

Epiphany of the Lord

January 3-4, 2026

Sacrament of Baptism
The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month at 11:00 am, for registered parishioners.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Every Thursday, at 6:00 pm, or by appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage
For registered parishioners. Please contact the office at least one year in advance of your preferred date.

RCIA is the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
The RCIA provides spiritual and catechetical formation for those seeking entry into the catholic church. Please contact the office for further information.

Anointing and Pastoral Care
Available for our faith community. Please contact the office to arrange for anointing of the sick, or to receive Holy Communion outside of church.

Adoration
Every Thursday at 7:30 pm, following Mass.

The Church Offering Report
Published weekly, in the bulletin. Offertory envelopes can be dropped off in the parish mailbox. Please call the office to pick up your Church envelopes.

Pre-Authorized Giving
The withdrawal is on the 15th of every month.

Parish School
St Anne Elementary School: 519-745-7847

Mass Times

Monday	8:00 am
Tuesday	8:00 am
Wednesday	8:00 am
Thursday	6:00 pm *Confession*
	7:00 pm *Mass*
	7:30 pm *Adoration*
Friday	8:00 am
Saturday	4:00 pm
Sunday	9:30 am
	2:00 pm *Vietnamese Martyrs Community*

Welcome to
St. Anne Parish

We hope you will find prayerful and spiritual support during your time with us. If you plan to attend regularly, we encourage you to register with our parish.

Registration forms are available at the church entrances and will help simplify processes for pastoral references and sacramental preparations.

If you are just visiting, thank you for joining us. We look forward to seeing you again!

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THIS WEEK WE CELEBRATE

Epiphany of the Lord

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come.

Liturgical Readings

1) Isaiah 60:1-6 *Arise, shine, for your light has come.*
2) Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 *We are now sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel.*
3) Matthew 2:1-12 T*hey saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt and paid him homage.*

FOCUS: Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

The Magi undertook an arduous journey to see Jesus. For us, sometimes even a short trip to Mass can feel like a challenge. Yet the God who set the stars in in the sky desires an intimate relationship with each of us. This year is a good time to renew our commitment to grow closer to God. A star revealed Jesus' birth to the Magi; let us ask God to reveal Himself to us today.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading Isaiah speaks of the divine glory of Jerusalem. People will come bearing gold and frankincense. In the second reading, Paul writes that the Gentiles are coheirs and copartners in the Body of Christ. The Gospel from Matthew relates the visit of the Magi. They rejoice and offer gifts to the infant Jesus.

VOCATION CORNER

"On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary, His mother; and they knelt down and paid Him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ's name? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister, please contact:

Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations Email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com
Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 Visit: hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/



THANK YOU from Father Luca and Father Brian



We would like to thank you for all the cards, gifts, well wishes and homemade goodies we received this Christmas season. We would also like to acknowledge the amazing examples of generosity, charity and faith we witnessed in our community. There are many people who came together and volunteered their time to make the celebration of the Lord's Nativity so special in our church. We are truly blessed. May God fill your lives with love, joy and peace throughout this New Year.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Families with children who are planning on receiving Sacraments are reminded of the upcoming sessions and important dates.



First Holy Communion: The final catechetical meeting will take place on **Sunday, January 25** following the 9:30 am Mass. It is important for children **AND** parents/caregivers to attend this meeting. The celebration of the First Eucharist will be on Sunday, February 8 at 11:00 am.



Confirmation: If you have not registered your child for the Sacrament of Confirmation, please fill out the form, which can be found on the website, picked up at the main church entrance, or can be emailed to you (contact the office). If your child was not baptised at St Anne Church, you will need to include a copy of their baptismal certificate. The first information session is for the candidates **AND** the parents/caregivers, and is on **Sunday, February 22**, following the 9:30 am Mass.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE MEETING JANUARY 5

The social committee will be meeting on **Monday, January 5** at 7:00 pm in the church hall. The next meeting will be on Monday, February 2.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



We are welcoming volunteers on **Thursday, January 8, at 9:00 am** to come and help take down the Christmas decorations, lights, creche and trees. Many hands make light work! Also, we ask you to prayerfully consider how you can give some of your time and talents to your community. There are many ministries at St Anne where you can make a difference! Altar Servers (Youth & Adult), Music Ministry, St Vincent de Paul, Social Committee, Ministers of the Word, Eucharistic Ministers, Hospitality (Ushers), Children's Liturgy… . **"We ourselves feel that what we are doing is just a drop in the ocean. But the ocean would be less because of that missing drop**", *Mother Teresa*. Contact the office to let us know.

