

Sacred Heart Parish

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Sacred Heart Parish, Walkerton

Mass Schedule

Tuesday Mass 9:00 am
Friday Mass 9:00 am
Saturday Mass 5:00 pm
Sunday Mass 11:00 am

Sacred Heart Parish, Mildmay

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Wednesday Mass 9:00 am
Thursday Mass 9:00 am
Saturday Mass 6:30 pm
Sunday Mass 9:00 am

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SUNDAY LITURGIES

Saturday: 5:00 pm.

Sunday: 11:00 am.

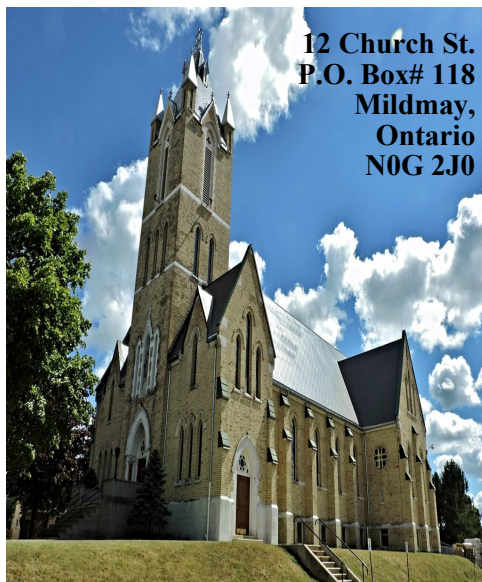
Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tuesday's 30 minutes before Mass
and Saturday's at 4 pm.
or by appointment

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday
9 a.m. to 12 noon
& 1p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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SUNDAY LITURGIES

Saturday: 6:30 pm.

Sunday: 9:00 am.

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Roy Haskins
Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper



First Reading:
Sirach 3.2-6, 12-14
Second Reading:
Colossians 3.12-21
Gospel:
Luke 2.41-52

The Holy Family Of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
December 29, 2024

Diocesan Newsletter

For information about Activities and Events of interest in the Diocese of Hamilton, subscribe to the online Diocesan Newsletter at www.hamiltondiocese.com.

The Holy Family Of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

MASS SCHEDULE FOR WALKERTON

December 31-January 5, 2024

Tues. Dec. 31 Please Note Mass Time Change
5:00 p.m. New Years Eve
 +Alf Kieffer *req by:* The Family

Wed. Jan. 1 The Solemnity of Mary,
11:00 a.m. The Holy Mother Of God - New Years Day
 For the great benefactors of our Sacred Heart Parishes

Thurs. Jan. 2
10:30 a.m. Mass @ Brucelea Haven - Fr. Les
 +Margaret M Zettler *req by:* Eugenia & Francis Zettler

Fri. Jan. 3
9:00 a.m.
 +Harvey Beitz *req by:* Anna & Family
 +Bob McIntee *req by:* Susanne Zippel

9:30 a.m. First Friday - Eucharistic Adoration

Sat. Jan. 4
5:00 p.m.
 +Francis Lang *req by:* Mary Berberick & Family

Sun. Jan.5 Epiphany Of The Lord
11:00 a.m.
 +Ena Kramer *req by:* Mary Immaculate School

MASS SCHEDULE FOR MILDMAY

December 31-January 5, 2024

Wed. Jan. 1 The Solemnity of Mary,
9:00 a.m. The Holy Mother Of God - New Years Day
 +Irene Kieffer *req by:* CWL

Thurs. Jan. 2
9:00 a.m.
 +Gerard & Camilla Lorentz *req by:* The Estate

Sat. Jan. 4
6:30 p.m.
 For the intentions of our Parish and its Benefactors

Sun. Jan. 5 Epiphany Of The Lord
9:00 a.m.
 +Albin Huber *req by:* The Family



In Deepest Sympathy

Please pray for the repose of the souls
 and families of:



**Ronald Fleet, Susan LeMoine, Katie Zambrzycki,
 Alberta Munro, Trevor Metcalfe
 & Casie Porter**

Feast of the Holy Family
 By Baptism we are God's holy family. Pray today for the grace to live faithfully your vocation as a single, married, ordained, or consecrated person. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. Email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

