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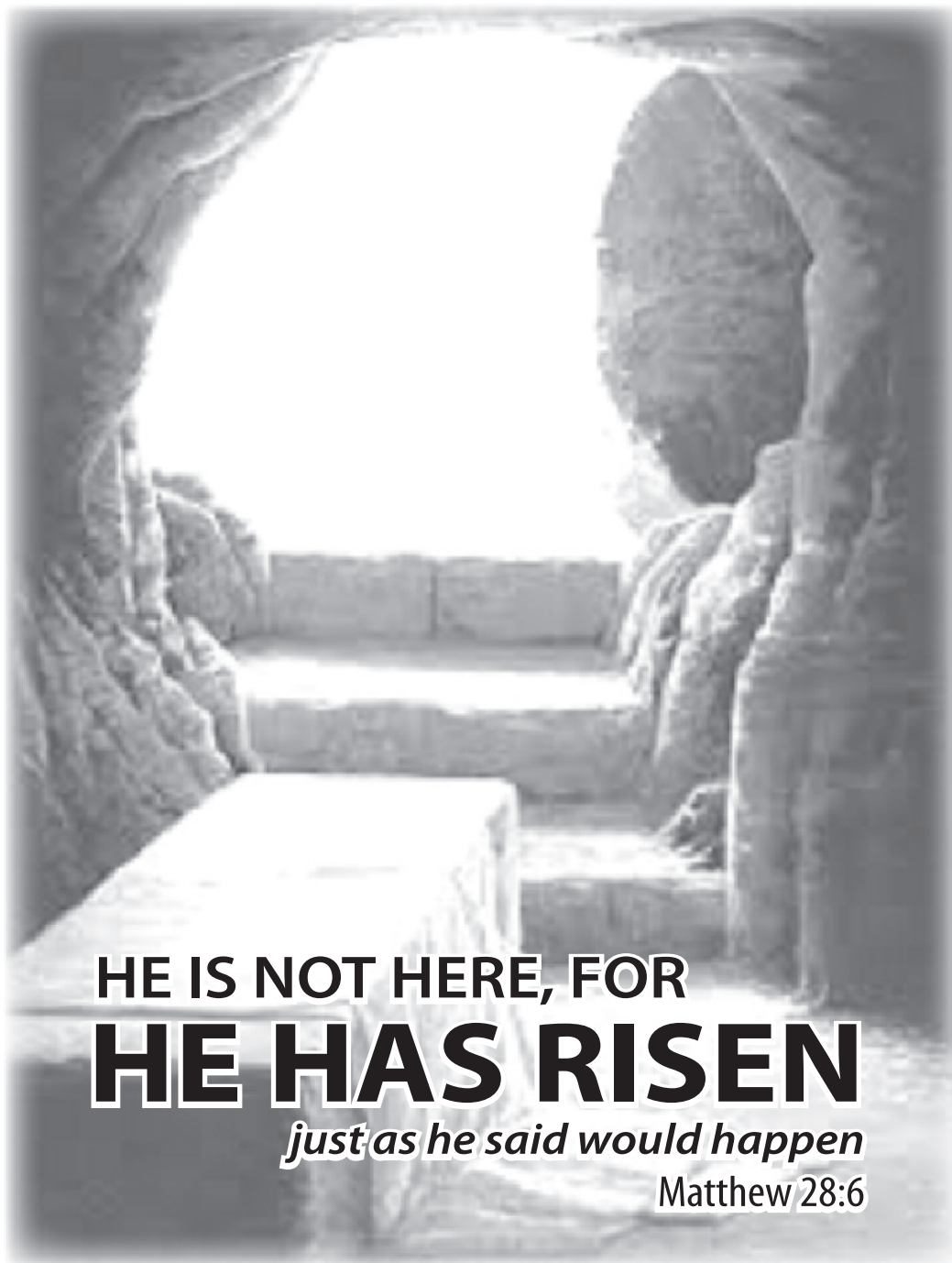
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**HE IS NOT HERE, FOR
HE HAS RISEN**

just as he said would happen

Matthew 28:6

EASTER SUNDAY

Mass Intentions

(† = Deceased Intention; No marking = Intentions of...;
Thx = Thanksgiving; Hlg = Healing)

