

Holy Rosary Catholic Community

287 Plains Road East - Burlington, Ontario, L7T 2C7

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Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary,
Pray for us.

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Parish Office Hours

Tuesday - Thursday:
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

Our Lord's Day Liturgies

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
*June 28 to Sept. 6-Sunday mass 10 a.m.

Weekday Mass

Tuesday-Friday 7:45 a.m.

Confession

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Catholic Funeral Rites

Contact Holy Sepulchre Cemetery
905 522-7727 or visit their website at:
www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca

New Parishioners

We welcome you. Please complete a
Registration Form in the book rack.

Contact us

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Holy Rosary was formed out of portions of the Cathedral parish in Hamilton, St. John's, Burlington and St. Thomas, Waterdown. Father Bernard Harrigan was the first Pastor and the first Mass was celebrated on June 6, 1947 in the chapel of Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Holy Rosary School was built in 1951. Under the leadership of Father Blake Ryan (1953-1964) a new Church and rectory were built. The 400 seat church was dedicated on May 1, 1955. In 1987, during the pastorate of Father Anthony Ciavarro, the church was redesigned with a 180 degree rotation. Beautiful stained glass, statuary, and sculpture adorn the renewed space. Other pastors who served the parish were: Msgr. Bernard Harrigan, Father Blake Ryan, Father Harold Smith, Father Carlo Bianchi, Father Anthony Ciavarro, Father Ron Cote, Father Frank Trzupsek, Msgr. Murray Kroetsch and the present pastor, Msgr. Edward House. Today there are over 600 registered families.

Welcome to Holy Rosary Catholic Community. We hope you enjoyed your Lord's Day Worship. May God bless you abundantly!



MASSES THIS WEEK
(7:45 a.m. unless otherwise noted)

Join us to pray the Rosary before Mass. Rosary starts at 7:15 a.m.

Tuesday, March 8	Melanie Ofilan-Young
Wednesday March 9	Mark Tonkovich
Thurs., March 10	Gerry Monroe
Friday, March 11	Jose Travassos
Saturday, March 12 at 5:00 p.m.	Samuel DiTomaso William Bourque Sr. Intentions of Adele Gemmiti

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

One of the first steps to a Catholic wedding takes place in the parish rectory, as the newly engaged come forward to "set a date." We owe this scenario to reforms made by the emperor Charlemagne late in the eighth century. He required that nobles and commoners alike have public weddings, and also required that marrying couples be examined for factors that would block a marriage, such as previous marriages or close kinship. The pope was more conservative, however, and resisted the emperor's creativity. It was enough for the pope that the couples exchange consent. That tradition is passed on to this day, to some couples' surprise. In 866, Pope Nicholas ruled that a marriage was legal and binding even without a liturgy or public celebration. After that, it was the consent of the couple, not the blessing of parents or priest, that made a marriage "count." If consent was lacking, such as through abduction or fear, then the marriage could not "take." Charlemagne got a great deal done, but he was a political flash in the pan, and the empire had virtually collapsed by the year 1000. Europe broke into a checkerboard of princedoms and languages, and at last all marriages came under the church, the glue holding the known world together.

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OUR GIFTS TO GOD

We thank you for your continued spiritual and financial support of Holy Rosary Parish.

February 28th, 2016 Collection

Sunday Envelopes	Loose Collection	Pre-Authorized Debit	Easter Flowers
\$3,888.	\$350.	\$1,587.	\$937.

REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon the next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week! The Gospel for the Fifth Sunday of Lent is:

John 8.1-11

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 6th, 2016



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A SUNDAY FOR REJOICING

Today's Gospel story of the prodigal son is a favorite of many. We can identify with all the major figures and their crisscross of emotions. The father's initial grief over his young son's avarice is turned to relief at his return. The son's grief over his loss of fortune, family, and friends is turned to delirious joy at the sight of his father. We understand the eldest son's bewilderment over his father's generosity. For the older son, virtue seems not to be its own reward. For all his honorable toil and loyalty, there seems to be no celebration. The father, however, is prodigal in his forgiveness and mercy. He expects the same generosity from his older son. He wants all to rejoice when the lost one is found. This is a Sunday for rejoicing. It's time to pause, consider, and encourage one another. We are the prodigal children heading home. We are the elder siblings waiting with the eager Father, who scans the horizon. In Christ Jesus we are reconciled to the Father and one another. In his death and resurrection we have passed over. We are a new creation. In this we rejoice.

