Please consider helping us prepare a fitting place to welcome the Lord. You may drop off your donations at the parish office or place in the Sunday collection in an envelope marked “Christmas Flowers”.

COLLECTION REPORT
WEEK OF NOVEMBER, 26- 2017
ENVELOPES USED THIS WEEK (54)
COLLECTED FROM ENVELOPES



LOOSE COLLECTION

\$ 681.00

\$ 432.85

TOTAL

\$ 1113.85