Mon. Apr 1, 9am	Courtney Pinheiro
Tue. Apr 2, 9am	Thx. Harm & Myrta Dewyk
Wed. Apr 3, 9am	† Emeteria Felisco
Thu. Apr 4, 9am	Hlg. Bernadette Noon
† Tony Florio	† Sarah Baumberster
† Carmel Hayes	† Anna Lui
† Frank Pulis	† Souls in Purgatory
Fri Apr 5, 9am	† Donald Gravelle
Fri Apr 5, 6:30pm	† Ethel Karcz
Sat Apr 6, 5pm	Paul Irimpan
Carrie English	Thx. Meghan Bennett
† Brian Madott	† Gloria Devaras Palagar
† Anna Charisse	† Oliva Delantra Darras
† Jim, Clinton & Christopher Cox	
Sun. Apr 7, 9am	† Jose Furtado & † Maria da Graca Medeiros
Sun. Apr 7, 11am	For Our Parishioners

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

March 24, 2024

Envelopes (161)	\$3,444
Loose	\$1,156
March Building Fund (43)	\$1,033
March Pre-Authorized Giving (84)	\$8,632

Thank you for your generous support

Please pray for: Alain Lukawenko
Please phone the parish office before Tuesday morning to have a name added.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A ROMAN CATHOLIC OR LEARNING MORE ABOUT YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH?



Then maybe the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the place for you. The RCIA journey introduces the beliefs and practices of the Roman Catholic Church through a series of prayerful reflections, video presentations, faith sharing and small group discussions designed to help participants to become full members of the Catholic Church. Classes (usually 75 minutes long) will wrap up on **Wednesday, April 3** with a Potluck Dinner. All are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact the parish office.



CHRISTIANS ON A JOURNEY: All are welcome for fellowship and prayer with other Christians in our area.

Mon. April 1st 7pm St. Raphael Church



FIRST COMMUNION: St. Paul School First Communion class celebration is on **April 7th at 1pm in our parish.** St. Raphael school and parish program students First Communion class celebration is on **April 14th at 1pm in our parish.**

BOOK SALE: Our Society of St. Vincent de Paul is seeking donations for the **St Raphael's SSVP Used Book Sale**, which will take place the weekend of **April 27/28.**



From **April 1st - April 20th**, please place your donations of gently-used children's books, all appropriate fiction and non-fiction books, (no cookbooks), CDs / DVDs, and complete jigsaw puzzles, in the hall across from the St Vincent de Paul Pantry. Proceeds of the book sale will be used by SSVP for neighbours in need.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE wishes to thank all parishioners who participated in the Oscar Romero Potluck Supper and Movie Night last weekend. We were pleased to share this amazing parish event with you. The fellowship of the meal and the viewing of the very powerful story of the life of Archbishop Oscar Romero was truly a memorable event. We look forward to more such opportunities to experience our Church in the World today!

If you are interested in becoming a member of Development and Peace please contact:

Cecilia Racine: cecilia_racine@hotmail.com (note: there is an underscore between first and last name)

STEP/BLENDED FAMILY: SMART STEPS FOR BUILDING FAMILY – Are you a parent or stepparent adjusting to blended family life? Smart Steps offers practical insights and suggestions on how to make the relationships work well for all. The next session will be held at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph, 28 Norfolk Street, from 9:15am - 3:30pm on **Saturday, April 20th**. PRICE: \$50 per person (includes lunch). DATE: Register online at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/>. For more information, contact the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.