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The Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace gives us an opportunity to show mercy to our brothers and sisters in the Global South who struggle to meet the basic needs of life. The **Share Lent collection**, taken up as part of our Lenten Almsgiving, takes place next weekend, **March 13**. We encourage each family to adopt symbolically a poor family in the Third World and put aside a loonie/toonie or more each day for the 40 days of Lent. In 2015, our Share Lent collection amounted to **\$12,620**. Let us strive to do as well this year, or better! Let us feed, house and give medical aid to God's poor. Thank you!

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS

Monday

7:00 pm – CWL Bridge – Parish Centre

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1:00 pm – Seniors Bridge – Parish Centre
7:00 pm – CWL Executive Meeting

Wednesday

7:00 pm – Quest Small Group Bible Study – Library

Thursday

1 – 4 pm – Craft Club – Parish Centre
7:30 pm – Choir Practice – Parish Centre

Friday

7:00 pm – Stations of the Cross

Saturday

10:00 am – Lectors for 5pm Palm Sunday Rehearsal
10:30 am – Lectors for 9am Palm Sunday Rehearsal
11:00 am – Lectors for 11am Palm Sunday Rehearsal
11:30 am – Servers for Palm Sunday Rehearsals

Next Weekend....



DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Mar. 7	Rev. David Perrin, O.M.I.
Tues. Mar. 8	Rev. Stephen Csiszar
Wed. Mar. 9	Permanent Deacons
Thurs. Mar. 10	Rev. Timothy Higgins
Fri. Mar. 11	Rev. Tom Moisan
Sat. Mar. 12	Rev. Zygmunt Baranowski

SPECIAL OLYMPICS BOTTLE DRIVE

Collection at Holy Rosary – Tuesday, March 8th



The Knights of Columbus remind you to **SAVE YOUR BEER, WINE, LIQUOR BOTTLES & BEER CANS** for the Bottle Drive for Special Olympics. Collecting in church parking lot from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m.

“AN EVENING OF SWING” TO BENEFIT A REFUGEE FAMILY – Friday, April 8th @ 7 pm



The Knights of Columbus Council 15920 of Holy Rosary Burlington invite you to attend “An Evening of Swing” with the Toronto All-Star Big Band at the Burlington Performing Arts Centre. Come enjoy a terrific evening of Swing with your friends and family, while helping Holy Rosary to sponsor a refugee family. **RESERVE TODAY** by calling the box office at 905-681-6000 or online at: www.burlingtonpac.ca Tickets \$38.50 plus applicable taxes and fees.

PENANCE CELEBRATION

Wed. March 16 @ 7pm at Holy Rosary



“The season of Lent during this Jubilee Year should also be lived more intensely as a privileged moment to celebrate and experience God’s mercy.” (Pope Francis) In this Jubilee Year of Mercy you are invited to celebrate God’s mercy in the sacrament of Reconciliation at 7:00 p.m. There will be four priests available to hear confessions.

VOCATIONS

Like the forgiving father of Luke’s Gospel, God welcomes us home in spite of our sinfulness, and calls us to a life of holiness. If you feel God’s call to the priesthood or consecrated life, visit: www.HamiltonVocations.com

OTHER COMING EVENTS

RETROUVAILLE WEEKEND – March 11 to 13

Do you feel alone? – Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue...or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? This program has helped thousands of couples experiencing difficulty at all levels of marital distress. For confidential info. or to register for the weekend **March 11-13**, please call **905-664-5212** or email: hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca or visit the web site www.retrouvaille.org for more information.

MEN’S CONFERENCE – Sat. March 19th

Join Cardinal Thomas Collins and others for Serviam Ministries’ 1st Annual Band of Christian Brothers Men’s Conference at Canada Christian College, Toronto. The day will strengthen and challenge men to grow in faith and virtue while also addressing the struggles that men face. Special Father/Son rates. For info. and tickets: call 1-888-522-2070.

UNVEILING THE MYSTERY OF ICONOGRAPHY

Join us **Sat. March 19 at 9 am** at St. Luke’s Anglican Church, 1382 Ontario St. Burl. Ria Kinghorn who has studied and painted Icons for 7 years will share her knowledge about a new way of living joyously in the presence of a tender and compassionate God through prayer and meditation with this sacred art. Call David 905-634-2095 **by March 16 to register**. Continental breakfast provided. Free will offerings accepted.

PASSION PLAY

The Passion Play presented by the youth at St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Burlington is in the church:
Tues. March 22nd – Mass at 7pm, play at 8pm, reception in Hall afterwards **OR**
Good Friday March 25th at 8pm

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