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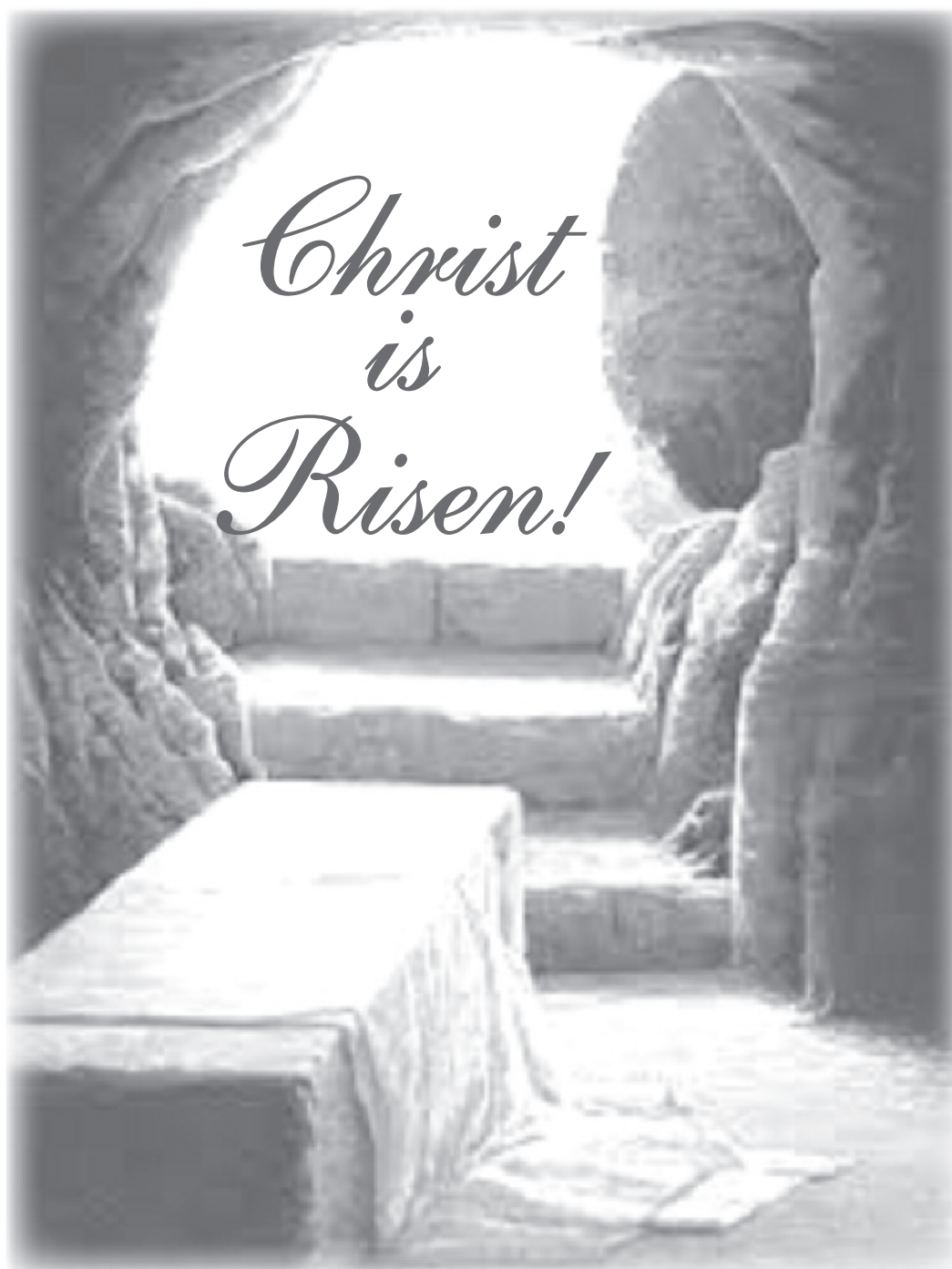
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EASTER SUNDAY

Date	Time	Mass Intentions	Requested by
Tuesday, April 11	7:00 p.m.	+ Patricia O'Neill Intentions of Emma Henderson Intentions of Dave Henderson	The Teixeira Family The Henderson Family The Henderson Family
Wednesday, April 12	8:00 a.m.	+ Stanislav Kubala	The Slamka Family
Thursday, April 13	8:00 a.m.	Intentions of Marlene Evanchuk	Barb Maier
Friday, April 14	8:00 a.m.	+ Emmy Van Beek	Katharine Van Beek & Family
Saturday, April 15	5:00 p.m.	+ Bob Halliwell + Bronislawa Hirny + Angelina and Luis Gouveia + Gabriella Hitchcock + Delmar Ferreira + Bev MacLean	Wendy Halliwell Barbara Riga The Gouveia Family The Gouveia Family Citelia Ferreira and family Friends of Bev



EASTER MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR:

Today we celebrate the greatest of the Church's liturgical feasts, Easter, the Resurrection of Jesus from the

dead. Jesus has conquered the grave; the tomb in which he was laid is now empty. Today is however only the first day of Easter. Lent is 40 days but Easter is 50 days long and will conclude with Pentecost as we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit. For those who were received into the Church, who received the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and the Holy Eucharist at the Easter Vigil, the 50 days of Easter is meant to be a time to reflect on the mysteries of the faith in which they have been received. Above all it is a time to reflect on the gift of the Sacraments that they received on that Easter night. All of us can participate in this time of reflection. Through the Resurrection of Jesus from the dead, through the grace of the Sacraments we have received God's very life. *May these Easter days lead us to a deeper appreciation and a deeper love for the gifts that we have received.*

HOLY SATURDAY, April 8

1:00 p.m. – Blessing of Easter foods

8:00 p.m. - Solemn Easter Vigil

(There is no 5 p.m. Mass or Confessions)

EASTER SUNDAY - April 9

Mass at 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Alleluia! Alleluia! Jesus Christ is risen.

