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LORD'S DAY MASSES
Saturday: 5:00 P.M.

Sunday: 9:00 A.M.; 11:00 A.M.; 8:00 P.M.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Friday 9:30 - 10:00 A.M.

Saturday 9:30 - 10:00 A.M. and 4:00-4:30 P.M.

or by appointment

BAPTISMS

If you are seeking baptism for your child, please complete the <u>Request for Baptism</u> form found on our website and email to <u>aouellette@hamiltondiocese.com</u> or drop off in person at the parish office.

MARRIAGES

Couples planning to be married must contact the priest one <u>year in advance</u>. You must be a registered parishioner, attending this parish.

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WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Saturday: 9:00 A.M. (Except Tuesdays)

Tuesday ONLY: 7:00 P.M.

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.

NEW PARISHIONERS

If you wish to become a member of the parish, we invite you to take time to register by completing a Parish Registration Form available on our parish website. The forms are also available at the parish office if you require a hard copy. If you are currently registered and now wish to use Offertory Envelopes please complete the registration form and return to the parish office or drop in the Offertory basket. If you wish to sign up for Pre-Authorized Debit please complete the form available on our website. These forms are also available at the parish office.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

All bulletin announcements must be received by the parish secretary no later than Monday at noon to ensure publication in the upcoming Sunday bulletin. All announcements and inserts are subject to the pastor's approval.

PARISH SCHOOLS

Canadian Martyrs	3201 Lansdown Drive	905-336-5792	Michelle Kotulak, Principal
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Saint Timothy	2141 Deer Run Avenue	905-332-5253	Anna Marie Toltl, Principal
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 11, 2025

May 12 – May 18, 2025 **WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE**

DATE MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY May 12, 2025

9:00am Mass Int. of Marilyn Sturtevant

TUESDAY
7:00pm Mass
May 13, 2025
Int. of Sasha Haefner

<u>WEDNESDAY</u> <u>May 14, 2025</u> – ST. MATTHIAS, APOSTLE

9:00am Mass Adam McKay

THURSDAY May 15, 2025 9:00am Mass Wendy Martin

FRIDAY May 16, 2025

9:00am Mass Int. of Anne- Marie Rodrigues

9:30am - 10:00am Confessions 9:30am - 12:00pm Adoration

SATURDAY *May* 17, 2025

9:00am Mass Intentions:

James MacPherson Norman & Lorraine Blower & Family

Helen McHugh Int. of Kathleen Donnelly Souls in Purgatory Int. of Sasha & Sean Haefner

9:30am - 10:00am Confessions 4:00pm - 4:30pm Confessions 5:00pm Mass Intentions:

> Serafina Piccirillo Patricia Christine Manzi Dino Parisse Geoffrey Quinn Rosa Parisse Int. of D'Penha Family

Donato Fiorillo Int. of Rennie & Howard Arsenault

SUNDAY May 18, 2025 – FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9:00am Mass (Livestream)

11:00am Mass 8:00pm Mass

Vocation View

On this Good Shepherd Sunday, we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

E-mail <u>vocations@hamiltondiocese.com</u>
Visit: https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 11.1-18, John 10.1-10
Tuesday: Acts 11.19-26, John 10.22-30
Wednesday: Acts 1.15-17, 20-26, John 15.9-17
Thursday: Acts 13.13-25, John 13.16-20
Friday: Acts 13.26-33, John 14.1-6
Saturday: Acts 13.44-52, John 14.7-14
Sunday: Acts 14.21b-27, Revelation 21.1-5a
John 13.1, 31-33a, 34-35++

HAMILTON DIOCESE WEEKLY PRAYER CALENDAR

We pray for the following people or groups: Monday: Rev. Joe S. Selvanayagam Tuesday: Rev. Anton Sebamalai

Wednesday: Sisters Servant of Mary Immaculate, S.S.M.I.

Thursday: Rev. Msgr. Earl Talbot Friday: Rev. Peter Meyer Saturday: Rev. Timothy Higgins



April 27 \$ 16,485.32

First Communion Preparation

Sacramental preparation for First Holy Communion for children attending Catholic schools is ongoing. Our clergy are currently visiting Grade 2 children in their classrooms to help them in their preparation. Parent & Child Meetings will be held at the parish on May 7th, 9th and 10th. Their sacramental celebrations will be held on May 31st & June 7th. Please keep all these young children in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Eucharist for the first time.

Shifra Homes Baby Bottle Campaign

St. Paul's will once again be supporting another Baby Bottle Campaign for Shifra Homes. Shifra Homes is the only maternity residence in Burlington and provides support services to young women during their pregnancy, childbirth



and for a period of 6 months after the birth of their baby. Shifra Homes opened their 3rd home and now provides housing to 17 moms at any given time. Starting Mother's Day weekend, Saturday May 10th, 2025, you will have an opportunity to support the work of Shifra Homes and pick up a baby bottle for this campaign at the church doors. For the next 4 weeks, please fill a baby bottle up with your loose coins, bills, and cheques - cheques may be made out to Shifra Homes Inc. Your contributions will assist in creating a home-like environment for young women and their babies at Shifra Homes. Please return baby bottles to the church any weekend through June 15, 2025.

