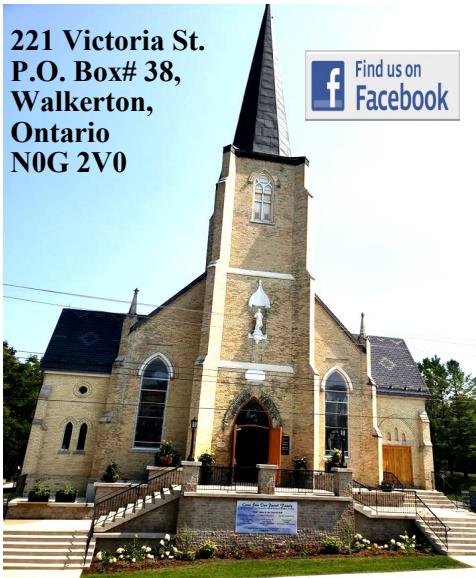


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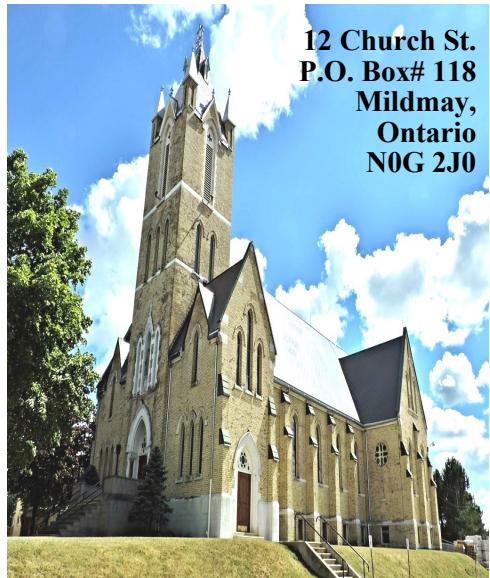
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Mass Schedule

Tuesday Mass 9:00 am
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SUNDAY LITURGIES
Saturday: 5:00 pm.
Sunday: 11:00 am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Tuesday's 30 minutes before Mass
and Saturday's at 4 pm.
or by appointment

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday
9 a.m. to 12 noon
& 1p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Valerie Austin
Office Administrator
Allan MacDonald
Bookkeeper



First Reading:
Isaiah 60:1-6
Second Reading:
Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6
Gospel:
Matthew 2:1-12

**The Epiphany Of The Lord
Sunday, January 4, 2026**

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& Friday
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& 1 p.m.- 2:30 pm

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MASS SCHEDULE FOR WALKERTON

January 6-11, 2026

Tues. Jan. 6

9:00 a.m.

+Janos Janossy *req by:* The Coffee Group

Thurs. Jan. 8 Mass @ Brucelea Haven - Fr. Les

10:00 a.m.

Intention of Tom Donnelly, Vince Lehman & Marj Lang
req by: St. Joseph's CWL Cargill

Fri. Jan. 9

9:00 a.m.

+Lorne Waechter *req by:* Helen Kraemer

+Sharon Anstett & Marie Waechter *req by:* Susanne Zippel

Sat. Jan. 10

5:00 p.m.

+Helen & Raymond Grubb *req by:* Colleen

Sun. Jan. 11 The Baptism Of The Lord

11:00 a.m.

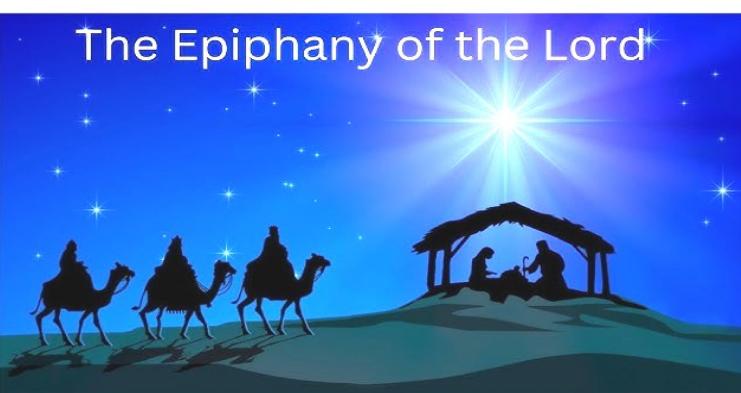
+Janos Janossy *req by:* Barb Vyhnal & Family

The Epiphany of the Lord

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

email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com



ATTENTION!
PLEASE

Winter Weather is upon us, so we kindly ask that everyone exercise extreme caution when navigating the church grounds and parking lot. Please remain vigilant for icy conditions and utilize the provided handrails for your safety. Thank you!

Caution
Icy conditions
Please take extra care

MASS SCHEDULE FOR MILDMA

January 6-11, 2026

Wed. Jan. 7

9:00 a.m.

+Keith Campbell Jr. *req by:* Kelly & Sharon Fotheringham

Thurs. Jan. 8

9:00 a.m.

