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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.

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday 12-5pm, Wednesday 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

Tuesday: 6:00pm to 6:45pm, 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

February 22, 2026

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 (Relics of St. John Paul II, special family intentions) followed by the Rosary and Confession.

Sacrament of Reconciliation is on Tuesday 6-6:45pm. and Saturday 4:15-4:45pm

Liturgical Calendar

Monday, February 23, 2026

No Mass

Tuesday, February 24, 2026

Adoration & Confessions 6:00pm.

Mass 7:00pm.

Intentions Katelin, Jessica & Nicholas offered by Ritter Family

Wednesday, February 25, 2026

Mass 8:30am.

~All Souls in Purgatory~

Thursday, February 26, 2026

Mass 8:45am.

Welcome Blessed Sacrament School

†Marilyn Purvis offered by Blessed Sacrament Parishioners

Friday, February 27, 2026

Mass 8:30am.

† Cecilia Slaman offered by Karen Rick McKinnon

Saturday, February 28, 2026

Mass 5:00pm

†Gail Robinet offered by Michael Robinet

†Maureen Eichorn offered by Jenny McDermott

Sunday, March 1, 2026

Mass 9:30am

~ All Our Parishioners ~

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

GN 2:7-9; 3:1-7; PS 51:3-6,12-13,17;

ROM 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19; MT 4:1-11

As we begin the season of Lent, the Church invites us into 40 days of renewal and refocusing. Lent is not only about giving something up, but about making room for God. For Christian stewards, this season invites us to reflect on how we are using the time entrusted to us.

In the first reading, Adam and Eve turn their attention away from God and allow doubt to take root. Trust is replaced by self-reliance, and the harmony of the Garden is broken. These same temptations remain familiar when our days become crowded with distractions that pull us away from God.

In the Gospel, Jesus shows us a different path. In the desert, He gives time to prayer and fasting, remains grounded in Scripture, and places His complete trust in the Father. By intentionally giving time to God, Jesus resists temptation and remains faithful.

Lent invites us to do the same. By making space in our schedules for prayer, Scripture, and quiet reflection, we grow in trust and gratitude. When we place God at the center of our time, stewardship becomes a way of life, and our hearts are prepared to celebrate the joy of Easter.

Parish Lenten Retreat Mark Your Calendars!

Our Lenten Retreat with Father Adam Filas will take place March 14-17. We are blessed to welcome him back again this year.

On Monday, March 16 at 5:30 p.m., several priests will be available to assist with Confessions followed by a mass. There will be a second collection on March 15 to support Father Adam Filas and his ministry.

We hope you will join us for this grace-filled time of prayer and renewal.

Income Tax Receipts

Your income tax receipts for 2025 are ready and at the back of the church. Please let the office know if you have any questions.

We Are Stewards



Weekend Contributions.....\$1,758.00

Building Maintenance Offering....\$200.00

ST. ANTHONY DANIEL PARISH



Liturgical Calendar

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

We Are Stewards

 **Weekend Contributions\$270.00**

Lent
Lent is a 40 day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that began on Ash Wednesday.
During Lent, we can seek the Lord in prayer by reading Sacred Scripture: we can serve by sharing our time, talents and treasures; and we can practice self-control through fasting.
We are called not only to abstain from luxuries during Lent, but to a true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully.



Meetings
C.W.L.- next meeting will be on Wednesday, February 25th @ 5:30 in the hall.
We will start off with a bite to eat.



40 Cans for Lent
The Knights of Columbus are running their annual "40 Cans For Lent" at both Blessed Sacrament and St. Anthony Daniel Church. Donations can be dropped off in the foyers of both churches. Please be as generour as possible. The need is great! Thank you!



First Holy Communion



For all of those wishing to have their children fulfill the Sacrament of First Communion and First Reconciliation, please fill out a registration form and return it with a copy of their baptism certificate before March 12th. You are asked to attend one of the following information meeting-
Wednesday March 11th, 6:30-7:30pm or
Saturday March 14th, 11:00am-12:00pm.
Other dates to save are: Workshops on
Saturday March 28th 11:00am-1:00pm,
April 25th 10:30am-1:00pm and
Friday May 1st. Rehearsal
First Holy Communion May 3, 2026.

Spring Book Club:



"On Love of the Poor"
The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis invite you to join us for a four-week virtual book club, exploring Pope Leo XIV's first Apostolic Exhortation, "On Love of the Poor." Aligned with our Lenten journey, this series will explore the key themes and messages of our Holy Father's message on love and solidarity with those who experience marginalization. Registration can be made here: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/>

The C.W.L. would like to give a big thank you to everyone who attended and helped out at their Soup and Pancake day Luncheon. They had an amazing turnout.



