



Monday, November 27

8:00a.m. John & Mary Dore

Tuesday, November 28

7:00p.m. John Farrell Robert Mullen
Matilde De Luca Salvatore De Luca
Catherine Bountrogiannis Michael Gatt
Marguerite & Garnet Duffy
Intentions of Candia Fletcher

Wednesday, November 29

8:00a.m. Thomas & Veronica McGann

Thursday, November 30

St. Andrew, Apostle

8:00a.m. MaryAnn Jane

Friday, December 1

8:00a.m. Olga & Saleem Gedeon

Saturday, December 2

9:00a.m. Intentions of Matthew Gunnarson

5:00p.m. Lucio Cocca Stjepan Djumlin
James Murphy Millie McAllister

**Diocesan Prayer Calendar
Weeks of the November 26th, 2017**

This week we especially pray for:

Monday Rev. Aurimas Rudinskas, O.P.
Tuesday Rev. Bradley Markus
Wednesday Lay Parish Ministers
Thursday Rev. Jeff Bergsma
Friday Rev. Paul Boucher
Saturday Rev. Donald Wilhelm

Loving Father, bless Your Church with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers and sisters. Give those whom You are calling to the married state and those You are choosing to live as single persons in the world the special graces that their lives require. Form us all in the likeness of Your Son so that through Him, with Him, and in Him, we may love You more deeply and serve You more faithfully. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Advent Service

Sunday, December 3rd at 7:00pm

The weeks before Christmas are usually a hurried time of shopping, preparations, and card writing. For Christians, however, these weeks should be marked by prayerful preparation for the Feast of Christmas. Plan to attend our Annual Advent Service. This year's service will take a different format from previous years. The evening will be rich with readings from Sacred Scripture and beautiful musical selections from The Messiah by Georg Friedrich Handel. This service will be a reflection on the Season of Advent through Scripture, song, and Christian fellowship. Once again we are pleased to welcome our fellow Christians from St. John's Anglican Church, Ancaster Village Church, and other congregations in town. You are welcome to invite any friends and relatives you like. As always, the service will be followed by seasonal refreshments and Christian fellowship. Please plan to begin the Season of Advent with this prayerful evening of Scripture and song.

Young People's Hour with Jesus

All young Parishioners between grade seven and university are invited to begin the Advent Season, by spending an hour with Jesus, and then an hour with one another. Join us after the 5:00pm Mass on Saturday, December 2, and spend an Hour with Jesus. As we enter into the Advent Season, Jesus invites us to Come to Him, and allow Him to warm our hearts. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the Altar for a time of prayer with Praise Music, Scripture, and Quiet Time with the Lord. After Adoration stick around and have dinner together in the Parish Hall. If you are planning to come please call the Parish office, or e-mail Fr. Ian so that we know how many to expect for dinner. We will be finished by 8:00pm.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

All children ages 5 + are invited to join us as we present the **Christmas Story** prior to the 5pm Mass on Christmas Eve. Children and parents are invited to join us on **Sunday, December 3rd following the 12pm Mass**. Rehearsal dates will be announced. The pageant will be presented prior to the 5:00 pm Mass on Christmas Eve. If you have any questions please contact David at the parish office or by email at ddayler@st-anns-ancaster.com

**Catholic Meet-Up:
"Serve! Ping Pong Bar & Lounge"**

For young adult Catholics (19-39). Saturday, Dec. 2nd 2017 at 5pm at Serve! Ping Pong Bar and Lounge (105-115 King St E., Hamilton, ON. 2nd Floor). Come out, meet & connect with other young Catholics over some food and ping pong! For more info contact jpeter@hamiltondiocese.com or check out 'Hamilton Catholic Young Adults' on Facebook.

**THANK-YOU FROM THE
PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY GROUP**

The prayer Shawl Ministry would like to take this opportunity to thank parishioners for their generous support of our Sale. Funds were raised that will be used to fund our ministry, and sponsor numerous charitable programs both here at home and abroad. Parishioners are reminded that shawls are available for distribution – please contact David or any member of the Ministry for assistance.



THE BOOK OF LIFE

Throughout November, the month of the faithful departed, we will pray at each Mass for those whose names are recorded in our Book of Life. We encourage you to write the names of your deceased family members and friends in the book. The Book of Life is located next to the Baptismal Font.



Eucharistic Adoration

This Advent, there will be Eucharistic adoration in the side chapel (Our Ladies Chapel) of St. Ann Parish, each week from Monday morning until Saturday morning.

There's no better way to prepare for the coming of our Lord than by spending quiet time with Him in prayer. For more information, please call the parish office at 905-648-6874.

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Advent Charity Fair

Saturday December 2nd and Sunday December 3rd, 2017

Once again this year we will avoid having every Sunday of November and December packed with one thing after another being sold, or given away in the Narthex or the Parish Hall. We will have our Annual **Advent Charity Fair** after all the weekend Masses on the First Sunday of Advent, **December 2nd and 3rd, 2017**. Come on into the Parish Hall after Mass, enjoy a hot chocolate or a cider, some cookies, and give to any of various charities that will be present.

Religious Articles Sale for the month of December
Knights of Columbus Keep Christ in Christmas Car Magnets

Christmas Cakes for the Pro-Life cause (Advent is a wonderful time to support the Right to Life!)

Neighbour To Neighbour Christmas Tree (Bring Your Gift or Gift Card)

Ancaster Community Services Christmas Tree (Bring Your Gift or Gift Card)

DREAMS Team taking donations for medical supplies for the Dominican Republic

Canadian Food for Children Christmas Shoe Box Campaign

Healing Mass

You are invited to a Healing Mass for Those Mourning the Loss of a Child – Losing a child is a painful and life-altering experience for parents, grandparents and other family members. The feeling of loss, regardless of the amount of time that has passed, is often more profound during the Christmas season. A Diocesan Healing Mass, meant to bring hope to all those trying to cope with such grief, is planned at the **Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King for Sunday, December 3rd, 2017 at 4pm**. If you have lost a child of any age from any cause, including those that have lost a child prior to birth, or who have had a still birth are invited to this Mass celebrated by **Bishop Douglas Crosby**. **God is close to those who mourn, come and experience His healing presence**. Registration is encouraged. Please call Lena at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or at www.hamiltondiocese.com.