Catholic Women's League (CWL)

Please join us for a May crowning celebration of our Blessed Mother on Tuesday May 13th following the 7pm Mass. All are welcome to join us as we pray a Living Rosary in front of the altar and crown our Blessed Mother's statue with flowers – a brief General Meeting to follow in the parish hall. Please note that there will be $\underline{\text{NO}}$ MEETING on Monday prior. Our next Mass Intention will be for All Mothers on Saturday May 24^{th} @ 9 am. To all mothers of our St Paul's Parish Community – Have a Blessed Mother's Day!

May Charity Bottle Drive

The Knights of Columbus return with our May Charity Bottle Drive on Saturday, May 24 and Sunday, May 25 from 10AM to 1PM both days at St. Paul The Apostle's church parking lot. All liquor, beer and wine containers, cans and bottles are welcomed. Please continue to hold onto your empties and we hope to see you there! 100% of all money raised goes to our designated charities. Further information can be found on our website www.kofc17397.org. In lieu of empties we also accept cash donations to support our charitable works.

40th Anniversary Photo Directory

St Paul the Apostle Parish is approaching the milestone of our **40th Anniversary!** Your presence in our church congregation is a **significant** part of this celebration. We formally invite all parishioners and their families to participate in our parish photo directory to capture the vibrant, generous and blessed community we have here at St. Paul's.

For more information and to sign up for your photo session, please see the parish's 40th Anniversary webpage or, by use this QR code: Our last photo session dates are in May. Thank you to everyone who has already participated.



Rosaries for Africa

Most Rev. Matthew Ustrzycki has been supplying the poor areas of Africa with rosaries for several years. If you have rosaries that you are no longer in need of, please feel free to bring them to the parish, and we will ensure that Bishop Ustrzycki receives them. The donation basket can be found in the cloakroom.





The Day the Sun Danced: The True Story of Fatima

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An offering from the Augustine Institute

Ask Father... What is a Mission?

On June 25, I will be appointed to be pastor of St. Mary's in Owen Sound, and *the missions*. Many people have asked, what is a mission?

Firstly, a *parish* is usually defined as a certain geographical area, but it can be defined also by rite, language, or nationality. There is usually one main church in the parish, where the liturgical celebrations are held. A *parish* must have a stable community of believers and must be entrusted to the care of a *pastor*. A parish also has to meet other requirements, such as having a finance council, retaining sacramental records, having a parish seal, and it is its own legal entity.

A *mission*, is a faith community that is within the geographical bounds of a parish, that does not fulfil the requirements to be its own parish. This can be for various reasons, such as a lack of a stable community, or the community is too small to support itself and a pastor. Such a community is said to be a *mission* of the parish in which it is. The pastor of the parish oversees the governance and pastoral care of the missions within his parish.

Practically speaking in Owen Sound, most of the liturgical celebrations (Daily Mass, Adoration, First Communions, Confirmations, Weddings, Funerals) will be held in Owen Sound at St. Mary's. Each weekend, the priests will visit the missions and celebrate the Sunday Liturgy for the local residents. I will have an associate, and one or two retired priests to assist with the weekend Masses. I am looking forward to the different set of pastoral responsibilities and challenges that will be waiting for me there. The parish of Owen Sound is about 1/3 of the area of the Diocese of Hamilton, so geographically speaking, it is the largest parish in the Diocese! There will be lots of driving, to the various missions in the parish, such as Meaford (28km East), Chatsworth (14km South), Sauble Beach (32 km West), and Tobermory (108 km North). Within this area, there are about 2800 registered parishioners. It will certainly be a different experience as a priest than at St. Paul's, but I welcome the change and look forward to serving the people of St. Mary's and the Missions. Please keep me in your prayers.

Fr. John Schnurr

Apostolate of the Cross Retreat at St. Matthew Parish Raised with Christ, Led by the Spirit

Apostolate of the Cross invites us to reflect on the experience of the Resurrection of our Lord and the transformative journey of the disciples - from feeling disoriented after Jesus' death to becoming witnesses of the Risen Lord. We will delve into the work of the Holy Spirit on the Mystical Body of Christ and our call to cultivate a deeper relationship with the Third Person of the Holy Trinity. The retreat includes 45 minutes of presentation, time for personal reflection and subsequent discussion in small groups. All parishioners and guests are welcome to attend. The retreat will take place in the **St. Matthew Parish** Hall in Oakville on Saturday, May 17 - 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM.

National Week of Family and Life: May 11-18th

Dioceses and parishes across Canada are celebrating National Family and Life Week (NFLW) from May 11 to May 18th. The theme for this year is "Abound in hope!" – a powerful message from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans. As we journey together as "Pilgrims of Hope" in this Jubilee Year, let us reflect on the gift of hope God gives us through our families. For more information please visit: https://hamiltondiocese.com/

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