

Sacred Heart Parish

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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
Office Administrator
Allan MacDonald
Bookkeeper

**Rev. Leszek
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

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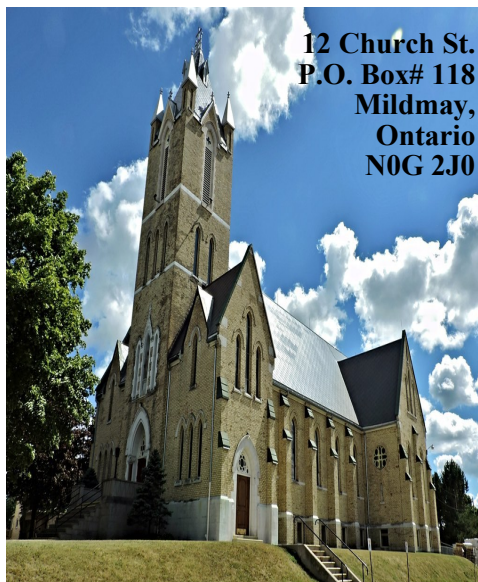
Mass Schedule

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



First Reading:
Micah 5.2-5a
Second Reading:
Hebrews 10.5-10
Gospel:
Luke 1.39-45

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SUNDAY LITURGIES

Saturday: 6:30 pm.

Sunday: 9:00 am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Wednesday & Thursday's 30
minutes before Mass
and Saturday's in Walkerton at 4pm

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& Friday
9:00 a.m. to 12 noon
& 1 p.m.- 2:30 pm

Roy Haskins
Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper

Fourth Sunday Of Advent December 22, 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.

Fourth Sunday Of Advent

MASS SCHEDULE FOR WALKERTON

December 23-29, 2024

Tues. Dec. 24 The Nativity of the Lord
5:00 p.m.

Intention of Sarah MacDougall

req by: Steph & Al



Wed. Dec. 25 The Nativity of the Lord
11:00 a.m.

For the great benefactors of our Sacred Heart Parishes

Fri. Dec. 27

9:00 a.m.

+Jim Kroepin

req by: Joan & Family

Sat. Dec. 28

5:00 p.m.

+Skip & Rita Eckensweiler

req by: Bob & Bev Eckensweiler & Family

Sun. Dec. 29 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

11:00 a.m.

+Jim Kroepin

req by: Joan & Family

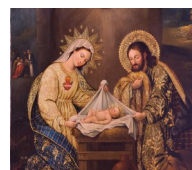
MASS SCHEDULE FOR MILD MAY

December 23-29, 2024

Tues. Dec. 24 The Nativity of the Lord
7:00 p.m.

+Kirk Huber

req by: His Family



Wed. Dec. 25 The Nativity of the Lord
9:00 a.m.

+Sylvester & Helen Fortney & deceased family members

req by: The Fortney Family

Thurs. Dec. 26

9:00 a.m.

+Gerard & Camilla Lorentz

req by: The Estate

Sat. Dec. 28

6:30 p.m.

For the intentions of our Parish and its Benefactors

Sun. Dec. 29 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

9:00 a.m.

+Irene Kieffer

req by: Lorne & Family

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Are you called to follow in the footsteps of Mary as a priest, deacon or religious to carry the Good News of God's great Love? Contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. Email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com



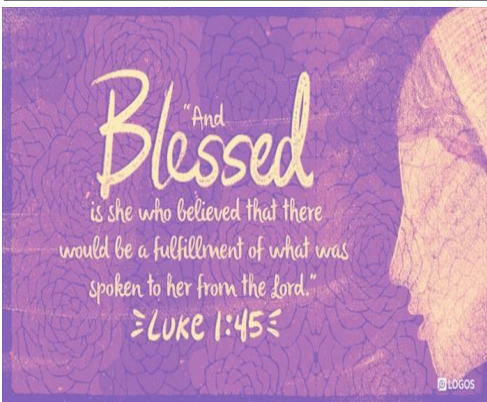
In Deepest Sympathy

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



Codey Stauffer, Keith Hickling, Sister Celeste Swan, S.S.N.D., Lyall Warren & Verna Cormack

May God grant them eternal rest.



