

# Sacred Heart Parish

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Szczygiel**  
Pastor

## 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

### Mass Schedule

**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.

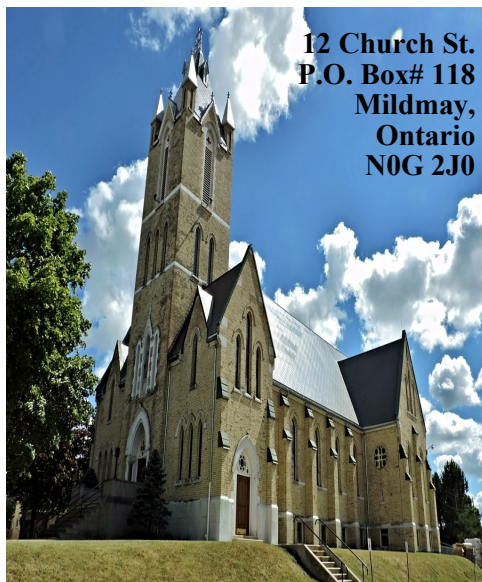
### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

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.

**Valerie Austin**  
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**Roy Haskins**  
Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper



**First Reading:**  
Zephaniah 3.14-18a  
**Second Reading:**  
Philippians 4.4-7  
**Gospel:**  
Luke 3.10-18

## Third Sunday Of Advent December 15, 2024

### Diocesan Newsletter

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# Third Sunday Of Advent

## MASS SCHEDULE FOR WALKERTON

December 17-22, 2024

### Tues. Dec. 17

9:00 a.m.

+Marlene De Carrion *req by:* Barb & Bob Doerr

### Thurs. Dec. 19 Mass @ Maple Court Villia - Fr. Les

2:00 p.m.

+Martina Gutcher *req by:* Roy & Bernice Henhoeffter

### Fri. Dec. 20

9:00 a.m.

+Mary Lambertus *req by:* Barbara & Paul Deeves

+Anna Oehring *req by:* Mary Busey

### Sat. Dec. 21

5:00 p.m.

+Frank & Cecilia Meyer *req by:* John

### Sun. Dec. 22 Fourth Sunday Of Advent

11:00 a.m.

+Jerry Goll *req by:* Cathy & Family



## MASS SCHEDULE FOR MILD MAY

December 17-22, 2024

### Wed. Dec. 18

9:00 a.m.

+Irene Kieffer *req by:* Deb Lang & Wendy Weatherall

### Thurs. Dec. 19

9:00 a.m.

Ofelia Rdgz. Miranda *req by:* Irma

+Jim Collison *req by:* Elaine & Bill Lorentz

### Sat. Dec. 21

6:30 p.m.

For the intentions of our Parish and its Benefactors

### Sun. Dec. 22 Fourth Sunday Of Advent

9:00 a.m.

+Albin Huber *req by:* The Family



### In Deepest Sympathy

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



**Mike (Margaret) Taylor, Agnes Hallahan,  
Anne Nicolson, Jack Hesch, Dolores Borho  
& Rita Strauss**

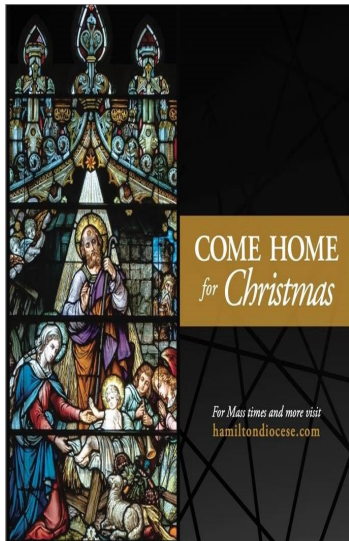
May God grant them eternal rest.

### Third Sunday of Advent

Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother,  
or sister and announce the Good News to His People as  
John the Baptist did? Contact Fr. Mark Morley,  
Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at  
905-528-7988. Email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

#### Luke 3:10-11

<sup>10</sup> "What should we do then?" the crowd asked. <sup>11</sup> John answered, "The man with two tunics should share with him who has none, and the one who has food should do the same."



### Please Join Us For Our December Social Sunday, Sunday, Dec. 15th

following the 11 am Mass.  
Thank you to Amy Kieffer and  
Mike Lundy for hosting this  
month. A special thanks to  
Luke for his enthusiasm and  
willingness to always help..

### 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. 16-21, 2024** we pray for:

Dec. 16...Rev. Ljubo Branimir Lebo, O.F.M.

