

SAINT MATTHEW CATHOLIC PARISH COMMUNITY

Established as a Parish in the Diocese of Hamilton in 1988

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Closed over lunch.

Clergy residence: 1125 Pilgrims Way
Oakville, Ontario L6M 1J4

Baptism of Infants: Baptisms are normally celebrated communally on Sunday afternoons except for the Season of Lent. Preparation for first time parents is provided. Kindly contact the parish office at least 2 months prior to the desired date of baptism.

Becoming Catholic (RCIA): For those not baptized, those baptized in another Christian Tradition and those baptized Catholic but have not completed their initiation, a process of Becoming Catholic involving inquiry, prayer and study is available. Please contact the parish office for more information.

School-aged children: Preparation of children for the celebration of 1st Reconciliation, 1st Eucharist, and Confirmation is provided by our parish schools and through the parish program for children in public and private school. Further information will be provided in the bulletin during the school year.

Sacrament of Marriage: Preparation is provided. Kindly contact the parish office about 1 year before the desired date of marriage.

Wedding Anniversary Blessing: Last Sunday of every month. All couples who have celebrated an Anniversary during that month are invited to meet in front of the altar immediately following the Mass to receive a blessing.

Priesthood: For more information or assistance in discerning God's call to the ordained priesthood or consecrated religious life contact the Vocation Service's website: www.vocationinfo.ca

Funerals: When death occurs in the family, please contact the parish office and we will assist you in liturgical arrangements.

Catholic Cemeteries: For information about Catholic cemeteries, please visit their website: www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca or call 1-800-661-5985.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN OUR PARISH

	<i>Elementary</i>
St. Matthew School	1050 Nottinghill Gate
905-847-0088	Vince Chininea, Principal
St. Bernadette School	1201 Heritage Way
905-827-7235	Julie Riesberry, Principal
St. Teresa of Calcutta School	1190 Westview Terrace
905-825-6382	Tony Agro, Principal
St. Joan of Arc School	2912 West Oaks Trail Blvd.,
905-847-3581	Mr. Nick Laratta, Principal
St. John Paul II School	Mr. Tony Ceelen, Principal
905-827-8894	2130 Kingsridge Drive
St. Mary School	Karen Dobbie
905-469-0038	2175 Colonel William Parkway
	<i>Secondary</i>
St. Ignatius of Loyola	1550 Nottinghill Gate
905-847-0595	Cairine MacDonald, Principal

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	9:00 a.m.; 10:30 a.m.; 12 noon, 7:00 p.m. (October - May)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays	4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
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WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

Please consult the bulletin for the complete schedule.

Seventh Week in Ordinary Time

Tuesday February 26, 2019

Sirach 2.1-11; Mark 9.30-37

- 7:00 p.m. + Frank Peruzzi
 + Martha Gonsalves
 + Hilton Dinner
 + Claude Soares
 + Helen Russell

Wednesday February 27, 2019

Sirach 4.11-19; Mark 9.38-40

- 9:00 a.m. + Telo Lozada

Thursday February 28, 2019

Sirach 5.1-8; Mark 9.41-50

- 9:00 a.m. + Gonzalo Urday
 + Oscar Villa Garcia

Friday March 1, 2019

Sirach 6.5-17; Mark 10.1-12

World Day of Prayer

- 9:00 a.m. + Bernadette Greene
 + Joao Borges
 Special Intention: Erio & Chiara Gozzetto
 Special Intention: Dolores Farah

9:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Adoration

7:30 p.m. Benediction

Saturday March 2, 2019

Sirach 27.4-7; 1 Corinthians 15.54-58; Luke 6.39-45

4:00 p.m. Reconciliation

5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday March 3, 2019

Sirach 27.4-7; 1 Corinthians 15.54-58; Luke 6.39-45

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12 noon, 7:00 p.m.

In Our Parish This Week

Monday February 25, 2019

11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. SSVP Fresh Food (Hall)

7:30 p.m. Bible Study (Hall)

Tuesday February 26, 2019

9:00 a.m. Spirituality of the Cross (Boardroom &
 St. Matthew Room)

7:30 p.m. RCIA (St. Matthew Room)

Wednesday February 27, 2019

9:30 a.m. Mother's Group (St. Matthew
 Room/Boardroom)

12:00 p.m. Card Playing (St. Matthew Room)

7:00 p.m. Knitting for Peace (Boardroom)

7:00 p.m. Mandarin Bible Study 圣经学习
 (St. Matthew Room)

7:00 p.m. First Communion Parish (Hall)

Thursday February 28, 2019

7:30 p.m. Spirituality of the Cross (Boardroom)

7:30 p.m. Senior Choir Rehearsal (Church)

Friday March 1, 2019

7:30 p.m. Intercessory Prayer Group
 (St. Matthew Room)

Sunday March 3, 2019

1:30 p.m. Oakville Symphony Young People's Concert

2018 Income Tax Receipts

Please remember to pick up your receipts which are in alphabetical order in the narthex.