OFFICE CLOSED: Please note the parish office will be closed on **Easter Monday, April 1st**. The parish office will also be closed on **Monday, April 8th**, as mandated by the Diocese, for the solar eclipse:

<https://www.asc-csa.gc.ca/eng/astronomy/eclipses/solar-eclipses.asp>

HOLY CROSS FAMILY MINISTRIES – CANADA: The Holy Cross Family Ministries –Canada would like to invite you join our Rosary Making Group. If you would like to be a Rosary maker, please fill out the Registration Form. This year, we are planning to make 10,000 rosaries to be distributed to churches, hospitals, schools, and missions in the world. The Rosary Making group meets on Fridays at 10am. Thank you for helping us spread God's message of love.

EASTER FAMILY TIME: We would like to invite you to Celebrate our Easter Joy with all families for an evening of Karaoke and Dance on **Saturday, April 13th**, at the St. Raphael's Parish Centre. Calling all Zumba and Folk Dance lovers to join us and all will be helped by professional dancing teachers. There will be a potluck dinner. Please sign up at the entrance if you are joining for the event. All are welcome.

PARISH REGISTRATION: We welcome all the newcomers to our parish community. We invite you to fill out our registration form. Please introduce yourselves to our pastoral team so we can get to know you and your family. Please call the office to join any of our many parish ministries.

BAPTISM FAMILY MASS: On **Sunday, April 21st** at **1pm** we will be celebrating a special family mass with Baptisms. We welcome families with children to join us to prepare for the Mass. The practice will be on Saturday, **April 13th at 6pm**. All children are welcome to participate and celebrate the Family Mass. If you would like to have your children participate, please fill your information in the sign-up sheet at the entrance.

YOUNG ADULTS' NIGHT Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to celebrate the Easter Season by attending an evening of Adoration, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on **Saturday, April 6th** at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate (28 Norfolk Street, Guelph). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. The next Young Adults Night will take place at **May 4th at the Holy Rosary Church** (287 Plains Road East, Burlington, Ontario). For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

RELIGIOUS ARTICLES STORE: Volunteers are needed to help in the Religious Articles Store after daily mass and all weekend masses. If you are interested, please contact Sandra: beyersandra92@gmail.com or 365-292-0531.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE PROGRAMMING FOR YOUTH MINISTRY The Office of Youth Ministry has invited the Development and Peace Youth programming team to share information about initiatives that parishes can implement with young people. Join us on **April 9th** on Zoom to learn about their programs and opportunities for young people. Registration and additional information is available on the Diocesan website: <https://tinyurl.com/dandpyouth>

LECTURES IN CATHOLIC EXPERIENCE: ST JEROME'S UNIVERSITY: St. Jerome's University, Waterloo hosts a series of public lectures each year on a variety of important and prevalent topics within Catholic life. On **Monday, April 15**, Brother Guy Consolmagno, SJ will be speaking on the topic of science and truth. For more information on the Lectures in Catholic Experience and to explore recordings of previous lectures, you are invited to explore the St. Jerome's Website: <https://www.sju.ca/LCE>

THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS - Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2024? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, May 26th**, at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is available on line at hamiltondiocese.com under Upcoming Events.

REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL APRIL 25th: Join us from 7– 9pm for the screening of **Bigger Than Us**. The film follows youth activist Melati Wijzen as she travels the world to meet other young activists like herself, striving to make the world a better place. Guest speaker Peter Mahfouz from Caritas Lebanon will speak to his work supporting youth initiatives in Lebanon and the strength of young people in supporting their communities. **The screening and discussion will be hosted online via Zoom. Register at:** <https://reeljustice.hamiltondiocese.com/> A partnership between the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives and Development and Peace, the Reel Justice Film Festival shines a spotlight on issues of social, political, and economic injustices.



HAPPY EASTER!!! May this Easter Sunday inspire you to new hope, faith, happiness, love, and abundance. Wishing you and your family a meaningful and grace-filled Easter!!!

Christ is Risen! Do not forget to smile!

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