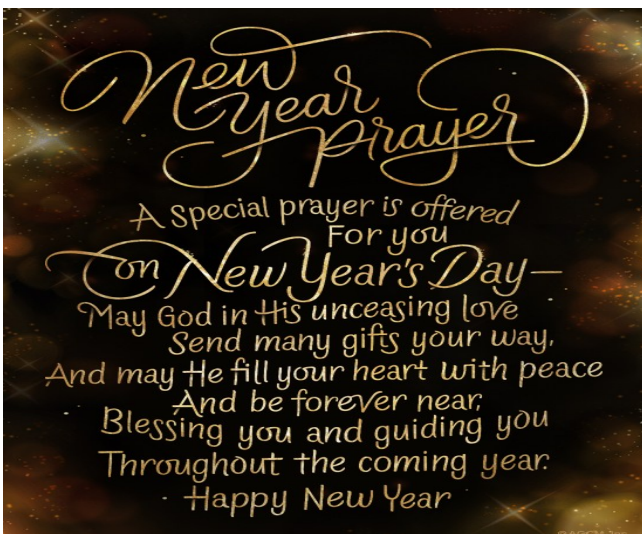


HAMILTON DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR FOR ALL WHO MINISTER IN THE CHURCH

Creator God, life is your gift. Through baptism you invite us to share in service in others. Give us the courage and generosity to respond to your call. Bless those who serve you as priests, religious, deacons and lay ministers. Open the minds and hearts of men and women to accept your challenge to build the kingdom of God. Amen.

This week, **Dec. 30– Jan. 4th, 2024** we pray for:
 Dec. 30... Very Rev. Msgr. Cornelius O'Mahony
 Dec. 31... Rev. Felix Nwatu

Jan. 1.....Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of God
 Jan. 2.....Most Rev. Douglas Crosby, O.M.I.
 Jan. 3.....Rev. Piotr Machnacki, S.A.C.
 Jan. 4.....Very Rev. Ranjan D'Sa, O.C.D.



A new year is like a blank book.
 The pen is in your hands. It is your chance to write a beautiful story for yourself.
 I hope that the new year will be full of positivity for you.
 Happy new year!



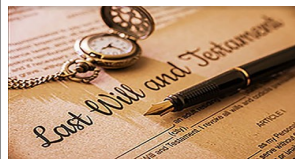
Pray For Our Sick.

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community, especially, **Helen Meyer, Helen McLean, Tom Austin, Sharon Anstett, Maryanne Buehlow, Phyllis Siegner, Ron Weiler, Rita DeBaincat, Carol McDonald, Jason Hart, Margarita, Dwayne, Jerome Zettler, Barry Smith, Lorraine S., Gerard Schmidt, Marg Weber, Mila Schnerch, Sandra Berry, Ron & Rose Wilhelm, Theresa Filsinger, Helen Kastner, Barbara Illerbrunn, Charlie Fischer, Patti Bycraft, Clayton & Dorothy Schmidt, Marlene Self, Nancy Litwak, Pat Weiler, Mike Weiler, Vincenzo Lanci, Terry Green, Jim Walter, Sr. Simone, Gord Maxwell, Al Schumacher, Carrie Anne Quish, Roland Siegfried, Tom Donnelly, Darlene Thorne, Paul Schnurr, Wayne O'Leary, Dianne & Bernard Cotter, Anne Marie Hammer, Patricia Jacklin, Janos Janossy, Shirley A. Grubb, Helena Morley, Len Kraemer, Marg Kleist, Fr. David Weise, Gib, Jerome Stroeder, Mary Louise Hauser, Denise Desroches, Dianne Kieffer, Julie McLaughlin, Regina Heaney, Linda Spitzig, Helen Beveridge, John Watson, Mary Benninger, Deborah Seigfried, Leonard Manion, Bonnie Quinnell, Vera Schmidt, Teresa Schnurr, Francis Zettler, Joan Miller, Glenn Schnurr, Betty Etherton, James Falkingham, Angela Cavanagh, Lloyd Gutscher, & Rosemary O'Hara and for all special intentions.** Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole and free downcast spirits. May these people find lasting health and deliverance, and so join us in thanking you for all your gifts. We ask this through the Lord Jesus who healed those who believed. Amen.



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Gift to the Church



Leaving a gift to the Church in your Will is a profound way to return to the Lord a share of the blessings you received during your life. A bequest to the Church helps accomplish the mission entrusted to us by Christ. As the Church was there for you in your lifetime, you can now provide for your Church's future ministry and maintenance.

Three common types of bequests are:

1. **RESIDUARY BEQUEST:** Once your loved ones have been looked after, you may wish to leave the rest of your estate to your Parish.
2. **GENERAL BEQUEST:** Should you wish to leave Sacred Heart Parish a specific dollar amount, a certain asset or a percentage of your estate.
3. **CONTINGENCY BEQUEST:** Helps you leave a portion of your estate to Sacred Heart Parish if a named beneficiary does not survive you.



Please remember your Parish, Sacred Heart, Walkerton or Mildmay in your Will. It is only through your generosity that we can maintain and upkeep our beautiful historic buildings.

Walkerton CWL News:



**Reminder CWL Memberships are due!
\$35.00 per member**

You can put your envelopes in the collection basket or drop it off at the Parish Office.

Next Executive Meeting, Tues. January 28th.

Next General Meeting,

Tuesday, February 3, 2025 at 9:30 a.m.

