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Office Hours

Monday 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Tuesday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.,
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Lord's Day Masses

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.,
8:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday - Saturday 9:00 a.m. (Except Tuesday)
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

Adoration

Fridays in Jul & Aug: 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
Fridays (Sep - Jun): 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

1st Fridays 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Saturdays 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

New Parishioners

Welcome to our parish! If you are new or have not yet registered, we invite you to complete a Parish Registration Form, available on our website or at the entrance of the church. There are various ways to donate to the parish and information is available on our website or through the office.

Sacraments

For information about the sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation, please visit our website or contact the parish office.

Marriages

Couples planning to marry must be registered and practicing parishioners. They are required to contact a parish priest at least one year prior to their intended wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick

If your loved one is homebound and seriously ill, injured, or elderly, please contact the parish office. If your loved one is in the hospital, kindly inform the nursing staff to arrange a visit from a priest.

Catholic Funeral Arrangements

When a death occurs and you wish to request a Catholic funeral, please first contact your funeral home service provider. They will coordinate directly with the parish on your behalf. If you are not using a funeral home service, please contact the parish office for further information.

Diocese of Hamilton

Please visit www.hamiltondiocese.com

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 22, 2026

March 23 – March 29, 2026 WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

DATE	MASS INTENTIONS
MONDAY 9:00am Mass	<u>March 23, 2026</u> Int. of Anna Rog
TUESDAY 7:00pm Mass 7:30pm – 8:30 pm	<u>March 24, 2026</u> Guadalupe & Adan Villasenor Rincon <i>Confessions</i>
WEDNESDAY 9:00am Mass	<u>March 25, 2026</u> - THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD Anita Marie MacLeod
THURSDAY 9:00am Mass	<u>March 26, 2026</u> Anita Marie MacLeod
FRIDAY 9:00am Mass 9:30am – 12:00pm 7:00pm	<u>March 27, 2026</u> Bruce Boliitho <i>Adoration</i> <i>Stations of the Cross</i>
SATURDAY 9:00am Mass Intentions:	<u>March 28, 2026</u>
Gordon Piukkala	Shelley Upshaw
Louise McCullough	Int. of Maria Waldron
Isabelle DePodesta	
No Confessions	
5:00pm Mass Intentions:	
Roberto & Clarita Castro	Fred Henry
Cassius Ustynsky	Frank Miele
Alphonsus Manh Vu	Florence Morrison
Joseph Comeau	Phil Strecker
Mary Carravaggio	
SUNDAY 9:00am 11:00am 8:00pm	<u>March 29, 2026</u> – PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Mass Mass Mass

Vocation View

"Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" Do you believe that your plan is God's plan? If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

Visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday:	Daniel 13.1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-64++, John 8.1-11
Tuesday:	Numbers 21.4-9, John 8.21-30
Wednesday:	Isaiah 7.10-14; 8.10d, Hebrews 10.4-10, Luke 1.26-38
Thursday:	Genesis 17.3.9, John 8.51-59
Friday:	Jeremiah 20.7, 10-13++, John 10.31-42
Saturday:	Ezekiel 37.21-28, John 11.45-56
Sunday:	Matthew 21.1-11, Isaiah 50.4-7, Philippians 2.6-11 Matthew 26.14 - 27.66

HAMILTON DIOCESE WEEKLY PRAYER CALENDAR

We pray for the following people or groups:

Monday:	Rev. Zygmunt Baranowski
Tuesday:	Most Rev. Matthew Ustrzycki
Wednesday:	The Annunciation of the Lord
Thursday:	Rev. Lajos Angyal
Friday:	Rev. Joseph Durkacz
Saturday:	Rev. Tomy Chittinapilly



March 8

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Chrism Mass

The Chrism Mass will be held at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King on **Monday, March 30, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.** No reservation or registration is required. However, if you plan to attend, it is recommended that you arrive early, as parking and seating are limited. The Chrism Mass is where the Sacred Chrism, the Oil of the Sick, and the Oil of Catechumens are blessed by the Bishop for the use in all the parishes throughout the year. This Chrism Mass is also where all the priests of the diocese gather and renew their commitment and promises as priests of the diocese. This Mass, which the Bishop concelebrates with his presbyterate, should be, as it were, a manifestation of the Priests' communion with their Bishop." (Roman Missal) Traditionally, this Mass is held on Holy Thursday, but because of parish schedules and the distance many priests travel to attend, it is usually celebrated on the Monday of Holy Week in our diocese. If you cannot attend, please pray for all the priests on that day.

