

# SACRED HEART PARISH

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## *CLERGY*

Father Wieslaw Berdowicz S.Chr., Pastor



*Oh Come  
Let us Adore Him*



**Sunday 12-25 THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD-CHRISTMAS**

10:00a.m. For living and deceased Parishioners  
 12:00 p.m. O Boze bogoslawnienstwo i potrzebne laski dla Ewy Betleja  
 7:00 p.m. **NO EVENING MASS**

**Monday 12-26**

8:15 a.m. +Angelo Bolzon  
 10:00a.m. +++Weronika, Wojciech, Jozef Rusin  
 +Eugeniusz Panek, + Ania Rzeznik

**Tuesday 12-27**

7:00p.m. +Sybren Reitsma

**Wednesday 12-28**

8:15a.m. 1.) +Castellarin Family, Romano Cristante  
 2.) God's blessings and all necessary graces for Liz & Clay Wittneyer on their 20<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary \

**Thursday 12-29**

7:00p.m. 1.) +Enzo Miotto  
 2.) +Anna Maria Castellarin

**Friday 12-30**

8:15 a.m. +Castellarin Family, +Romano Cristante  
 7:00p.m. +Grzegorz Potepski

**Saturday 12-31**

8:15a.m. In thanksgiving for graces received from Cecula, Lomnicki, Betleja Families  
 7:00p.m. ++Danuta, Zofia Dolba

**NEXT SUNDAY**

**Sunday 01-01**

10:00a.m. +Castellarin Family, +Romano Cristante  
 12:00 p.m. Elzbieta & Jerzy Polaski, Rocznica Slubu  
 7:00 p.m. **NO EVENING MASS!**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SUNDAY COLLECTION: Dec. 11 \$ 2, 335.00**  
**Loose Collection: \$ 556.15**  
**Flowers: \$ 153.00**

**THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS!**

**LITURGICAL SERVERS**

**Saturday 12-24 7:00 p.m. –altar servers**

- Lector: A.Percic  
 - E.O.M: M.Trent  
 - Ushers: M.Veroni, T.Pellizzari, S.Phan, L.Tonin

**Saturday 12-24 10:00 p.m. –ministranci:**

- Lektory:E.Rutkowska/B.Stankiewicz  
 - Kolektorzy: W.Rzeznik/M.Babol/T.Wrzalka

**Sunday 12-25 12:00 a.m - altar servers:**

-Lector: M.Hoffbauer  
 - E. O. M.  
 - Ushers:

**Sunday 12-25 10:00 a.m - altar servers:**

-Lector:C.Maiocco  
 - E. O. M. A.M. Maiocco/P. Stradiotto  
 - Ushers:L.DiReto, R. Saretta, T.Gobbi, M.Veroni

**Sunday 12-25 12:00 p.m. - ministranci:**

- Lektorzy: A.Mocarska/M.Perschke  
 - Kolektorzy:B.Gonczar/T.Brod/S.Dobron

**THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD-CHRISTMAS  
 DECEMBER 25, 2022**

We celebrate the birth of our Lord into our world; however, many have not received the birth of our Lord into their hearts. If Christ lives in your heart and you would like to help others discover the Lord, you may be called to be a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister, or a consecrated virgin. Contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

[vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com) [hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/)

**WHAT IS THE ORIGIN OF THE NATIVITY SCENE (CRECHE)?**



The story of the origin of the Christmas creche rests with the very holy man, St. Francis of Assisi. In the year 1223, St. Francis, a

deacon, was visiting the town of Greccio to celebrate Christmas. Greccio was a small town built on a mountainside overlooking a beautiful valley. The people had cultivated the fertile area with vineyards. St. Francis realized that the chapel of the Franciscan hermitage would be too small to hold the congregation for Midnight Mass. So he found a niche in the rock near the town square and set up the altar. However, this Midnight Mass would be very special, unlike any other Midnight Mass. Although the story is long old, the message is clear for us. Our own Nativity scenes which rest under our Christmas trees are a visible reminder of that night when our Savior was born. May we never forget to see in our hearts the little Babe of Bethlehem, who came to save us from sin. We must never forget that the wood of the manger that held Him so securely would one day give way to the wood of the cross. May we too embrace Him with all of our love as did St. Francis

**IN THE NEXT WEEK IN THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON WE  
 PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PRIESTS**

**Monday 12-26** - Feast of the Holy Family  
**Tuesday 12-27** - Rev. Jerry Punnassery, C.M.I.  
**Wednesday 12-28** - Congregation of the Sisters of St. Anne (s.s.a.)  
**Thursday 12-29**-Rev. Nishil Varghese, C.M.I.  
**Friday 12-30** - Rev. Peter Nwachukwu, O.C.D.  
**Saturday 12-31** - Very Rev. Cornelius O'Mahony, E.V.

**DECEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Sunday 25** – The Nativity of the Lord, CHRISTMAS DAY  
**Monday 26** – Saint Stephen, The First Martyr  
**Tuesday 27**- Saint John the Apostle & Evangelist, Feast  
**Wednesday 28** – The Holy Innocents, Martyrs  
**Thursday 29** – Saint Thomas Becket, Bishop & Martyr  
**Friday 30** – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph  
**Saturday 31** – Saint Sylvester I, Pope Opt. Mem; New Year's Eve

**MASS SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S DAY**

**Saturday, December 31, 2022 \*\*\* Sunday, January 1, 2023**  
 8:15am- Morning Mass **Solemnity of Mary, the Holy**  
 7pm- Mass (English) **Mother of God**  
 10:00am – Mass  
 12:00pm – Mass (Polish)

**PARISH OPLATEK - CONVIVAL GATHERING**

Sunday, January 22nd, 2023 – 1:00am-4:00pm in the school gym. We invite the Parish Community to join in Sharing of Oplatek.

**TITLE – KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION AT WELLINGTON CATHOLIC DSB**

The Wellington Catholic District School Board will be accepting new registrations for kindergarten at our schools beginning January 9, 2023.

To be eligible for registering in kindergarten, children;

- must be four years of age on or before December 31, 2023 to attend Junior (Year 1) Kindergarten
- must be five years of age on or before December 31, 2023 to attend Senior (Year 2) Kindergarten

During the registration process, school administration is available to assist you with any questions you may have. To assist administrators with registering your child for kindergarten, we ask that you have the following documents available;

- Child's Birth Certificate
- Parent Or Child's Baptismal Certificate
- Proof of Tax Support for Families New to the System (i.e. Most Recent Tax Bill)
- Proof of Address (Government Document, Mortgage or Rental Agreement, Hydro Bill, Credit Card Statement)
- Immigration Documentation (If Applicable)
- Custody Documents (If Applicable)

Please note:

- Students currently attending a Wellington Catholic Junior (Year 1) Kindergarten program are NOT REQUIRED to register for Senior (Year 2) Kindergarten.
- Should you have any questions about registration procedures or requirements, please contact your local Catholic school.

**WORLD DAY OF PEACE-JANUARY 1st**

The World Day of Peace was established by Pope Paul VI in 1968 who asked that "every year, this commemoration be repeated as a hope and as a promise, at the beginning of the calendar which measures and outlines the path of human life in time, that Peace with its just and beneficent equilibrium may dominate development of events to come". Each year has a specific theme, chosen by the Holy Father.

**PRAYER FOR PEACE**

Great and merciful God,  
Lord of peace and life,  
You have plans for peace, and not affliction.  
You condemn wars  
And defeat the pride of the violent.  
You sent your Son Jesus  
To preach peace to those near and far,  
To gather people of every race and nation  
Into a single family.  
Hear the single-hearted cry of all humanity: no more war,  
A spiral of death and violence,  
A threat against all your creatures in heaven,  
On the earth and in the sea.  
In communion with Mary, the Mother of Jesus,  
Once again, we implore you:  
Speak to the hearts of those responsible  
For the fate of peoples, stop the "logic" of revenge and  
retaliation, with your Spirit suggest new solution,  
Generous and honorable gestures,  
Room for dialogue and patient waiting which are more  
fruitful than the hurried deadline of war.

*John Paul II*

**CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS – CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF CHRIST THE KING, HAMILTON**

His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, will celebrate Christmas Midnight Mass on Sunday, December 25th at 12:00 a.m. The celebration will be livestreamed and can be accessed by visiting the Cathedral's website – [www.ctkbasilica.ca](http://www.ctkbasilica.ca).

**CHRISTMAS**

A stable, out in the open country, in the darkness of the world. Perhaps the gleam of a small lantern. Here is St. Joseph, the just man, chosen by God, here is the Mother of the newborn infant, radiant with joy at this surpassing miracle, and here is the Babe in the arms of the purest of creatures. He has been so long awaited, through untold ages. But He has come in the hour appointed by God Himself. He is tiny, and already subject to the harshest privations, and to suffering: but He is the Word of the Father, the Saviour of the world. The greater the poverty and simplicity, the greater the fascination and appeal of this Child. Around Him the world is stirring: they just have become aware that the great promise is about to be fulfilled. So the day of our redemption dawns, the day of reparation for what is past, for happiness for the eternal future. The shepherds draw near: they see and feel that peace, joy, and love flow out from this tiny Child. The history of twenty centuries begins in this stable, for the Child is in very truth the source of all things. Through Him, in fact, everything is renewed, death is overcome, sin is forgiven and Paradise restored. We feel new fervour of love when we pause in prayer before the Crib.

*Pope John XXIII*



**May the little wonders of Christmas fill  
your heart and home. May they bring  
peace and happiness throughout the  
New Year.**

***Have a Blessed Christmas and Happy New  
Year.***



the health of Maria Aramini, Baby Ava, Ellen Norrie, Virginia Everson

+ Brenda Veroni, +Paul Sankey, +Ned Furfaro, +Nicola Marchione,  
+ John Licari, +Ania Rzeznik, +Tadeusz, +Janina Majkutewicz;  
+Jozef Femiak, +Michal Rutyna, +Frank DiCicco,  
+Willam Kaine, +Anna Maria Castellarin, Rychard Boyle

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