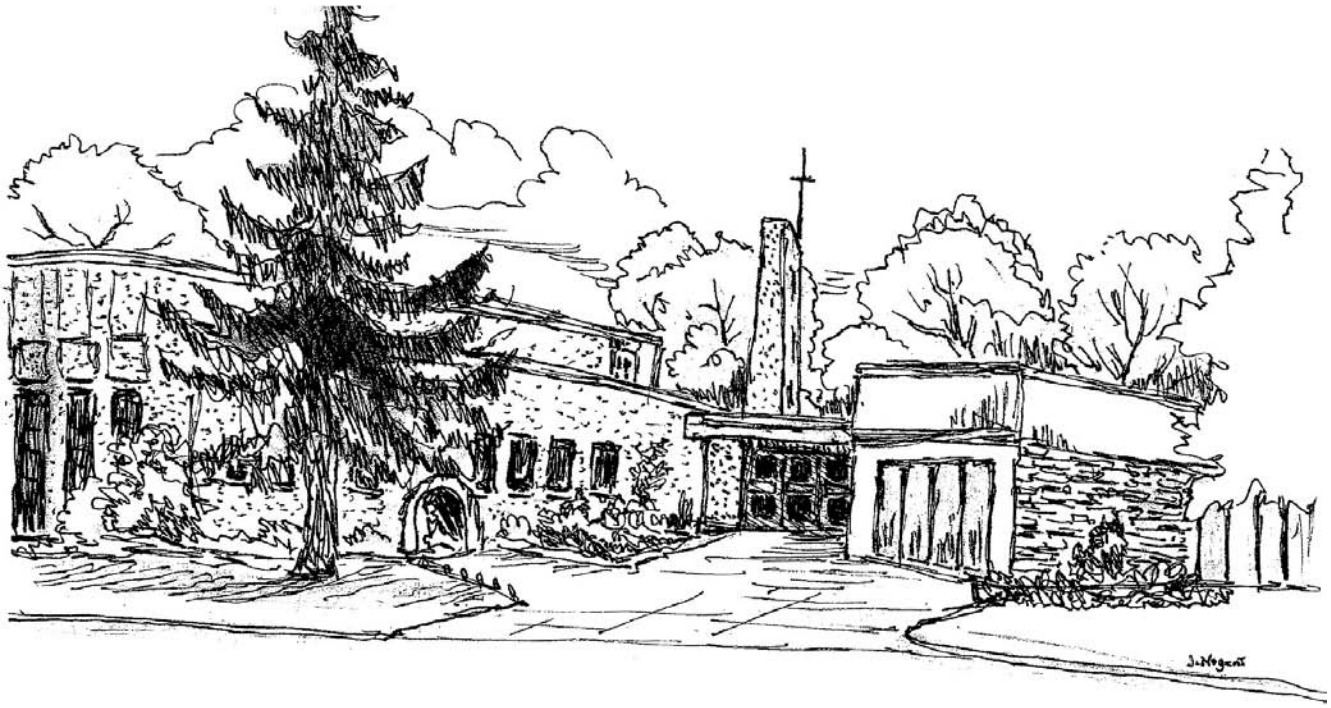
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Office Hours:
Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 am - 12:00 noon, 1:00-5:00 pm
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Weekday Mass:
Tuesday: 7:00 pm
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:00 am

Sunday Mass:
Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Available Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm or by appointment.

Parish Devotions:
Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesday's – 12:00 noon-6:45 pm
Every First Friday of the month: 9:30 am-12:00 noon

Baptism: Celebrated by appointment only. Participation in a Baptismal Preparation Session is required. Please contact the parish office (905-388-2200) well in advance.

Marriage: Parishioners who are planning to marry should contact the parish office at least six months before the proposed wedding date.

Visits to the Sick: If you or someone you know is in need of a visit in home or hospital please call the parish office.

New to the Parish: Please register by completing a registration form (available online and in the Narthex). We also ask that you notify the office of any change in address or telephone number.

