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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

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD MARCH 29, 2026

March 30 – April 5, 2026 HOLY WEEK

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| MONDAY 9:00am Mass 2:00pm Chrism Mass | <u>March 30, 2026</u> Int. of Mathew, Jossie Andrade & Family Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King |
| TUESDAY 7:00pm Mass | <u>March 31, 2026</u> Beatrice Elizabeth Delaney |
| WEDNESDAY 9:00am Mass | <u>April 1, 2026</u> Michael Bennardo |
| THURSDAY No Morning Mass 8:00pm Adoration following Mass until 11:00pm. | <u>April 2, 2026 – HOLY THURSDAY</u> Mass of the Lord's Supper (<i>With Incense</i>) |
| FRIDAY Day of Fasting and Abstinence No Morning Mass/No Confessions 12:00 Noon 3:00pm 7:00pm | <u>April 3, 2026 – GOOD FRIDAY</u> Solemn Liturgy Solemn Liturgy Stations of the Cross |
| SATURDAY No Morning Mass/No Confessions 10:00am 8:00pm | <u>April 4, 2026 – HOLY SATURDAY</u> Blessing of the Easter Foods Solemn Easter Vigil (<i>With Incense</i>) |
| SUNDAY 8:00am 10:00am 12:00 Noon No Evening Mass | <u>April 5, 2026 – THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD</u> Mass Mass Mass (<i>With Incense</i>) |

Vocation View

"Blessed is the one who comes in the Name of the Lord!" Are you being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.
E-mail vocations@hamiltondiocese.com
Visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK

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| Monday: | Isaiah 42.1-7, John 12.1-11 |
| Tuesday: | Isaiah 49.1-6, John 13.21-33, 36-38 |
| Wednesday: | Isaiah 50.4-9a, Matthew 26.14-26 |
| Thursday: | Exodus 12.1-8, 11-14, 1 Corinthians 11.23-26, John 13.1-15 |
| Friday: | Isaiah 52.13 – 53.12, Hebrews 4.14-16; 5.7-9, John 18.1 – 19.42 |
| Saturday: | Genesis 1.1 – 2.2, Genesis 22.1-18, Exodus 14.15-31; 15.20, 1++, Isaiah 54.5-14, Isaiah 55.1-11, Baruch 3.9-15, 32 – 4.4, Ezekiel 36.16-17a, 18-28, Romans 6.3-11, Matthew 28.1-10 |
| Sunday: | Acts 10.34a, 37-43, Colossians 3.1-4, John 20.1-18+ |

HAMILTON DIOCESE WEEKLY PRAYER CALENDAR

We pray for the following people or groups:

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| Monday: | Rev. David Mowat, C.R. |
| Tuesday: | Rev. Gregory Merkley |
| Wednesday: | Oblates of Mary Immaculate, O.M.I. |



March 15, 2026

\$ 10,735.00

Good Friday - A Day of Fasting and Abstinence

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are the 2 days of abstinence in Canada where all Catholics who are 14 years old and above are obliged to abstain from meat. All Catholics between 18 and 60 are also required to fast on these days. There are no specific guidelines for what "fasting" means in Canada; but as an example of what a fast might look like, in the United States, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. Those who can are encouraged to maintain the fast through Holy Saturday in anticipation of the Resurrection of our Lord.

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.

RCIA This Week

As the Elect and Candidates, their godparents and sponsors, journey closer to the Easter Vigil, may they receive the prayers, support, and encouragement of the parish community. In these final days their focus is prayer as they reflect on the journey of the past months that will lead them to full reception into the faith. We will be baptizing 5 adults and 3 youth and bringing into full reception 5 adults and 1 youth. As you enter the Triduum please keep them in your prayers.

Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy will not run on Easter Sunday. 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!

Crosses and Statues

The crosses and statues in the church will be shrouded until the celebration of Easter. This is done during the final two weeks of Lent to heighten our senses and awareness that Easter is quickly approaching. We "fast" from looking at the beauty of our church as we enter the final days of our Lenten preparation, and to grow in the anticipation of Easter Sunday.

Good Friday Collection

The annual Good Friday Collection will take place on April 3, 2026. The collection helps the Church of the Holy Land to maintain Christian sites, so important for Christians everywhere, and to provide pastoral, educational, and social works among the small Christian population there. The Church and our Christian brothers and sisters count on your help to retain a faith filled Christian presence in this land of our Lord. For more information, please visit <https://commissariat.ca>

Office Hours

Please note the office will be closed Good Friday, April 3rd and Easter Monday, April 6th.



Triduum: A Spiritual Pilgrimage

Triduum: A Spiritual Pilgrimage cinematically walks through the locations of the Holy Week story, representing the most important days of human history. Immersed in the Holy Land, the pilgrim is brought tangibly nearer to the story, the landscape, and the reality of the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

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St. Gabriel's Fundraising Gala – April 11, 2026

Parishioners from our neighbouring parish community are warmly invited to join us for an evening of fellowship, fine dining and support of the St. Gabriel's Parish Hall Remodel Project. Your presence and generosity will help create a welcoming space for parish ministries, celebrations and community life. For more information and to buy tickets visit: <https://www.saintgabrielgala.com>. We look forward to worshipping, celebrating and strengthening our parish community together!



DIocese of HAMILTON

The Journey Continues: The Synod on Synodality

The Synod on Synodality is not over! The Universal Church has entered the "Implementation Phase" (2025-2028), inviting a careful reading of the final document of the Synodal journey to help shape a more listening, participatory church. You are encouraged to read the final document of the Synod on Synodality, described by Pope Francis as a 'Gift to the People of God.' Learn how we can better walk together in communion, participation, and mission. Access it at www.synod.va.

Jubilee Year of St. Francis of Assisi

From Jan 10, 2026 to Jan 10, 2027, the Church marks a special Jubilee Year of Saint Francis of Assisi on the 800th anniversary of his death. During this year, the faithful may obtain a plenary indulgence by fulfilling the usual conditions (confession, Communion, prayer for the Holy Father, detachment from sin) and engaging in acts inspired by the Franciscan spirit, such as pilgrimage, prayer, works of charity, and humble service. To learn more about this Holy Year, visit <https://bit.ly/yearoffrancis>.

Young Adults Night

Fr. Mark Morley invites young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of fellowship and music as you discern your vocation and as we celebrate the Easter Season. The Young Adults Night includes a social with food (7:00pm-8:00pm) followed by a vocations testimony and praise music ending with Compline (9:00pm) on **Saturday, April 11th** (note Second Saturday, not First Saturday) at Mount Mary Retreat Centre (437 Wilson Street East, Ancaster, ON). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/> For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

Vocations Recognition Dinner 2026

The Serra Club of Hamilton warmly invites you to attend the 23rd Annual Vocations Recognition Dinner on **Wednesday, April 29, 2026**, at Liuna Station to celebrate the dedicated service of our Priests, Deacons, Religious Brothers and Sisters, and Consecrated Virgins in the Diocese of Hamilton. Milestone anniversaries will be honored and we will hear the inspiring faith journeys of this year's ordinandi and candidates. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$90 per person. For more information and to order tickets, visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/>. This event is co-sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton.



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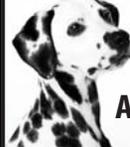
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