2019 Envelope Boxes

If you have not picked up your envelope box, please check with the office during office hours.



Vocations

"In the Lord your labour is not in vain". Is the Lord calling you to work in His vineyard? Pray to hear God's call. If God is calling you to be a priest contact. **Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988**
 email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Lunchtime Supervisor Needed

St. Bernadette Catholic Elementary School is interviewing for a lunchtime supervisor (1 hour per day, 5 days per week, following the school board calendar). The candidate needs to have a criminal record check with a vulnerable sector screening. Interested candidates please contact St. Bernadette School directly between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. at (905) 827-7235.

Holy Hour Prayer For Survivors and Victims of Sexual Abuse

On the Second Sunday in Lent, we will join with all other parishes in the Diocese of Hamilton for a Holy Hour for the Survivors and Victims of Sexual Abuse. Our Holy Hour will begin at **3:00 pm on Sunday, March 17, 2019**. Of course, you are welcome to pray at any time and at any place for this cause.

This Holy Hour will include Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Scripture Readings, a Homily and a Litany of Intercessory Prayer before a time of private and silent prayer. The hour will end with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

We wish to make this an action of the Church as a whole to pray for all victims, survivors and everyone affected by this great sin against individuals and the community itself. All are welcome to come and join the Church in prayer. If you are unable to join us, we ask you to take some time in private prayer at a time and place convenient to you.

Together, may we all remember and support those affected by Sexual Abuse. Together, may we ask the Lord for the forgiveness we need for what we have done and have failed to do.

Serra Club



The Celebration of Priesthood & Consecrated Life dinner sponsored by the Serra Club of Hamilton will be held on **Tuesday April 30, 2019** at Liuna Station. Please check the following site for details:

www.celebrationprl.wixsite.com/dinner or call Margaret Carreiro at (905) 628-5682

Lift Jesus Higher Rally

“Hope in the Midst of Suffering”

The Holy Spirit comes to restore, invigorate and empower us! Join us at the **2019 Lift Jesus Higher Rally on Saturday, March 2nd, 2019, from 9am to 5:30pm** at Constitution Hall in the Metro Toronto convention Centre as we explore this year’s theme: **Hope In The Midst Of Suffering**. This celebration will be unforgettable and will fill you with abundant joy and hope that God always provides for His people. There will be uplifting music, prayer, Reconciliation, prayer for the Divine Mercy and a Eucharistic Procession. His Eminence, Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, will be the celebrant and homilist of the closing Mass. For tickets, contact the parish office.

NEXT YOUNG AT HEART GET-TOGETHER



St Patrick's Day Social

Friday March 8, 2019, after the 9 a.m. mass.

Sing your favourite Irish songs; wear something green.

Enjoy some baking and coffee. Bring a friend!



This Share Lent lets create a culture of encounter. How would you feel if you and your family had to flee your home right now? Did you know that every minute, 31 people are forced to flee their homes to seek refuge and safety in another village, city or country? There are currently more than 68.5 million children, women

and men in this situation around the world. From climate change to extreme poverty and armed conflict, there are many different reasons why people flee.

Development and Peace – Caritas Canada encourages us to reach out to forcibly displaced persons and to share their journey. How?

1) Donate online at devp.org/give or give during the Solidarity Sunday collection on the 5th Sunday of Lent on April 7. The funds collected are used to support over 162 projects in 37 countries around the world!

2) Take part or organize a solidarity walk in solidarity with forcibly displaced persons: devp.org/walk

3) Read the Development and Peace Share Lent materials as a way to encounter children, women and men who have been forcibly displaced and to learn how their partners are making a difference.

This Lenten season, Development and Peace – Caritas Canada invites you to share the journey with people forced to seek refuge, and to reach out and encounter them. We are called to share the journey by learning, reflecting, praying, and taking action. Together, let’s walk on the path of solidarity.

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