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CLERGY

Father Wieslaw Berdowicz S.Chr., Pastor

Epiphany of the Lord



We have come to Homage Him.



Sunday 01-05

10:00a.m. +Castellarin Family; +Romano Cristante

12:00 p.m. +Henryk Mieczkowski 7:00 p.m. ++Enzo & Adelio Miotto

Monday 01-06

8:15 a.m. +Joseph Finnigan

Tuesday 01-07

7:00p.m ++Natalina & Cosmo Maugeri

+Yolanda Maugeri-Hall

Wednesday 01-08

8:15a.m. 1.) ++Annunziato & Vincenza Furfaro

(from Stella Beltrame)

Thursday 01-09

7:00p.m. 1.) Debra Bucek, God's blessings

2.) In thanksgiving to God to help in Family problems and God's blessings

Friday 01-10

8:15a.m. +Amelia Stradiotto

7:00p.m. 1.) O zdrowie i potrzebne laski dla

Magdalena & Jessica Jones

2.) +Janina Bialek, 15 rocznica smierci

3.) +Jozef Winiarczyk

O zdrowie i potrzebne laski dla Roberta

Saturday 01-11

8:15a.m. +Catherina Jane Flachs 7:00p.m. For Parishioners

LITURGICAL SERVERS

Saturday 01-04 7:00 p.m. –altar servers

-Lector: F. Ogunbi

- Usher: T. Marshall

Sunday 01-05 10:00 a.m. - altar servers:

-Lector: A. Sanvido

- E. O. M. A.M. Maiocco/P. Stradiotto

- Ushers: R. Saretta, T. Heart, P.L Ndemanii

<u>Sunday 01-05</u> 12:00. p.m. - ministranci:

- Lektorzy: E. Rutkowska/A. Stankiewicz

- Kolektorzy: W. Rzeznik/M. Babol/T. Wrzalka

Sunday 01-05 7:00p.m. - altar servers:

-Lector: P. Grierson

- E. O. M.: M. Trent

NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday 01-12

10:00a.m. +Amelia Stradiotto

12:00 p.m. +++Karolina, Antoni, Jozef Kurpiel

+Maria Gorlicka; + Stanislaw Chryc

7:00 p.m. +++Foska, Jure, Milan Percic

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

Monday 01-06-Rev. Joseph Ahilan, C.R.S.P.

Tuesday 01-07-Rev. Benedict T. Insigne, C.R.S.P.

Wednesday 01-08- Diocesan Priests

Thursday 01-09- Rev. Louis Lenssen, C.R.S.P.

Friday 01-10-Rev. David Avila. Saturday 01-11- Married Couples

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY COLLECTION: Dec 29 \$ 2, 935.00
Loose Collection: \$ 455.25
Christmas Collection: \$ 5, 016.25
Loose Christmas Collection: \$ 1, 641.95
Christmas Flowers; \$ 30.00
Candles: \$ 528.45

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS!

EPHIPHANY OF THE LORD – JANUARY 5, 2025

"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, religious or deacon contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

vocations@hamiltondiocese.com hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

JANUARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday 05 – The Epiphany of the Lord

Monday 06- St. Andre Bessette

Tuesday 07 -St. Raymond of Penafor, Priest

Sunday 12 – Baptism of the Lord



The Magi of the East prostrated themselves and did Him homage . . . they opened their coffers and presented Him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. In Christ the Magi recognized that definitive Gift which the Eternal Father makes to man. The gift of his Son, the gift of the Eternal Son. Through this gift, man rediscovers the epiphany of the Living God and bears it within himself. The Eternal Son has given mankind the power to "become children of God." He has given this power as a Brother to brethren. He has revealed and continually reveals the Father in those whom "the Father has given Him for an inheritance. Man, who bears the epiphany of the Living God in himself lives a new life. He knows that he has to produce fruit. He knows that he must respond to the Gift with a gift. Therefore, do everything that you can so that the people to whom you are sent may believe that they are epiphany of the Living God. Do all you can that they may respond with a gift for the Gift, that they may bring gifts of gold, incense and myrrh. Pope John Paul II

PARISH OPŁATEK - CONVIVAL GATHERING



Sunday, January 19th, 20205– 11:00am-4:00pm in the school gym. We invite the Parish Community to join in Sharing of Opłatek IF YOU

CAN CONTRIBUTE A HOMEMADE DISH OF FOOD, IT WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED. THANK YOU!