+Lloyd Weber

req by: Rita Kelly

Sat. Jan. 10

6:30 p.m.

For the intentions of our Parish and its benefactors

Sun. Jan. 11 The Baptism Of The Lord

9:00 a.m.

+Betty Thompson

req by: Jim & Elaine



In Deepest Sympathy

Please pray for the repose of the souls and families of:



Connie Bohnert, Trevor Fish, Dana Eickmeier, Mary Benninger, Florence Fischer, Lloyd Schaefer, Richard Seely, Edythe Oberle & Betty Reid

May God grant them eternal rest.

HAMILTON DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR FOR ALL WHO MINISTER IN THE CHURCH

Creator God, life is your gift. Through baptism you invite us to share in service in others. Give us the courage and generosity to respond to your call. Bless those who serve you as priests, religious, deacons and lay ministers. Open the minds and hearts of men and women to accept your challenge to build the kingdom of God. Amen.

This week, **January 5-10, 2026** we pray for:

Jan. 5.....Rev. Mark Morley
Jan. 6.....Rev. Peter Tuyen Nguyen
Jan. 7.....Diocesan Priests
Jan. 8.....Rev. Pierre Luc, S.J.
Jan. 9.....Rev. Pawel Stankiewicz
Jan. 10....Rev. Raymond Reitzel, C.R.



The Three Gifts and Their Symbolism

According to the Gospel of Mathew, the Magi offered three specific gifts, each carrying profound symbolic weight:

***Gold:** Symbolizes Kingship and royal status, acknowledging Jesus as the King of Kings.

***Frankincense:** Symbolizes Divinity and worship; it was a type of incense typically used in religious sacrifices.

***Myrrh:** Symbolizes Humanity and Mortality; this burial ointment foreshadowed Jesus' suffering and sacrificial death on the cross.

Pray For Our Sick.

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community, especially, **Clare Kraemer, John Grubb, Aliyah Dupuis, Jadwiga Szczygiel, Dorothy Wyatt, Betty Etherton, Harriet Goetz, Sandy Voisin, Karen Ellis, Dwayne, Catherine Regier, Wally Misch, Stephen Benninger, Lloyd Gutscher, Helen Meyer, Helen McLean, Maryanne Buehlow, Phyllis Siegner, Ron & Mike Weiler, Rita DeBaincat, Jason Hart, Gib, Lorraine S., Marg Weber, Mila Schnerch, Sandra Berry, Ron & Rose Wilhelm, Theresa Filsinger, Gordon & Helen Kastner, Jim Walter, Barbara Illerbrunn, Charlie Fischer, Clayton & Dorothy Schmidt, Marlene Self, Nancy Litwak, Vincenzo Lanci, Terry Green, Sr. Simone, Gord Maxwell, Wayne O'Leary, Pat Weiler, Roland Siegfried, Tom Donnelly, Darlene Thorne, Paul Schnurr, Bernard Cotter, Anne Marie Hammer, Shirley A. Grubb, Helena Morley, Len Kraemer, Marg Kleist, Jerome Stroeder, Mary Louise Hauser, Denise Desroches, Dianne Kieffer, Julie McLaughlin, Regina Heaney, Linda Spitzig, Helen Beveridge, John Watson, Leonard Manion, Vera Schmidt, Teresa Schnurr, Glenn Schnurr, James Falkingham, Angela Cavanagh, & Rosemary O'Hara and for all special intentions.** Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole and free downcast spirits. May these people find lasting health and deliverance, and so join us in thanking you for all your gifts. We ask this through the Lord Jesus who healed those who believed. Amen.



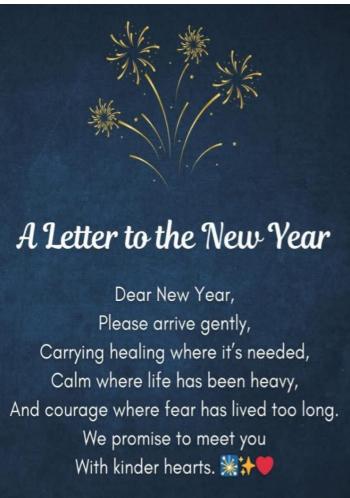
CWL NEWS: Sacred Heart CWL Mildmay



CWL Memberships of \$40 are due. Please put in an envelope marked CWL and drop it in the offertory basket.

Sacred Heart CWL Walkerton

CWL Members please note that the membership fees are due and the fees remain at \$35.



Dear New Year,
Please arrive gently,
Carrying healing where it's needed,
Calm where life has been heavy,
And courage where fear has lived too long.
We promise to meet you
With kinder hearts.

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In order to be successful in the new year, stay focused, develop a positive attitude, and be passionate with your dreams.

BAMIGBOYE OLUROTINI

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:

- RESIDUARY BEQUEST:** Once your loved ones have been looked after, you may wish to leave the rest of your estate to your Parish.
- GENERAL BEQUEST:** Should you wish to leave Sacred Heart Parish a specific dollar amount, a certain asset or a percentage of your estate.
- 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, Walkerton or Mildmay in your Will. It is only through your generosity that we can maintain and upkeep our beautiful historic buildings.