Schools:

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THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NOVEMBER 8, 2026

REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week.
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is:
Matthew 25.14-30

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

October 31-November 1, 2026

Regular Sunday Env.	$ 5,121.00
Loose Collection	$ 685.00
STMM Outreach	$ 918.00
Mission Coop- HAITI	$ 1,635.00

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PARISH MEMORIAL MASS

Our Annual Parish Memorial Mass will be celebrated on **Thursday, November 12, at 7:00 p.m.** We will remember in a special way those who have passed away during the past year. All parishioners are warmly invited to join us in remembering their deceased family members and friends. Please feel free to invite your family and friends to share this special evening of prayer and remembrance. A reception will follow in the Hearth Room after the Mass.
May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

BAKING REQUEST ANNUAL PARISH MEMORIAL MASS

Our Annual Parish Memorial Mass will be celebrated on **Thursday, November 12th, at 7:00 p.m.**, followed by a reception in the Hearth Room. We are expecting a large turnout and would greatly appreciate your help! If you are able to bake a tray of squares or cookies to share, your contribution would be sincerely appreciated. Baked goods may be dropped off at the Hearth Room on **Thursday, November 12th, any time after 1:00 p.m.** Thank you for your generosity and support. May God bless you!



7:00pm on Tuesday
9:00am Wednesday to Friday

Tues., Nov. 10 7:00 pm	†Jeff Toole †Eusebio Dias †Francesco Cannizzaro †Anne Cupido †Antonita Gundan
Wed., Nov.11	Intentions of Jack & Emma Beattie
Thurs., Nov. 12	†Rocco Della Nebbia Memorial Mass for deceased parishioners and friends at 7.00 pm.
Fri., Nov. 13	Intentions of Luis Miguel Dimaranan †Diego Arena
Sat., Nov. 14 5:00 pm	†Jeff Toole †Gerardo & Consolatriz Salem †Anne Cupido †Patricia Caherty †Nicola Cocca †Nancy Romyn †Emilia Lopes †Elphege Lobo

The Book of Revelation: A Promise of Hope, Not Fear
As we approach the final weeks of the Church's liturgical year and the Feast of Christ the King, our attention turns traditionally to what the Church calls *the last things*: death, judgment, heaven and eternal life. We are reminded that our journey through life is not without direction or purpose. We are travelling towards our eternal home, into the loving embrace of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

During these weeks, the Book of Revelation takes on particular significance. Unfortunately, for many people, Revelation is among the most misunderstood books of the Bible. Its dramatic images of destruction, conflict, beasts and heavenly battles have often been interpreted as frightening predictions of the end of the world. Yet, what if we have been reading this extraordinary book through the wrong lens? What if its central message is not fear, but hope?

The contemporary British biblical scholar **N.T. Wright** offers a refreshing perspective. In his most recent book, ***God's Homecoming*,** Wright reminds us that the great story of the Bible, from Genesis to Revelation, is about God's desire to dwell with humanity. Rather than imagining heaven simply as a distant destination to which we must travel, Wright invites us to recognize God's promise to bring heaven and earth together in a new creation. It is a beautiful thought. The God who has accompanied us throughout our lives will not abandon us at the end of the journey.

This is precisely the reassurance that the Book of Revelation offered to the earliest Christian communities. They were living through times of uncertainty, persecution and suffering. Their world often seemed to be falling apart. They wondered whether their faith could survive and whether the promises of Jesus could really be trusted.

Revelation was written to encourage them to persevere, to remain faithful, and to remember that evil, suffering and death would never have the final word. Its closing chapters offer some of the most beautiful and comforting passages in all of Scripture: ***"See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them."*** (Revelation 21:3) And then comes that extraordinary promise: ***"He will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more."*** **(Revelation 21:4)**

What an extraordinary vision of our future! Not a God waiting to frighten or condemn us, but a God who comes close enough to wipe away our tears. And perhaps this is the message we most need to hear today. We live in a world filled with uncertainty. Wars, divisions, personal disappointments, illness, grief and anxiety can sometimes overwhelm us. Like those first Christians, we may wonder where God is in the midst of it all.

