THE ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH, BURFORD & ST ANTHONY DANIEL PARISH, SCOTLAND

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Susan Elliott, Parish Accountant

For further information see the Volunteer Commitment forms in the main foyer of the church.

NEW PARISHIONERS

WELCOME! Registration Forms are available at the entrance of the church, at the parish office or on our website.

ARRANGING A WEDDING

A minimum of 6 months preparation, which includes a Marriage Preparation course required for all couples wishing to be married in the Hamilton Diocese.

SICK & HOME BOUND

If you know someone who is homebound and would like to receive Communion, please contact the parish office.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD. Sun 9:30am

For the young children of the parish. The children's liturgy is an opportunity for children to celebrate the Liturgy of the Word at a level they can understand.

SAINT VINCENT de PAUL: 519-865-1562 (Please leave a message)

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday to Friday 9:00am - 1:00pm

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00pm - Burford Sunday 9:30am - Burford 11:30am - Scotland

WEEKDAY MASSES - BURFORD

Tuesday 7:00pm Wednesday 8:30am Thursday 8:45am Friday 8:30am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:15 to 4:45pm or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Application forms are available at the entrance of the church. Please complete and place in the collection basket or drop off at the office. Once received Fr Andrew will contact you.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Anointing of the sick in home or hospital can be arranged by calling the parish office. Whenever possible, please call before any situation becomes critical.

HOLY ORDERS/RELIGIOUS VOCATION

Individuals wishing to explore a vocation to the priesthood, permanent diaconate or the religious life are encouraged to speak to Father Andrew or check the Vocations tab on the Hamilton Diocese website www.hamiltondiocese.com

CATHOLIC FUNERALS

It is customary to celebrate the funeral of a Catholic with a Funeral Liturgy in the parish church. Please call the Funeral Home or the Parish at time of need. The time of the funeral must be confirmed by the Pastor.

FUNERAL RECEPTIONS

Remember that the Parish Hall is available for reception after a funeral.

SCENT FREE AIR

Some people are sensitive or allergic to scents and fragrances. Please be mindful when you are getting ready to attend church

BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

1st Friday of every month is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following the 8:30am Mass.

1st Saturday of every month is Mass at 9:00am followed by the Rosary and Confession.

Sacrament of Reconciliation is on Saturday 4:15-4:45pm

Liturgical Calendar

Monday, December 9
No Mass

Tuesday, December 10

Adoration 6:00pm

Mass 7:00pm

†Jack Vilaca offered by Maria Gloria Vilaca

Wednesday, December 11

Mass 8:30am ~All Souls in Purgatory~

Thursday, December 12

Mass 8:45am

†John Gordon Slaman offered by John & Cecilia Slaman

Friday, December 13

Mass 8:30am

Intentions of Nicholas Ritter offered by Ritter Family

Saturday, December 14

Mass 5:00pm

†Jack Vilaca offered by Maria Gloria Vilaca & Family

†Stanley Pietrkiewicz offered by SSVP Particular Council

Sunday, December 15

Mass 9:30

~ All Our Parishioners ~

We Are Stewards

Weekend Contributions.....\$2,056.40

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

BAR 5:1-9; PS 126: 1-6; PHIL 1: 4-6, 8-11; LK 3: 1-6

The readings for the Second Week of Advent offer both encouragement and challenge as we reflect and prepare for the two "comings" of Christ — His coming as a baby on the great feast of Christmas, and the anticipation of His second coming at the end of time.

Our First Reading, from Baruch, is a wonderful reminder that God has triumphed over sin and death and that we — His faithful disciples — will live in the light of His glory one day. Until He comes again, we must remain faithful to Him as true disciples and good stewards of all the gifts He has given us. While it can be tempting to give in to the materialism and calls for self-indulgence that surround us, (ironically more than ever at this time of year), this reading calls us back to the spiritual reality that this life is passing and that we are made for eternal life with God. We are called to prepare for eternal life by the way that we use our time, our talents, and our treasure now.

The Gospel reading from Luke shows us how personal and detailed is God's love for humanity as He prepared the way for Christ's coming among us. We are told the precise time, place, and person, John the Baptist, He appointed to announce the arrival of our Savior. John tells us how to celebrate to the fullest this first "coming" on the feast of Christmas and how to prepare for the second coming — through repentance.

Let's turn away from any bad habits or sin that may have crept into our lives and turn our hearts and minds back to Christ this Advent. This is what the stewardship way of life is all about — moving closer ever closer in relationship with Christ and imitation of Him, ready to celebrate His birth, with eyes fixed on eternal life with Him.

CWL Christmas Potluck



The CWL will be having their Christmas Potluck Social on Tues Dec 10, at 5:00pm in the Parish Hall.

Reminder: CWL memberships are due soon. \$35.00

ST. ANTHONY DANIEL PARISH



Liturgical Calendar Sunday Mass 11:30am ~All Our Parishioners~

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Christmas & New Year's Schedule Blessed Sacrament and Saint Anthony Daniel

Celebration of Penance

Tuesday, December 17th, 6:00 PM Mass to follow, @Blessed Sacrament Parish

Christmas Eve

Tuesday, December 24, 2024 5:00 PM @Blessed Sacrament Parish

Christmas Day

Wednesday, December 25, 2024 9:30 AM

@Blessed Sacrament Parish

Wednesday, December 25, 2024 11:30 AM @St. Anthony Daniel Parish

New Year's Eve

Tuesday, December 31, 2024 5:00 PM @Blessed Sacrament Parish

New Year's Day

Wednesday, January 1, 2025 9:30 AM @Blessed Sacrament Parish

Wednesday, January 1, 2025 11:30 AM @St. Anthony Daniel Parish

Regular Sunday Mass Times remain the same for the weekend Saturday and Sunday Masses Christmas and New Year's are Holy Days of Obligation

Bambininelli Sunday

All are invited to bring your Baby Jesus figurines from your homes to Mass on Sunday, Dec. 15, 2024 at the 9:30am at Blessed Sacrament and 11:30am at St. Anthony Daniel Mass to be blessed as we celebrate our 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 and as you lay Jesus in the Manger and allow this moment to be a reminder of the great blessings we receive at Christmas.

JUBILEE OF HOPE, 2025

The Diocese of Hamilton joins the celebration of the Global Church in this Ordinary Jubilee Year, 2025, as "Pilgrims of Hope!" We are all invited to journey through this year drawing closer to God through prayer, service and experiences of renewal. Six churches have been designated as pilgrimage sites across the Diocese, welcoming you as a visitor over the course of the Jubilee to come and pray. Resources, information and locations of the pilgrimage sites are all made available on the Diocesan Website:

www.hamiltondiocese.com.

Christmas Concert Cancelled!

We regret to inform you that the Parish Christmas Concert Fundraiser, scheduled for December 14th, has been cancelled. We appreciate your understanding.

CHRISTMAS WITH THE CHOSEN: December

12, 2024 (7:00-8:00pm) The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis invites you to a live virtual viewing party of "The Shepherd", a special Christmas episode of "The Chosen," reflecting on the birth of Christ through the eyes of a young shepherd. This one hour gathering will include prayer, free streaming of the 20-minute episode, and well wishes for the Advent Season. Gather your friends and family, make the popcorn, and join us for this wonderful opportunity to prepare for the coming of our Savior! Registration is free and can be made here:

https://bit.ly/ChristmaswiththeChosen2024



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