

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Tuesday	6:00pm	St. Augustine's School Mass
Wednesday	8:00am	+John Volpato
Thursday	8:00am	Int. of Mel Ruttan
Friday	8:00am	+Dec. Kane & Devine Families
Saturday	5:00pm	+Moir van den Heuvel

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday	Rev. Lech Wycichowski, C.R.
Tuesday	Rev. Stanley Zaryczny, C.R.
Wednesday	Carmelites of Mary Immaculate (C.M.I.)
Thursday	Rev. Brendan McGrath
Friday	Rev. Miro Grubisic, O.F.M.
Saturday	Rev. David Perrin

VOCATIONS OFFICE

Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister in order to help our world of today to truly "prepare the way of the Lord?" If you think God is calling you to be a priest contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988 or email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

There is all day Adoration on Wednesday. Adoration is from 9:00a.m. to 4:00p.m.

REST IN PEACE

Lord grant eternal rest for the souls of our dearly departed, especially the soul of your loving servant Stella Tate.

CHRISTMAS CAKES

Christmas Cakes on sale in the Parish Hall today after all the Masses.

CHRISTMAS CHURCH DECORATING

Please join us Saturday, December 15th at 9:30AM for decorating our church for the Christmas season.

Your contributions for November 24th & 25th

Regular Collection	\$4,978.00
Loose Collection	\$493.00
Building Fund	\$500.00

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

December 18th – 7:30pm to 8:30pm or end
December 19th, 20th, 21st, – 8:30am to 9:00am
December 22nd – 4:00pm to 4:45pm

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

December 24th, Christmas Eve – 5:00pm & 7:00pm
(11:30pm – Festival of Lessons and Carols)
12:00 – Midnight Mass
December 25th, Christmas Day – 9:00am & 10:30am

NEW YEAR'S MASS

Monday, December 31st, New Year's Vigil – 5:00pm
January 1st, New Year's Day – 10:30am Only
(No Tuesday evening Mass on January 1st, 2019)

FLOWERS FOR ALTAR

Donations for poinsettias and floral arrangements will be gratefully received to help defray costs. Anyone wishing to make a donation is asked to pick up an envelope marked "Flower Offering" at the back of the church. Please include your name and envelope number and place it in the collection basket by Sunday, December 16th.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S CATHOLIC ASSOCIATION OF DUNDAS CHURCHES 26TH ADVENT WALK

DECEMBER 9TH, 2018 AT 6:30PM

Pilgrimage of Hope, Peace, Joy and Love

The walk will start at St. James Anglican Church (137 Melville St.) proceed to St. Augustine's then to St. Paul's and concludes with refreshments at Knox Presbyterian Church.

Donations support the Dundas Food Bank (Tax receipts for gifts over \$10)

Each congregation is asked to contribute 6 dozen cookies and/or squares for the refreshment time at the close of the walk. Please bring your baking to Knox Presbyterian Church on Sunday, December 9th between 11:30am and 1:00pm. Please use the Melville Street entrance (glass doors).

2019 MASS INTENTIONS PROCEDURE

December 11th, Daily Mass Record Book will be opened for 2019 Mass Intentions from January 2nd to March 30th

March 26th, Daily Mass Record Book will be available to have Mass Intentions from April 2nd to June 29th

June 25th, Daily Mass Record Book will be available to have Mass Intentions from July 2nd to September 28th

September 24th, Daily Mass Record Book will be available to have Mass Intentions from October 1st to Dec. 28th

This revised procedure has resolved the issue of filling up our Daily Mass Record Book months in advance, thus giving all parishioners a fair chance to have a Mass requested for all weeks of the month.

In order to accommodate this procedure the following two guidelines must be adhered to.

- 1.) A parishioner can book only two Mass Intentions per year for the same person.
- 2.) A parishioner is allowed to book a total of two Masses in each three month period.

When there is a bequest left in a will by a parishioner and there are to be offering of Masses for the repose of their soul the desire is to have these Masses fulfilled as soon as possible.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Milk Bag Mattress Project: A friendly reminder to kindly assist us with this special project by saving, cleaning, and bringing in your outer milk bags for us. The collection box is in the Parish Centre. Thank you!

St. Bernadette's School Advent Mass & Performance: will be held at our church on Thursday, December 13th at 6pm. Our parish is warmly invited to attend this beautiful Mass, which will also include a special arts and musical performance, all led by students of Saint Bernadette's School. All are welcome!

Junior Youth Group (for Grades in Grade 4-6): we will be launching a Jr. Youth Group in the New Year. Stay tuned for more details and the launch party event date! Praying you all a blessed and peaceful Advent filled with joyful anticipation.

Julie youthgroup.st.augustine.dundas@gmail.com

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

We, the members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society of this Parish, wish to extend a "heartfelt thank you" for your on-going , generous support of our work. Again this Christmas season, we are arranging to offer additional food cards to those families or individuals in our community who are suffering from food insecurity due to financial distress. Our monthly collection will be taken up next weekend, Dec. 15 & 16 after Mass. If you would like a tax receipt for your gift, St. V. de P. envelopes are available at the back of the church – please be sure to include your name and address. Thank you and may the blessings of His peace and joy be with you this Christmas season.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society, St. Augustine's Parish

BAMBINELLI SUNDAY

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – DECEMBER 16, 2018

For the past several decades, the Pope has blessed the Baby Jesus figurines from Nativity Scenes that belong to families, and the families themselves, in St. Peter's Square in Rome. The blessing takes place on Gaudete Sunday, the third Sunday of Advent, and is known as Bambinelli Sunday. The blessing of the 'Bambinelli' - as they are known in Rome - reminds us that the Nativity scene is a school of life where we can learn the secrets of true joy.

All are invited to bring your Baby Jesus figurines from your homes to Mass next Sunday, December 16th to be blessed as we too celebrate our own Bambinelli Sunday. After the blessing you are encouraged to take your 'Bambinelli' home and place it in a gift box, wrap the box and save it for Christmas. Let this be the first gift you open on Christmas day - as you lay Jesus in the Manger, allow this moment to be a reminder of the great blessing we receive at Christmas