Merry Christmas from your CWL

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!" All invited to journey through this year drawing closer to God through prayer, service and experiences of renewal.

A church in each Deanery of our diocese has been declared as the Jubilee Pilgrim Centre.

These churches will have a replica of the Holy Door. Parishioners of the Deanery can visit the Pilgrim Centre on certain days when the church will be open.

Our Deanery church for the Jubilee 2025 is Immaculate Conception Church, Formosa.

Parishioners from our Deanery can visit the above church on the following days to receive graces:

**Friday, March 14, 2025, Friday, May 09, 2025,
Friday, August 08, 2025, Monday, December 08, 2025**

On these days, the Church opens at 10:00 a.m.;
Exposition at 10:30 a.m.; Reposition at 4:30 p.m.;
Mass at 5:00 p.m.

There is also a Day of Reconciliation :

Saturday, April 05, 2025 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

(Priests will be available between 10 am and 4 pm to hear confessions)

All are warmly invited to share these moments of grace!

Each month in the Diocese of Hamilton, we will pray for Hero's of Hope – those members of our parishes and communities who offer hope to those in need by their ministries and service.

During January,

we pray for those who serve in Parish Ministries:

Lord God, by the grace of our baptism, you have given us new life in Christ and called us to serve as pilgrims of hope.

We pray in thanksgiving for those who have responded to your call to be leaders in our parish community and for the volunteers who dedicate their gifts for the building up of your Church and the service of their sisters and brothers.

Through their varied ministries, may they touch the hearts of all in our community who long for the hope, born of our Christian faith, that never disappoints.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



The month of December is dedicated to the Immaculate Conception.

The first days of December fall during the liturgical season known as of Advent and are represented by the liturgical color purple — a symbol of penance, mortification and the sorrow of a contrite heart. The remaining days of December mark the beginning of the Christmas season. The liturgical color changes to white or gold — a symbol of joy, purity, and innocence.

The month of December is filled with expectation and celebration. Preparation is the key word for the first 24 days of December. Everyone is getting ready for Christmas — shopping and decorating, baking, and cleaning. Too often, however, we are so busy with the material preparations that we lose sight of the real reason for our activity. Christmas is a Christian feast — and we must reclaim it as such! In the same way that a family eagerly prepares for a baby, so in Advent should we prepare for the coming of the Christ Child. We should keep Advent as a season of waiting and longing, of conversion and of hope and keep our thoughts on the incredible love and humility of our God in taking on the flesh of the Virgin Mary. Let us not forget to prepare a peaceful place in our hearts wherein our Savior may come to dwell. The best person we can turn to for help during Advent is Mary, Christ's and our Mother. She awaited the day of His birth with more eagerness than any other human being. Her preparation was complete in every respect. Let us crown our preparation and borrow something of Mary's prayerfulness, her purity and whole-hearted submission to God's will.



MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH

January is a perfect time to sit together as a couple with a good cup of coffee or hot chocolate and do a little year in review.

Did we spend enough time with each other and with our families?

What went well for us and where do we recognize challenges? Discuss how these things could be better in 2025 and commit to making it happen for your couple relationship.

A little marriage reflection and tune-up can keep the sparks alive!

(From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)

There will be NO Senior Card Party on Thursday, December 26, 2024. Progressive Euchre & Solo Card Games will resume on Thursday, January 2, 2025 in the Church Hall from 1:30 - 4:00 pm. Everyone is welcome!



PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

Family time matters, as much when our children age as when they are young.

It helps to ensure this happens by building traditions that everyone partakes in regularly.

Traditions that everyone looks forward to and enjoys - pizza and movie nights, a special breakfast after attending Mass, games night – anything that brings you together for fun will do.

The emotional health of children with these kinds of connections is stronger throughout their lifetime.

As a family, plan your together time weekly and remember to share meals together daily, whichever meal of the day that has to be. With a solid family foundation, your connectedness can and will stay intact as your children grow older.

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CAUTION ICY CONDITIONS MAY EXIST

Now that the winter weather is here we ask that you please be extra careful when coming and go to the Church.

We try our best to keep our parking lot, walk ways and steps clear of snow and ice, however, sometimes we just can't keep up. Please be very cautious.

Thank you for your donations to Sacred Heart **WALKERTON**. Your contribution is greatly appreciated as we seek to encourage all with God's Love and Word!

Sunday Offerings.....	\$7,942.90
Building Fund.....	\$2,852.30
Christmas.....	\$2,509.00

Thank you for your donations to Sacred Heart **MILDMAY**. Your contribution is greatly appreciated as we seek to encourage all with God's Love and Word!

Sunday Offerings.....	\$5,273.25
Building Fund.....	\$2,404.00
Christmas.....	\$140.00
Fuel.....	\$25.00