PRO-LIFE VIGIL

The next Pro-Life Prayer Vigil will be on **Thursday, January 8**, from 10:00-11:00 am, opposite Freeport Hospital, (3570 King St. E., Kitchener). All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own. Parking is across the road at Schneider Park. If you have any questions, please contact Cathy, cmlamers@rogers.com. The next prayer vigils will be on February 5, March 5 and April 2.

COFFEE SUNDAY



We look forward to welcoming everyone to the first Coffee Sunday of the new year on **Sunday, January 18** in the Church hall after Mass.

BOXED OFFERTORY ENVELOPES 2026

If you are unable to pick up your boxed offertory envelopes, please call the office to make arrangements to get them. If you no longer wish to use envelopes, or would like to switch to Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG), please contact the office. PAG forms are also available at the church entrances, and can be dropped off in the collection basket or the mailbox.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT FOR CHRISTMAS AND WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 27/28 – THANK YOU!

We are grateful to all who contribute their time, talent, and treasure to support our parish community and our mission.

Christmas Envelopes	Christmas Loose	Regular Envelopes	Loose	Building	Chocolate Fundraiser	In Memory
$4,173.75	$1,800.00	$2,545.00	$245.00	$90.00	$349.00	$10

Mass Intentions and Diocesan Prayer Calendar for January 5-11, 2026

Mass Intentions are a great treasure of the Church and have immense spiritual value. If you would like to request a Mass Intention for someone (living or deceased), please contact the parish office.

	Mass Intentions	Liturgical calendar	Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar
Monday, January 5 **8:00 am**	† Erika Kompter † Manuel & Maria Novo	1 John 3:22-4:6 Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25	Rev. Mark Morley
Tuesday, January 6 **8:00 am**	† Lillian Lessard	1 John 4:7-10 Mark 6:34-44	Rev. Peter Tuyen Nguyen
Wednesday, January 7 **8:00 am**	**Int of** those living with cancer	**Memorial of St André Bessette** 1 John 4:11-18 Mark 6:45-52	Diocesan Priests
Thursday, January 8 **7:00 pm** *followed by Adoration*	† Wilbert Wilhelm	**St Raymond of Penyafort** 1 John 4:19-5:4 Luke 4:14-22a	Rev. Pierre Luc, S.J.
Friday, January 9 **8:00 am**	**Int of** Luiza & Rolando Carvalho	1 John 5:5-13 Luke 5:12-16	Rev. Pawel Stankiewicz
Saturday, January 10 **4:00 pm**	† Jose De Sousa	**Sunday: Feast of the Baptism of the Lord** Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7 Acts 10:34-38 Matthew 3:13-17	Rev. Raymond Reitzel, C.R.
Sunday, January 11 **9:30 am**	**Int of** all Parishioners		**Baptism of the Lord**

Please consider volunteering your talents! The following Ministries and Parish Organizations would warmly welcome you! Please contact the office for more information.

- Altar Serving
- A.R. Goudie visitor
- St Vincent de Paul
- Social Committee
- Ministers of the Word
- Music Ministry
- Ministers of the Eucharist
- Hospitality Ministers
- Children's Liturgy
- Rosary Prayer Group
- Funeral Lunch Committee

St Anne Parish is entrusted to the pastoral care of the Comboni Missionaries of the Heart of Jesus.
519-744-4680 / combonimissionaries.org

For 150 years, the Comboni Missionaries have traveled to nearly every corner of the world, sharing the good news of Christ and working to protect the dignity of all people. Founded in 1867 by St. Daniel Comboni, the Comboni Missionaries are an international Catholic organization dedicated to ministering to the world's poorest and most marginalized people, often working in unstable political climates amid extreme poverty. Despite these challenges, our missionaries are dedicated to their mission of serving God's people.