RCIA Update

On March 21st at the 5:00pm Mass, the Elect, those in RCIA who are to be baptized at the Easter Vigil, participated in the Third Scrutiny. The weekend Gospel story of Jesus raising his friend Lazarus from the dead, fills all of us with the hope of life-giving Spirit and prepares us for our birth to new life as promised to us in Baptism.

Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy will not run on March 29th and April 5th. We use the Children's Liturgy room for overflow seating during our Holy Week Masses. We will resume on April 12th. Wishing all our children and families a meaningful Holy Week. See you back in April when we celebrate the Easter season!

Lent and Easter Schedule

The schedule for Lent and Easter is available on our website. Please note that the last opportunity for Confessions before Easter will be on **March 24th at 7:30 – 8:30 p.m.** Mass times on Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026, will differ from our regular weekend schedule.

Blessing of Easter Foods

The blessing of the Easter Basket containing the foods for the first meal of Easter has been a beloved Catholic tradition for centuries among families of Eastern European origin. Over time, this tradition has been embraced by people of many cultural backgrounds who appreciate its rich symbolism. On Holy Saturday morning, families prepare their Easter baskets and fill them with symbolic foods. The baskets are then brought to church to be blessed during a short service. After the Resurrection Mass on Easter Sunday, families and their guests share the blessed foods and exchange good wishes. Our parish will offer the Blessing of Easter Foods on **Holy Saturday, April 4, at 10:00 a.m.** in the church. More details can be found on our website.

The 40th Anniversary Photo Directory

If you participated in the 40th Anniversary Photo Directory and have not yet received your copy, it is available for pickup in the parish office during regular office hours.

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Annual Impact Report

The SSVV Annual Impact Report for 2025 is now available on our SSVV website. Please visit our website at ssvpstpaulburlington.com to read the report. A copy is also posted on the bulletin board at the entrance to the church. Thank you once again for the incredible support that our ministry receives from the parishioners, church staff and parish groups.



The Annunciation

The Angel Gabriel appeared and all of Heaven trembled in anticipation. Mary gives her fiat and our long wait is over! Generation after generation of longing and aching for a Messiah comes to fulfillment.

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SSVP Monthly Collection

Thank you to our parishioners for sharing the work of SSVV through your generous donations. Our monthly in-person collection takes place March 28/29 after all Masses. Your financial contributions allow us to provide much needed assistance to families and individuals in need. To obtain an income tax receipt for your contribution, please use a blue envelope, available at the entrance to the church.



DIocese of HAMILTON

Listening and Fasting: Pope Leo XIV's Message For Lent 2026

Pope Leo XIV's message for Lent 2026, entitled "Listening and fasting. Lent as a time of Conversion," was published on Friday, February 13, by the Holy See Press Office. To read Pope Leo's message, and download a helpful infographic, visit the Dicastery for Integral Human Development here: www.humandevlopment.va.

ReSTART: Moving Forward (New Dates)

Have you experienced a divorce or separation? Are you looking to learn ways to cope, for support from others and to gain a feeling of moving forward? Our 10-week program offers education and support to anyone seeking to heal or simply learn more. The sessions will run **Tuesdays from April 6– June 16** from 7-9 pm and are held at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West in person. Cost is \$35 for materials, but no one is turned away. Registration online can be found by going to hamiltondiocese.com and looking for the date under Upcoming Events, or by contacting Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249 or at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com.

Enhancing self-esteem (New Dates)

This program provides the opportunity to increase awareness of yourself and to learn specific skills for building positive self-esteem. It can help you to feel stronger in all areas of your life. Issues covered during the course include taking responsibility for your own thoughts and feelings, positive ways to behave assertively and setting realistic goals for your future. The program will run **Tuesdays from April 6 – June 9** from 7-9 pm and are held at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West Hamilton. Cost is \$35 for materials. Registration online can be found by going to hamiltondiocese.com and looking for the date under Upcoming Events, or by contacting Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com.

Parenting Tip

Parenting is a profound vocation, one that requires great stamina and loads of love. Fortunately, God has provided parents with both! Character is at the forefront of all parenting because our kids are watching more than listening! The task of parents, once they bring life into this world, is to center themselves on guiding their child(ren) to maturity. It is a job that requires ongoing learning, teaching and always witnessing to our faith. No one has a greater influence on a child than their parents. Embrace your vocation with dedication and perseverance. Ask God for guidance and support and be confident that your children, by observing you, will learn to be wonderful, faith filled adults whose lives will be find joy and success! (Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.



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