The Parish Offices will be CLOSED on December 24th at 12 noon and will reopening with regular office hours on December 27 & December 30th. Offices will be CLOSED December 31st at 12 noon and reopen on January 2nd. Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

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. 23-28, 2024** we pray for:

- Dec. 23....Rev. Jerek Scherber, L.C.
- Dec. 24....Rev. Adam Zettel, L.C.
- Dec. 25....Christmas Day-The Nativity Of The Lord
- Dec. 26....Rev. Jerry Punnassery, C.M.I.
- Dec. 27....Rev. Rijo Jose, C.M.I.
- Dec. 29....The Holy Innocents



COME HOME for Christmas

For Mass times and more visit hamiltondiocese.com

Sacred Heart Walkerton & Mildmay

New Year's Eve -
December 31st
5:00 pm - Walkerton

New Year's Day -
January 1st
9:00 am - Mildmay
11:00 am - Walkerton

Fourth Sunday of Advent



"Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled." - Luke 1:45

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, 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.

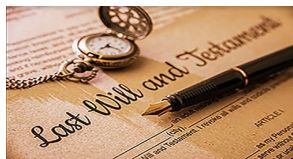


Mildmay CWL News:
CWL Memberships are due. The cost is \$40.00 a member and can be dropped in the collection basket at mass.

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.

The Operation Christmas Child

Hanover and Area Team was thrilled to see the successful loading of over 6000 shoebox gifts from Grey, Bruce, Wellington, Huron, Perth, and Dufferin Counties. Your gifts of love travelled to Mississauga, and from there, will begin their journey to Calgary for processing. Then gifts will be organized into shipments for needy boys and girls in Canada's receiving countries in Central America, West Africa, Ukraine and Philippines. Thank you so much for your generous support!



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.

Merry Christmas from your CWL

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 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!

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!



Social Justice Committee would like to THANK everyone who did up Christmas Cards for our friends at Maple Court Villa and Brucelea Haven. Approximately 175 cards were delivered. A special thanks to Sacred Heart School Mildmay, for the handmade cards for the seniors.

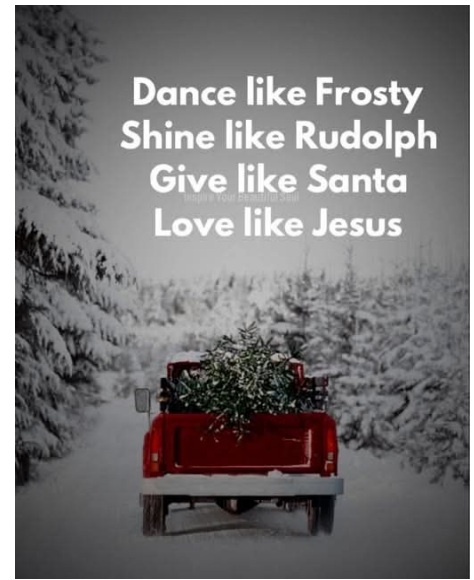


The month of December is dedicated to the Immaculate Conception. The first days of December fall during the liturgical season known as of Advent and are represented by the liturgical color purple — a symbol of penance, mortification and the sorrow of a contrite heart. The remaining days of December mark 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 you have a blessed Christmas season and may the gift of faith, the blessing of hope and the peace of his love be yours.



The Angels announced **HIS** coming:
The star revealed the place,
and **JESUS** came into the world to give amazing grace.
Praying for the grace and joy of **CHRIST** to fill your **HEARTS**.
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!



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.....\$4,905.15
Building Fund.....\$5,030.00
Christmas Flowers & Décor.....\$65.00

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.....\$2,355.00
Building Fund.....\$2,530.00