JANUARY 5, 2025 - EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

THE BREAKING OF THE OPLATEK

One of the most beautiful and most revered Polish customs is the "breaking of the oplatek." The use of the Christmas wafer (oplatek) is practiced not only by native Poles in Poland, but by people all over the world whose ancestors came from Poland. The "oplatek" is a thin wafer, made of flour and water.

On Christmas eve, the whole family gathers and waits impatiently for the appearance of the first star. With its first gleam, they all approach a table covered with hay and a snow-white tablecloth. A vacant chair and a place setting is reserved for the unexpected guest. The father or eldest member of the family reaches for the wafer, breaks it in half and gives one half to the mother. Then each of them breaks a small part of each other's piece and, after a warm kiss, they wish each other long life, good health, joy and happiness, not only for the holiday season, but for the coming year and for many years to come. Now the same ceremony is repeated between father and their children, as well as among the children, then, with relatives and even strangers, if they happen to be present. The ceremony is over, they all sit down to a tasty, though meatless supper, after which they sing kolendy (Christmas carols and pastorals) until the time for Midnight Mass, also known as "Pasterka." Sometimes, the oplatek is sent, in a greeting card, to loved ones away from home.

2025 SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES



We thank those who have picked up their 2025 envelopes. A reminder that if you haven't done so, please pick up your envelopes at the church entrance. To make sure that your donation is posted to your name accurately, we

appreciate that you indicate your name outside the envelope on the first month of January2025. Also, if you still have old envelopes from previous years, we kindly ask you not to use them. Thank you.

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

We are in the process of preparing the income tax receipts for the previous year. We ask all parishioners who recently changed their address to inform us of the change. You may do so by calling the parish office or placing a note in the Sunday collection. Receipts will be available in the church at the end of January to all parishioners who gave offerings over \$20.00.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION AT WELLINGTON CATHOLIC DSB

The Wellington Catholic District School Board will be accepting new registrations for kindergarten at our schools beginning January 6, 2025! To be eligible for registering in kindergarten, children;

- must be four years of age on or before December 31, 2025, to attend Year 1 Kindergarten
- must be five years of age on or before December 31, 2025, to attend Year 2 Kindergarten

To register we ask that you visit https://www.wellingtoncdsb.ca/registration/kindergarten registration and complete the online student pre-registration form. Once you have completed this form you will receive a follow-up email to complete the registration process. 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)

During the registration process, school administration are available to assist you with any questions you may have.

Please note:

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

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, Guelph in your Will. It is only through your generosity that we can maintain and upkeep our beautiful historic building.

WELCOME TO SACRED HEART PARISH

Our Parish is an ethnic Parish. Our Parishioners are those who are formally registered at our Church. Please note that we are not able to issue any reference or letters of eligibility to non-

parishioners. Are you formally registered the Parish? Please fill out this form and place

it in the collection basket on Sunday. Alternatively, you can call the parish office to update your file or register. 519-822-8944.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO REGISTER?

PLEASE COMPLETE FORM AND DEPOSIT IN THE COLLECTION OR HAND IN TO THE PARISH OFFICE.

Family Name	 	
First Name (s)		
Address		
Phone No		
Email address		
Sunday Offering Envelopes: Yes		
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Tax receipts available for your donations. Please obtain envelopes at the Office. Tax receipts for all donations over \$20 are issued every January.



We would like to take this opportunity and wish all of our parishioners a

multitude of God's grace in this New Year 2025. May God bestow his blessings on our parish organizations, coordinators, members of the parish committees, volunteers, and all those who contribute to the building of our parish community. May God, the source of all blessing, impart His grace upon you. And may He preserve and guide your spiritual and physical wellbeing. May He also sustain in you a steadfast genuine faith, unwavering hope and enduring love. May the God of Peace guide you in your life and work; may He always hear your prayers and lead you to eternal life. May you be blessed in the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.



+ Mohinder Banwait. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May the souls of all the faithful

departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

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