Dec. 17....Rev. Stipe Rotim, O.F.M.

Dec. 18....Voluntas Dei Institute (i.v. Dei.)

Dec. 19....Rev. Ilija Petkovic

Dec. 20....Rev. Vinko Nenadic

Dec. 21....Rev. Pierre Caouette, L.C.



**Sacred Heart  
Parishes Fundraiser**  
Religious Christmas  
Cards are available for  
sale at your Parish Office.

**\$10.00** a pack.

(10 cards in a pack)

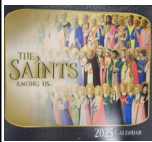


All proceeds to  
your Parish  
Building Fund

**THE SAINTS AMONG US** Calendars  
for 2025 are available at the Parish  
Offices and at the Church Entrances.

Please feel free to pick one up.

We ask that you please consider  
making a donation to the Building  
Fund as a thank you for the  
Calendar.



Rejoice Sunday

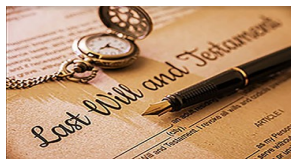
### Pray For Our Sick.

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community, especially, **Helen Meyer, Helen McLean, Sharon Anstett, Maryanne Buehlow, Phyllis Siegner, Ron Weiler, Rita DeBaincat, Carol McDonald, Jason Hart, Margarita, Dwayne, Jerome Zettler, Barry Smith, Marianne Pochman, 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, Katie Zambrzycki, 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, 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.



### 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.

**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.

### Mildmay CWL News:

**CWL Memberships** are due. The cost is \$40.00 a member and can be dropped in the collection basket at mass.

#### We will be collecting items for Bruce Grey

**Women Shelter:** Socks, Haircare, personal hygiene, non perishable food, tooth brushes and tooth paste, colouring books, crayons, small kids toys. Charlie Schmalz will be speaking at Mass April 2 @ 7:00, mass starts at 6:30, Charlie works at the Women's House.

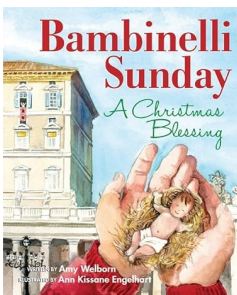
### Social Justice Committee

will once again be collecting Christmas cards for the residents of Maple Court and Brucelea Haven. Please leave the cards in the baskets located at both Sacred Heart Churches. The last date for collecting cards will be Mon. December 16th. Thank you.



### Bambinelli Sunday

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 generally 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.



The Walkerton CWL would like to thank everyone who contributed in any way to the **CWL Craft and Bake Sale**. Also, Thank You to the ones who attended.

### THANK YOU FROM SACRED HEART

Thank you to all our volunteers at Sacred Heart Parishes, Walkerton & Mildmay. Your willingness to give your time and talents is greatly appreciated. Your continual support of our Parishes allows us to continue to fulfill our ministry and serve our Parishioners each year.

**THANK YOU & MERRY CHRISTMAS!**



**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.



**May the peace and joy that Christmas brings...always be with you and your family!  
Merry Christmas**

**Year End Charitable Donations:**

A big thank you to all our Parishioners who have so generously donated throughout this year. We greatly appreciate all of your support! If you wish to top up your charitable contributions for 2024 please do so by **December 30, 2024.**



Anything after that date will be entered for the year 2025. Thank you for your continual generosity!

**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!



**Sacred Heart Walkerton & Mildmay**



- Christmas Eve - December 24th**  
5:00 pm - Walkerton  
7:00 pm - Mildmay
- Christmas Day - December 25th**  
9:00 am - Mildmay  
11:00 am - Walkerton
- New Year's Eve - December 31st**  
5:00 pm - Walkerton
- New Year's Day - January 1st**  
9:00 am - Mildmay  
11:00 am - Walkerton

Thank you for your donations to Sacred Heart <b>WALKERTON.</b> Your contribution is greatly appreciated as we seek to encourage all with God's Love and Word!	
<b>Sunday Offerings.....</b>	<b>\$2,390.00</b>
<b>Building Fund.....</b>	<b>\$2,020.00</b>
<b>Christmas .....</b>	<b>\$4,000.00</b>

Thank you for your donations to Sacred Heart <b>MILDMAY.</b> Your contribution is greatly appreciated as we seek to encourage all with God's Love and Word!	
<b>Sunday Offerings.....</b>	<b>\$1,371.00</b>
<b>Building Fund.....</b>	<b>\$9,077.00</b>
<b>Christmas.....</b>	<b>\$150.00</b>