THANK YOU
We would like to thank everyone who came out, and everyone who helped us with our Valentines Line Dance Party Fundraiser last week. We had just over 100 people attend! We made \$407.20.

THANK YOU





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DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

February 17, 2026

To the Faithful of the Diocese of Hamilton
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

“Return to me with all your heart... for I am gracious and merciful” (Jl 2:12–13).

With these words from the prophet Joel, the Church opens the holy season of Lent. They are words of invitation—an appeal from the heart of God to each one of us. As we begin this sacred time—my first Lent with you as your Bishop—I receive these words personally, and I offer them to you as well.

In his Lenten Message for 2026, Pope Leo XIV reminds us that every journey of conversion begins by letting the Word of God touch our hearts and by relearning the art of listening. Lent, he writes, is a time to “*place the mystery of God back at the centre of our lives.*” These words beautifully echo the call of the prophet: to return with all our heart.

In the afterglow of the beautiful Installation Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King just two weeks ago, I concluded my homily with questions that remain with me still: How do we recognize God’s presence in our daily lives? Do we truly long for justice and peace? Are we attentive to the new people and situations God places before us? Through our words and actions, do we bring hope? Are we living the Gospel as Good News—news that brings joy, life, and light?

Lent gives us the grace to reflect more deeply on these questions.

On Ash Wednesday, we receive the cross in ashes upon our foreheads. That small cross proclaims that our faith is not confined to church walls. It is meant to be lived in our homes, workplaces, schools, and communities. We are reminded of our frailty—“Remember that you are dust...” (Gn 3:19)—and of the urgent call to hope: “Be reconciled to God” (2 Cor 5:20). Lent is the “acceptable time,” the “day of salvation” (2 Cor 6:2). It is a season of grace, a time to begin again.

Reconciliation stands at the heart of our journey. We seek it not only as individuals, but within our families, parishes, and wider community. Before approaching the altar, we are called to be at peace with one another (Mt 5:23–24). Perhaps the Lord is inviting us to mend a strained relationship, to offer or to ask forgiveness—even “seventy-seven times” (Mt 18:22). In this way, our homes become places where Christ’s light truly dwells. As the Holy Father also notes, conversion touches not only our conscience but the quality of our relationships and dialogue.

Saint Matthew’s Gospel presents the three pillars of Lent: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving.

“Whenever you pray... your Father who sees in secret will reward you” (Mt 6:6).
Prayer deepens our relationship with the Father. This Lent, we might set aside a few more moments each day for quiet conversation with God, rediscover Sunday Mass with renewed devotion, attend a weekday Mass, or pray the *Via Crucis* with our parish or as a family. In the spirit of the Pope’s invitation to listen, *we can embrace moments of silence, opening our hearts to the way God’s Word gently speaks within us.*

“When you fast... your Father who sees in secret will reward you” (Mt 6:17-18).
Fasting teaches us freedom. By freely giving something up, we remember that “one does not live by bread alone” (Mt 4:4). The Holy Father reminds us that fasting expands our hearts and even calls us to refrain from words that wound. *We are called to speak thoughtfully, refrain from harsh judgment, and nurture kindness* in our families and communities.

“When you give alms... your Father who sees in secret will reward you” (Mt 6:3-4).
Almsgiving flows from compassion. In caring for “the least of these” (Mt 25:40), we serve Christ Himself. Listening to the Word must also mean listening to the cry of the poor and responding with generosity and justice.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation holds a special place in this season. In Confession, there is a confession of praise, a confession of sin, and a confession of faith—trusting that Christ, who “will save his people from their sins” (Mt 1:21), has conquered sin and death. Here we encounter not judgment, but mercy.

The Beatitudes (Mt 5:1-12) remain our guide: “Blessed are the merciful... Blessed are the peacemakers.” They gently invite us to examine our lives: Am I humble? Am I merciful? Do I seek peace? Jesus not only teaches these blessings—He lives them and shares His life with us.

Lent is a journey we make together. As your Bishop, I walk it with you—as a fellow pilgrim in need of God’s mercy and grace. I carry you in my prayer each day, and I ask you to pray for me. In the words of the Holy Father, may this be a Lent that leads us to greater attentiveness to God and to one another, so that our communities become places where hope and reconciliation flourish.

May our families grow stronger in faith, our parishes become places of reconciliation and joy, and our Diocese shine ever more brightly with the light of Christ.

“Return to me with all your heart” (Jl 2:12). May this be our shared response to the Lord’s loving invitation. I wish you all a blessed and fruitful Lenten journey.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

+Joseph Dabrowski

Most Reverend Joseph Dabrowski, CSMA
Bishop of Hamilton

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