

ST. AGATHA CHURCH BULLETIN

December 19th 2021

Fourth Sunday of Advent

	Fri Dec 24 7:00 pm	Fri Dec 24 10:00 pm	Sat Dec 25 11:00 am	Sun Dec 26 9:00 am	Sun Dec 26 11:00 am
Lector/Commentator:	Sharon F.	Andy D.	Carol L.	Janice M.	Sharon F.

At this time, lector/commentators are the only ministries being scheduled.

<u>Masses:</u>	Registration is required for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses.				
Fri, Dec 24	7:00 pm	For Our Parishioners			
	10:00 pm	Special Intention			
Sat, Dec 25	11:00 am	For those in whose memory the Memorial Flowers have been donated			
		Note: There is no 9 am or 7 pm Mass on Sat., December 25, Christmas Day			
Sun, Dec 26	9:00 am	For Our Parishioners			
	11:00 am	Deceased members of Gueguen & Freiburger families req by Dorothy G.			

WEEKLY COLLECTION: Total Last Week: \$935.00 (Including \$100 Christmas Flowers)

PREAUTHORIZED GIVING: Please pick up the pre-printed form at the back of the church, fill out and return by placing in the collection basket in a sealed envelope. Please ensure that you are a registered parishioner to enable tax receipt creation.

PARISH REGISTRATION: We encourage everyone who regularly attends St. Agatha parish to become a registered parishioner. Forms are located at the back of the church.

PARISH EMAIL & CONTACT INFORMATION:

We're currently updating our Parish Data System since many phone numbers & email addresses have changed in recent years. Please email the parish office at info@stagathachurch.ca with current contact information (phone numbers, email addresses as well as home addresses, if those have changed) so that we can update our parish records.

CHRISTMAS EVE & CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES:

Note: Because of the COVID-19 restrictions which limit capacity in the church, registration is required for Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Masses. Please call or email the parish office at 519-747-1212 or info@stagathachurch.ca to register for these Masses.

WELCOME!

We welcome with great joy a new member to our Community of Faith—Ethan Brandon Steinmann-Hill. Ethan received the Sacrament of Baptism last weekend.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY ENVELOPES are available at the back of the church. Please do not use the 2022 envelopes until the New Year. Any offerings made in 2022 collection envelopes cannot be deposited in 2021, and so they would not be on this year's tax receipt.

CONFIRMATION AND FIRST COMMUNION:

Please contact the parish office at info@stagathachurch.ca regarding sacramental preparation for your children who wish to receive the sacraments of Confirmation or First Communion in 2022. Sacramental preparation will be scheduled in the New Year.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Regular office hours are Tuesday & Thursday from 10am to 2pm. Due to COVID-19 regulations, the Parish Office is open by appointment only at this time.

Christmas Season Mass Schedule:

Christmas Eve: Friday, December 24 - 7 pm & 10 pm

Christmas Day: Saturday, December 25 - 11 am

Feast of the Holy Family (Note... there is NO Saturday 7 pm Mass):

Sunday, December 26 - 9 am & 11 am

The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God:

Friday, December 31 - 5 pm & Saturday, January 1 - 11 am

Feast of the Epiphany (Note... there is NO Saturday 7 pm Mass):

Sunday, January 2 - 9 am & 11 am

CWL NEWS: Our next meeting will be Feb 2 in the afternoon. Stay tuned for more details.

EVENSONG (Evening Prayer): hosted by *The Sodality of St. Edmund, King and Martyr* (a Catholic Community in the Diocese of Hamilton). **Sunday, December 26** (Last Sunday of each month) at 5 pm at Sacred Heart Church, 66 Shanley Street, Kitchener. For more info, email info@stedmund.ca

CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS-CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST THE KING, HAMILTON

His Excellency, Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, will celebrate Midnight Mass on December 25, 2021. The Mass will be preceded by Carols at 11:30 pm on December 24. The Carols and the Mass will be shown live on Salt + Light Television and CHCH-TV. Admittance to the Cathedral for Midnight Mass is by ticket only - a limited number of tickets are still available by contacting the Cathedral at 905-522-5744.

SERRA CLUBS "VOCATION SEEDS": Fourth Sunday of Advent-December 19, 2021

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 Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton (905-528-7988).

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com website info: www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations

UNIVERSITY CHAPLAINCY IN THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON:

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis has produced a video showcasing the wonderful ministry of our Diocesan University Chaplaincy Centres. Do share this video with a young person in your life who may be preparing for post-secondary education, or someone who is looking for a faith community on campus within the Diocese. Special thanks to the Priests, Chaplains, campus ministers and students who helped make this project possible. To view the video visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/evangelization-catechesis/young-adult-ministry>