Revelation reminds us that God has not abandoned the world, nor has God abandoned us. The risen Christ is present, accompanying us through every season of life, even those moments when the road becomes difficult and the destination seems uncertain.

As we prepare to celebrate the feast of **Christ the King**, perhaps we might remember that the final word in the Christian story is not destruction, judgment or fear. The final word is love. The great promise of Revelation is expressed in the words of the One seated upon the throne**:** ***"See, I am making all things new."*** (Revelation 21:5) And that includes us.

So, stay the course. Remain faithful. Do not lose heart. The Lord who has walked beside us throughout our lives will accompany us all the way home. And what a homecoming that will be!

ADVENT RETREAT – LOVE FROM BETHLEHEM

Join us for a special Advent Retreat with **Fr. Michael Mascarenhas** on **Saturday, December 12, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** Journey with **Mary and St. Francis of Assisi** as we reflect on God's love in the Incarnation and the true meaning of Christmas. Come and prepare your hearts for the coming of Christ and rediscover the joy and wonder of His birth! **Pick up a brochure with more information and dates on the information rack.**



THE PARISH BAZAAR

To everyone who supported our annual Parish Bazaar on Friday and Saturday, a sincere thank you. An event like this takes more than a village and a lot of time, talent and hard work. You deserve a long rest today and the gratitude of all of us for bringing it all together and giving our parish an opportunity to have fun and enjoy one another's friendship and commitment to pull together for the good of the parish. Thank you.

At Mass on Sunday, after the final blessing, you may notice that Deacon Rene or I move to the altar as a small group of parishioners come forward to receive a pix which contains a host that will be taken to a family member, a parishioner or a friend who is ill and/or unable to be with us for Mass. This is one of the most ancients acts of the church that dates back to the time of the Acts of the Apostles. Today, we continue the practice and encourage family and friends who care for the sick continue this practice on Sunday after Mass. If you would like to participate, please speak to Deacon Rene who will provide you with what you need to make this a meaningful and spiritual experience that brings comfort and support to the sick.

Faith is something we receive, but it is also something we continue to explore throughout our lives. There are always new questions to ask, new insights to discover, and new ways of understanding what it means to follow Christ.

Growing in Faith, Growing in Christ is a series of three four-week opportunities to explore **faith, spirituality, and our life in the Christian community which began last week and will continue for the next three weeks.**

The invitation is open to everyone. Perhaps you have been part of the Church all your life and would simply like an opportunity to revisit some of the foundations of your faith. Perhaps you would like to deepen your spiritual life or think more carefully about what it means to belong to a Christian community. Or perhaps you are simply curious and would like to know more.

This year, rather than beginning primarily with presentations or teaching, we will begin with **people and their stories**. Throughout the series we will encounter the witness and testimony of men and women, young and old, some well-known and others less familiar, who speak honestly about their experiences and their own journeys of faith. Their stories will become a starting point for our own reflection, conversation and questions.

Pick up a brochure with more information and dates on the information rack.

CALLED TO SERVE" VIDEO SERIES – We are excited to introduce "Called to Serve," a new video series featuring bishops and priests sharing their personal vocation stories and experiences of serving God and His Church. New videos are released every Friday on our Diocesan website. You can watch and follow the series here: Website: https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/priesthood-and-consecrated-life/called-to-serve/

RESTART: Refresh, Renew, Revive Support Group

Struggling after divorce or separation – as others are? Join us for learning, support and fun on two rotating evenings each month. These get-togethers offer continual support and insights for people as they journey through the divorce/separation process and beyond. Please be sure to look at the monthly calendar for dates and to register for all sessions at: https://sites.google.com/view/hamilton-restart/home , or contact Sarah at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com, or 905-528-7988 ext. 2249. We look forward to seeing you!

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