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**OFFICE HOURS:**

**Monday - Thursday 9:00am - 4:00pm**

**Friday 9:00am -12:00noon**

**WEEKDAY MASS:**

*Tuesday, 7:00pm  
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday  
9:00am*

**SUNDAY MASS:**

*Saturday, 5:00pm  
Sunday, 9:00am, 11:00am*

**RECONCILIATION:**

*Tuesday, 6:15pm -6:45pm  
Saturday, 4:00-4:30pm  
(or by appointment)*

**BAPTISMS:** Please contact the office at least 3 months prior to desired date.

**Becoming Catholic-RCIA:** For those not Baptized, or who have not yet completed their initiation, please call the office or speak to one of the priests.

**CATHOLIC CEMETERIES:** [www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca](http://www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca) 905-522-7727

**CHURCH HALL AND CONFERENCE ROOMS:** If you wish to book the Hall or a Conference Room please email our Hall Manager at [scos.facility@outlook.com](mailto:scos.facility@outlook.com)

**FUNERALS:** When a family death occurs, please contact the office for assistance with arrangements.

**MARRIAGE:** Couples intending to marry, kindly contact the office about a year in advance.  
Wedding Anniversary Blessing on the last Sunday of the month.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:** Do you know someone in need? Please contact 905-512-5475 or visit our website at <https://www.ssvphamiltonpc.org/scos>

**VOCATIONS:** Diocese of Hamilton [www.hamiltonvocations.com](http://www.hamiltonvocations.com)

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN OUR PARISH:**

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## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

### ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

#### Our Financial Stewardship:

*The foundation of all stewardship is a generous heart.*

April 19/20 2025 \$ 11,614.30

Good Friday \$ 4400.70 Easter \$ 17,313.00


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### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



<b>Tues Apr 29</b> 	<b>7:00pm</b>	Vittorio Salvi Darryl Browne Barbara Huddleston Salvatore Billone Jennie Billone Grazia Billone Angela Marchese <b>PARISH FEAST DAY</b>
<b>Wed Apr 30</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	George Parker
<b>Thurs May 1</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	Herculano Botelho
<b>Fri May 2</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	Barbara Huddleston Laura Pereira Beatriz & Jose Andrade Lilla Cino
<b>Sat May 3</b>	<b>5:00pm</b>	Toni Cristocini James Donald Joseph & Eileen Riley Salvatore Billone Alfonso De Luca Nell Sawula
<b>Sun May 4</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	Danica Simatovie Corrado Susi Douglas Tomlinson Helena & John Krol
<b>Sun May 4</b>	<b>11:00am</b>	Anna Zavodni

### EASTER FLOWERS: THANKS

The beautiful flowers used for decorating the church this Easter were donated by members of the Catholic Women's League. We thank them for this generous gift. Also, a special donation for Easter flowers was made in memory of Jean Simpson, who served on the decorating committee at Corpus Christi Parish and loved gardening. We thank her family for that generous gift. Both of these donations allowed us to have many beautiful lilies and flowers for Easter.

### Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

<b>Mon</b>	Rev. Francis Noronha, C.S.C.
<b>Tues</b>	Rev. Shajymon Mandapathikunnel Lucka, C.S.C.
<b>Wed</b>	Permanent Deacons
<b>Thurs</b>	Rev. Michael Isabelle
<b>Fri</b>	Rev. Alberto Ferreira
<b>Sat</b>	Rev. Gary Schlack

### Second Sunday of Easter - April 27, 2025

Thomas believed because he saw Jesus. What will it take for you to respond to God's Call to priesthood, diaconate, or consecrated life? If God is calling you contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)  
[hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/)

### PARISH FEAST DAY AND 30<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION FOR FR. ED HAMPSON

Tuesday April 29, 7pm Mass: April 29 is the Feast day of St. Catherine of Siena, our parish patroness. At that Mass we will light our Dedication candles as a reminder of our Dedication Mass when the church was blessed. After the Mass, those who would like, will go to our parish hall to watch a short video about the life of St. Catherine of Siena. Everyone is welcome to come out.

30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination for Fr. Ed Hampson. Fr. Ed was a former pastor at Corpus Christi Parish. To celebrate his 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination, he will be presiding and preaching at our Feast Day Mass on April 29 at 7pm.

### ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY

St. Elizabeth of Hungary Chapel at Rymal and Garth (391 Rymal Rd. W.) is a part of our parish. Everyone is welcome to attend. Daily weekday Mass at 8:30am, Sun. Mass at 9:30am.

### SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Society Of St. Vincent De Paul is sponsoring a lottery with first prize being \$2000. Tickets \$5.00 each or five for \$20. Tickets are available this weekend after all masses, for our annual dinner dance at Michelangelo's on Friday, May 16. Cost is \$80. Please call 905 521-5475

Precious Moments ~ We are requesting dresses and suits for the upcoming graduation season. Donations of dresses, suits, shoes, and accessories will be accepted, April 26th and 27th. Please have clean clothing suitable for youth brought in on hangers cleaned. **Items will not be accepted after the 27th.** <https://ssvphamiltonpc.org/news/>

## **FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATIONS 2025**

Sat. Apr. 26<sup>th</sup> – 10am St. John Paul II School  
Sat. Apr. 26<sup>th</sup> – 2pm St. Teresa of Calcutta School  
Sat. May 3<sup>rd</sup> – 2pm St. Marguerite d'Youville School  
Sun. May 4<sup>th</sup> – 2pm Corpus Christi School  
Sun. May 4<sup>th</sup> – 9am & 11am Mass (registered parishioners that attend a non-feeder school)

**JOURNEY OF ENCOUNTER:** Are you interested in dialogue with fellow Catholics about the challenges and the joys, the hopes and the fears that go with trying to follow Jesus in our place and time? On June 15-18 2025, at St. Jerome's University in Waterloo, Ontario, lay, clergy, and religious Catholics from across Canada will gather to experience first-hand the idea of synodality. Guided by Canadian Synod delegates who attended the meetings in Rome in 2023 and 2024, and supported by a Steering Committee of leaders from many Canadian Catholic organizations, we will gather, pray, listen, speak and celebrate! If you are aged 18 to 90+ and want to learn more about synodality, this gathering is for you. Visit [www.synodalchurch.ca](http://www.synodalchurch.ca) for more info.

**STRUGGLING WITH THE IMPACT OF DIVORCE OR SEPARATION?** You're not alone! Join the award-winning Critical Mass for an inspiring two-day retreat, where music, testimonies, and faith-filled discussions will guide you toward hope and healing. Don't miss this chance to reconnect with your faith and find strength in community—space is limited to 25 participants, so register early! We are offering a choice of two retreat weekends: Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Waterloo on May 23/24 **or** St. Catherine of Siena Parish in Hamilton on May 30/31. Friday evening from 6:45- 9:30 PM and Saturday from 8:45 – 4:00 PM. Register now by emailing [davefromcm@gmail.com](mailto:davefromcm@gmail.com) or calling 519-572-6962 or visiting <https://www.criticalmassmusic.org/tour-dates>. Cost is \$130 and includes materials, snacks and lunch; early bird special by April 30<sup>th</sup> of \$100.

## **PALLIATIVE CARE SERVICES**

Do you have a few hours each week to make a meaningful impact? Looking for a meaningful experience in palliative care? VON, in partnership with St. Joseph's Health Care London Site (FREE fundamentals training) is offering a unique volunteer opportunity in our Palliative Care Volunteer Visiting Program. For more information or to apply, contact: Viola Galamini, Program Coordinator – Volunteer Recruitment and Retention Community Support Service, HNHB at 289-680-3244

## **HEART 2 HANDS MINISTRY**

On behalf of the St. Catherine of Siena Heart2Hands Ministry we want to thank you for your continued support with milk bag donations. In the last 3 years, as a result of your donations, we have been able to make and donate over 150 mats and pillows to those in need. Currently, we have a surplus of milk bags and would like to just “pause” the milk bag collection at this time. We will reach out again when we need to replenish. In the meantime, either hang on to your milk bags or recycle. Thank you, Maria and Elizabeth.

## **THE PRIEST MOVES FOR THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON HAVE BEEN ANNOUNCED.**

*Our Associate Pastor, Fr. Peter Robinson*, has been appointed as Pastor of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish in Freelon. We have been blessed with his ministry here in our parish for the past two years, including during our move into our new church. I am glad that he will now be able to bless another community as Pastor. We also thank his wife Simone who has shared her gifts in our parish in a variety of different ways, starting our Grief Workshops, the promotion of Formed and other spiritual retreats she offered.

*Our new Associate Pastor is Joonbin Lim*. He will be ordained a priest for our Diocese of Hamilton on Saturday May 3, 11am at the Cathedral. You are all welcome to attend his ordination. We look forward to his arrival and his ministry in our parish. The official dates of the moves will be on Wednesday June 25. So, you have time to say goodbye to Fr. Peter and Simone.

## **PARISH RAFFLE:**

In the effort to finish the sale of our raffle tickets, the Finance Committee has prepared envelopes with 5 tickets. We are hoping to have 500 of these envelopes taken. You can buy or sell the tickets and return the envelope with the stubs and the \$125. If 500 parishioners take and return an envelope then our raffle fundraising will be a great success towards our church debt. Of course, you are welcome to take more than one envelope of tickets. Reminder that there are still several monthly draws available and the grand prizes which will be drawn in September. The tickets can be nice birthday gifts or special gifts for mother's day, father's day, etc.

They will be available at all Masses next weekend when the parish financial report will be presented.

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