Alleluia! "The Church and the world have a great need of Eucharistic Adoration. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us

be generous with our time in going to meet Him in Adoration...May our Adoration never cease." - Saint John Paul II.

If you would like to spend time with Jesus in the Adoration Chapel please call: Frank or Sheila (519) 658-9414.

Reminder: The adoration chapel will remain closed until after the 11:00 am Mass Easter Sunday morning.

CONFIRMATION 2023

The following Confirmation Liturgies will take place this month:

- *St. Elizabeth:* Saturday, April 15 at 11:00 a.m.
- *St. Gabriel:* Saturday, April 15 at 1:00 p.m.
- *Our Lady of Fatima:* Saturday, April 22 at 2 p.m.

Please continue to pray for these students as they prepare for this Sacrament of Initiation.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY: The Children's Liturgy program will resume next Sunday, April 16, 2023.



COFFEE SUNDAY: On **Sunday, April 16th** we will continue our Easter celebration with coffee and treats after the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses

EASTER FLORAL TRIBUTES: Thank you for your contributions towards the Easter flowers. Flowers have been placed in memory of your loved ones and their names will be kept near the altar and remembered at all the Masses during the Easter season.

HEALTH UPDATE: On March 30th Deacon Mike had his long-awaited surgery on his ankle. His stay in the hospital was brief but his convalescence will take some time. Please keep Deacon Mike in your prayers at this time.



LADIES RETREAT hosted by the Catholic Women's League. Topic: *What is at the heart of a truly Christian spirituality of service?* The retreat will be led by **Father**

Raphael Ma on **Saturday, April 22, 2023**. The morning begins with Mass at 8:30 a.m. followed by a hot breakfast at the cost of \$20 per person. All ladies of the parish and their friends are invited to attend. To register put your name and payment in an envelope marked 'CWL Retreat' at any of the Masses for the next two weekends and place them in the collection basket. The registration deadline is Sunday, April 16.

CWL GENERAL MEETING: Tuesday, April 11th following Mass. If you have not signed up for the ladies retreat you may do so at this meeting. ****Please bring your Rosary beads to use in praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.****
May the Risen Lord fill you with Joy and Peace during this blessed Easter Season



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023

We pray for our young children preparing for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion this month and next:

- *St. Elizabeth*: Saturday, April 29 at 11:00 a.m.
- *St. Gabriel*: Saturday, April 29 at 1:00 p.m.
- *Our Lady of Fatima*: Saturday, May 13 at 11a.m.

PARISH OFFERINGS

April 1/2, 2023

Sunday Offerings:	\$4,744.00
Share Lent	\$445.00
Good Friday	\$115.00

Your continued financial support is greatly appreciated.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MONTHLY COLLECTION:

The March collection was \$1461.85. A big thank you to all!

We would like to thank all parishioners for your continued support. *May you and your families have a Blessed and Holy Easter.*



HAPPY EASTER FROM COUNCIL 4916

He is Risen! Msgr. Paul J. Meyer Council 4916 wishes all our fellow parishioners and their families a Blessed and Joyous Easter.

Our monthly meeting is on **Thursday, April 13** at 7:00 p.m. at St Clement Church. Enter via the Westminster Drive door.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED: A reminder that the parish office is closed on Monday, April 10th.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 16 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Ambrose Church. To celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday everyone is invited to St.

Ambrose Parish to join as we pray the chaplet of Divine Mercy through song, and reflections. In 2000, Pope John

Paul instituted Divine Mercy Sunday which is celebrated on the Second Sunday of the Easter season. It arises out of a series of apparitions which Saint Faustina received.

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR

April 10 – April 15

Monday	Rev. Archange Kebe
Tuesday	Rev. Godwin Pinto, O.C.D.
Wednesday	Permanent Deacons
Thursday	Rev. Malcolm Katzenberger
Friday	Rev. John Schnurr
Saturday	Rev. Pawel Stankiewicz

SHARE LENT COLLECTION: Thank you for giving from the heart to Share Lent 2023! **Thanks to your generosity, our parish collected \$2,785.00 to date.** This sum will help support our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Middle East. If you have not had a chance to donate, there is still time to place your Share Lent envelope in the offertory or to donate online at devp.org/give. *Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.*

BEYOND THE PEW – WHAT NOW? Join us as we take the dialogue to the next level. In our winter speaker series, we heard from local speakers, with boots on the ground, about homelessness, addiction, mental health, our youth. What did these mean for you? To your Parish? To our community? What is your heart calling you to do? Father Ed Hinsperger will guide us through a process that will help us emerge with a clear vision of action. Whether you wish to be part of the solution with a group, with your family, or on your own, these conversations will help determine positive action steps forward in faith, guided by the Holy Spirit, and in the company of like-minded people. Whether you attended the Beyond the Pew sessions, or not, you are welcome. The only requirement is that you wish to work towards a more just and caring community. We hope to see you there. **Tuesday April 18, 6:30 - 8:30 pm** in the church hall of St Clement Parish, 745 Duke St, Cambridge. Contact the office to register: 519-653-6123 or stclements@rogers.com

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