As 2025 has come to a close, reflecting on the year's challenges and triumphs provides the perfect foundation for a meaningful 2026.

Prioritizing those around you—family, friends, and community—often yields the most rewarding resolutions. Here are a few ways to center your 2026 goals around connection and community:

- Practice Intentional Presence:** Resolve to put away devices during social gatherings to focus fully on the people you are with.
- Volunteer Locally:** Find opportunities to give back through volunteering with your parish, local service clubs or organizations in your community.
- Strengthen Relationships:** Set a goal to reach out to one person a week—whether through a call, a letter, or a coffee date—to maintain and deepen your bonds.
- Perform Random Acts of Kindness:** Small gestures, like helping a neighbor or expressing gratitude to a colleague, can significantly impact your local environment.

“It's never too late to become who you want to be.”

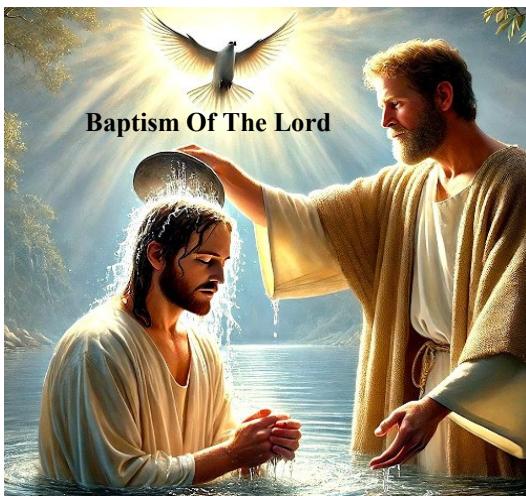


In the first part of January we continue to rejoice and celebrate Christ's coming at Bethlehem and in our hearts. We have the wonderful feasts of Mary, Mother of God, where we honor Mary's highest title, and then we follow the Magi to the crib as they bring their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh on Epiphany. Finally we reach the culmination of this season with the Baptism of Our Lord by St. John the Baptist. With a touch of sadness we take down our decorations and enter into the liturgical period known as Ordinary Time where we will devote ourselves to the mystery of Christ in its entirety.

This is a time of growth and an opportunity to allow the dignity of Sunday to shine forth prolonging the joy of Easter and Pentecost. Besides those previously mentioned the month's saint days include:

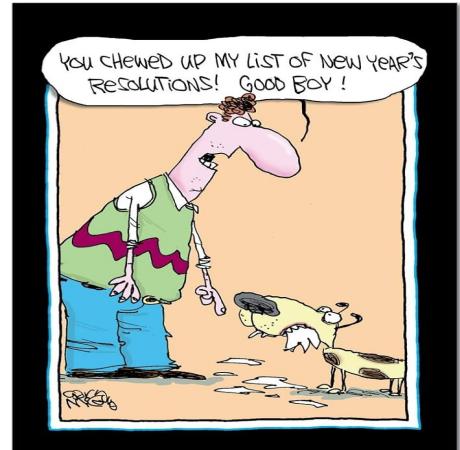
Mary Mother of God (January 1), **Holy Name of Jesus** (January 3),
St. John Neumann (January 5), **St. André Bessette** (January 6),
St. Raymond of Peñafort (January 7), **St. Anthony, Abbot** (January 17),
Sts. Fabian and Sebastian (January 20), **St. Agnes** (January 21),
St. Francis de Sales (January 24), **Sts. Timothy and Titus** (January 26),
St. Angela Merici (January 27), **St. Thomas Aquinas** (January 28)
St. John Bosco (January 31)

The Memorial of **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton** (January 4) and the Feast of the **Conversion of St. Paul** (January 25), are superseded by the Sunday liturgy.



May your 2026 be rich
with God's love,
new opportunities,
and strength for your
journey, bringing you
closer to faith and
fulfilling your purpose.

God Bless Fr. Les



PLEASE REMEMBER to pick up your Offertory Envelopes for 2026 located at the back of the church.

2025 Income Tax Receipts of \$250.00 or more will automatically be given out. If your donations are less than that amount you will have to request your receipt from the Office. Thank you.

Thank you for your donations to Sacred Heart **WALKERTON**. Your contribution is greatly appreciated as we seek to encourage all with God's Love and Word!
Amounts from December 24 & 25 and 27 & 28, 2025

Sunday Offerings.....	\$5,035.00
Building Fund.....	\$7,910.00
Christmas.....	\$5,700.05

Thank you for your donations to Sacred Heart **MILDMAY**. Your contribution is greatly appreciated as we seek to encourage all with God's Love and Word!
Amounts from December 24 & 25 and 27 & 28, 2025

Sunday Offerings.....	\$3,208.40
Building Fund.....	\$4,360.00
Christmas.....	\$2,490.00
New Year's.....	\$10.00
Fuel.....	\$60.00