

# 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

## Sacred Heart Parish, Mildmay

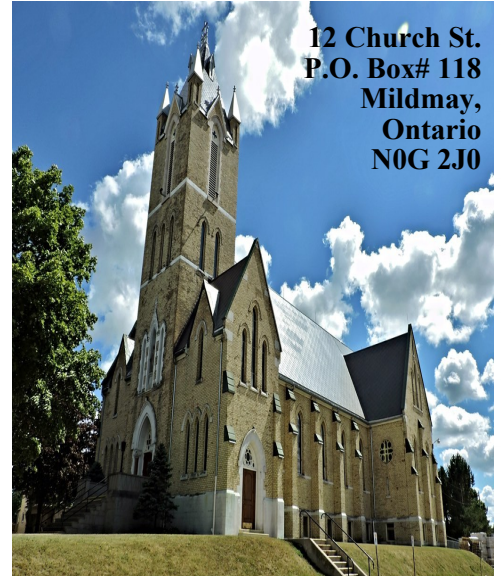
### Mass Schedule

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



**First Reading:**  
Baruch 5.1-9  
**Second Reading:**  
Philippians 1.3-6. 8-11  
**Gospel:**  
Luke 3.1-6

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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

## Second Sunday Of Advent December 8, 2024

### Diocesan Newsletter

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# Second Sunday Of Advent

## MASS SCHEDULE FOR WALKERTON

December 10-15, 2024

**Tues. Dec. 10**

9:00 a.m.

+Francis Lang

*req by:* Carl & Patrica Goll

**Fri. Dec. 13**

10:30 a.m.

+Mary Lambertus

**PLEASE NOTE MASS TIME CHANGE**

Parish Mass with St. Teresa of Calcutta

*req by:* Murray & Sue Gross

**Sat. Dec. 14**

5:00 p.m.

+Jerome & Dennis Regier

*req by:* Catherine & Family

**Sun. Dec. 15**

11:00 a.m.

+Tim Lippert

Third Sunday Of Advent

*req by:* Connie & Randy Weber



## MASS SCHEDULE FOR MILD MAY

December 10-15, 2024

**Wed. Dec. 11**

9:30 a.m.

+Ron & Marjorie Schmalz

*req by:* The Family

**Thurs. Dec. 12**

9:00 a.m.

+Irene Kieffer

*req by:* Gord & Fran Borth

**Sat. Dec. 14**

6:30 p.m.

For the intentions of our Parish and its Benefactors

**Sun. Dec. 15**

9:00 a.m.

+Gerard & Camilla Lorentz

*req by:* The Estate



### Second Sunday of Advent

Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother, or sister to help our world of today to truly "prepare the way of the Lord"? Contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

Email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)



### In Deepest Sympathy

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



**Bert Stroeder, Carol Barclay, Richard Berberich, Randy Rier & Suzanne Jones**

May God grant them eternal rest.



And all flesh shall see the salvation of God.  
-Luke 3:6 KJV

“Advent: the time to listen for footsteps – you can’t hear footsteps when you’re running yourself.”

– Bill McKibben

### 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. 9-14, 2024** we pray for:

Dec. 9...The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Dec. 10...Rev. Lawrence Parent

Dec. 11...Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (C.Ss.R)

Dec. 12...National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples

Dec. 13...Rev. John Ha

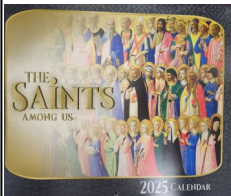
Dec. 14...Rev. Robert Kavelj, O.F.M.



Peace  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent



### 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.

**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



### Thank You

The Walkerton & District Optimist Club would like to thank

everyone who donated to the Angel Tree.

Your generosity to this worthwhile cause is greatly appreciated. Merry Christmas to you all!

### 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 December 15th. Thank you.



**PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH** December is an exciting month for children and families with the coming of Christmas. December is also the month we prepare for Christmas during Advent! Advent, by definition, means we are preparing for something important, which is the coming of Jesus Christ. Celebrating with an Advent wreath allows us to light a candle each week, offering a chance to discuss, on four occasions, what Christ's coming to the world means to all of us. The candles (hope, faith, joy and peace) open up the opportunity to remind our children what each candle represents and, of course, the real meaning of the season. Santa comes one night per year, but Jesus is with us always and is a true gift in our lives. This Advent, remember to make Christ the reason for the season.



**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.



**Father**, as we journey down this Advent road, we relight the candle of hope, and we light the candle of peace. Grant us the courage to make peace: peace in our hearts, peace in our homes, and peace in our communities.



**Knight of Columbus SUNDAY BREAKFAST**  
**December 8th 10 am—1 pm**  
 K of C Hall between Walkerton /Mildmay  
 Adults \$14 Children (5-10) \$6 Children under 4 Free  
 Full Buffet breakfast. Everyone Welcome!  
 Santa is planning on stopping by!



**Sacred Heart Parish Senior Card Party**  
 Progressive Euchre & Solo Card Games,  
 every Thursday  
 in the Church Hall from  
 1:30 - 4:00 pm.  
 Everyone is welcome!



**Sacred Heart Parishes,**

**Walkerton**

**Christmas Eve Mass**  
 Tues. Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>  
 5:00 pm

**Christmas Day Mass**  
 Wed. Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>  
 11:00 am

**New Years Eve**  
 Tues. Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>  
 5:00 pm

**New Years Day**  
 Wed. Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>  
 11:00 am

**Mildmay**

**Christmas Eve Mass**  
 Tues. Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>  
 7:00 pm

**Christmas Day Mass**  
 Wed. Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>  
 9:00 am

**New Years Day**  
 Wed. Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>  
 9:00 am

**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!

<b>Sunday Offerings.....</b>	<b>\$3,070.80</b>
<b>Building Fund.....</b>	<b>\$1,700.00</b>
<b>Christmas Decor/Flower.....</b>	<b>\$345.00</b>

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!

<b>Sunday Offerings.....</b>	<b>\$1,290.05</b>
<b>Building Fund.....</b>	<b>\$1,589.50</b>