

Holy Rosary Parish Community

287 Plains Road East - Burlington, Ontario L7T 2C7

**Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary,
Pray for us.**



Mission Statement

Holy Rosary Burlington Catholic Parish Community, disciples sent forth by the Holy Spirit to live and proclaim Christ Jesus, strives to constantly grow in faith, vibrant worship, warm welcome to all, and compassionate outreach, to be a vital witness of care and hope wherever the Lord needs us.

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Parish Office Hours

Tuesday to Thursday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Friday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Office closed - Sat. / Sun. / Mon.

Masses on the Lord's Day

Saturday 5 p.m. | Sunday 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

Weekday Mass

Tuesday - Friday 8 a.m. (Rosary at 7:30 a.m.)

Confessions

Saturday 3:45 - 4:30 p.m.

New Parishioners

We welcome you. Please introduce yourself and complete a registration form in the book rack at the church entrance.

Pastoral Care of the Sick and Homebound

Please contact the office whenever a family member is hospitalized or confined to home. Privacy law prohibits the parish from obtaining information from the hospital. Parish staff and volunteers visit the sick and homebound regularly and bring Communion to those unable to come to the church. Call the office if you or a member of your family wishes to receive the Anointing of the Sick.

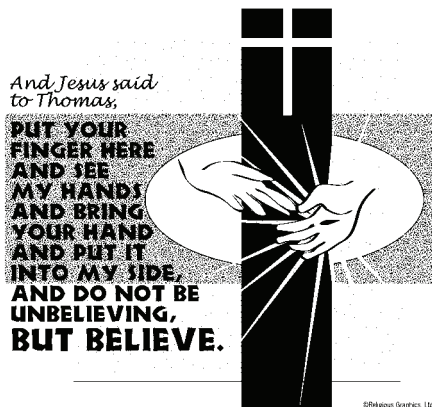
Remember Your Parish

Keep your love for your parish alive. Remember Holy Rosary Parish in your will and when recommending expressions of sympathy.

Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy

April 27, 2025

Give thanks to God,
for His mercy endures!



REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week.
The Gospel for the Third Sunday of Easter
is: **John 21.1-19**

OUR GIFTS TO GOD April 20th Collection

Easter Envelopes	Easter Loose	Pre-Authorized Debit	Good Friday Envelopes & Loose
\$ 15,247	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,510	\$ 3,666

We thank you for your continued dedicated and regular financial support of Holy Rosary Parish.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. April 28	Rev. Francis Noronha, C.S.C.
Tues. April 29	Rev. Shajmon Mandapathikunnel Lucka, C.S.C.
Wed. April 30	Permanent Deacons
Thurs. May 1	Rev. Michael Isabelle International Workers Day
Fri. May 2	Rev. Alberto Ferreira
Sat. May 3	Rev. Gary Schlack



CHAIR YOGA

We are excited to announce a **9-week Chair Yoga session** starting **May 1st**. **Full session cost: \$45.00 Drop-ins** are welcome at **\$6.00 per class**. This gentle and accessible yoga practice is perfect for all levels, especially those looking to improve mobility and flexibility from a seated position.

Mass Intentions

(8:00 a.m. unless otherwise noted)



Join us in praying for the Rosary for Vocations before Mass.

The rosary starts at 7:30 a.m.

Tues., April 29	†Sister Margaret Liethen SSND
Wed., April 30	†Ludka Mikulasko
Thurs., May 1	†Jorge De Sousa
Fri., May 2	†Luigi Mancini
Sat., May 3	Intentions of The Assumption Secondary School and Staff †Bob Weber †Ilario Marchesan †Laura De Sousa



12 HOURS OF PRAYER FOR PALLIATIVE CARE

Sponsored by the Catholic Women's League, **this Friday, May 2nd**, beginning after 8:00 A.M. Mass and continuing through to 8:00 P.M., in the presence of the exposed Blessed Sacrament. Sign-up will be available soon in the entranceway to schedule yourself for a time of personal prayer during that day. Donations to the excellent work of the Carpenter Hospice will be gratefully accepted. More information to come. It is well documented that more effective, available palliative care significantly reduces the felt need to seek Medical Aid in Dying (MAiD). Our Diocesan website has an entire section on the meaning and value of palliative care. Check it out at: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/palliative.care>.

PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT FOR DIOCESAN AND SPECIAL COLLECTIONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

Several years ago, pre-authorized debiting was offered to parishioners for our regular Sunday collection. Eighty people, including your pastor, contribute to the parish using this method. We have now set up PAD so parishioners can contribute regularly on a weekly or monthly basis and to Diocesan and Special Collections, including the Building Maintenance fund, through the Pre-Authorized Debiting system. **A new form has been placed in the main entrance for this purpose.** If existing PAD users wish to change their contributions or add amounts for Special Collections, they should use the new forms. For those who use PAD, we will continue issuing envelopes **for those who request them**, or they may use a visitor's envelope to place in the collection. Contributors may change or top up their contributions at any time by contacting the parish office.

We find that people are increasingly not carrying cash. In consultation with the Finance Advisory Council, we are investigating ways to make it convenient for people to contribute to the parish by tapping their credit or debit card, or using Apple Pay and other electronic payment means. These methods are increasingly being offered in our parishes. **This method will work for people who wish to donate but do not wish to receive a tax receipt.** We will also provide a terminal for people in the office to use for mass intentions, sacramental preparation fees, hall rentals

and insurance, making it convenient for those who do not use cash. We are finding the most economical, reliable, and straightforward method for the parish and will soon provide more information once a solution is decided upon.

RESTORED PROCEDURES FOR BRINGING COMMUNION TO THE SICK EFFECTIVE MAY 10-11, 2025

All people bringing communion to parishioners other than immediate family members need to complete Vulnerable Sector Volunteer Screening. This involves a police check for new ministers or an attestation of no offences for those who submitted a police check at an earlier screening. Those who bring communion to a family member must complete a simple form and submit it to our Volunteer Screening Coordinator. These are the policies of the Diocese of Hamilton and must be followed.

All people bringing communion to the sick are respectfully requested to carry the Eucharist in a pyx within a burse around their neck and not in pocket or purse. In a time when many Catholics do not believe in the real presence in the Eucharist, we must show appropriate reverence for Christ, whom we carry sacramentally. For this purpose, we are issuing burses containing the name of the Eucharistic minister or the Lifecare Centre where they bring communion. These will be issued by the Volunteer Screening Coordinator when the screening is complete.

Effective on the weekend of May 10-11, 2025, we will discontinue placing pyxes on the altar before Mass and removing them from the altar following Mass. **If you have not met our volunteer screener, Dianne Taylor, please arrange to see her as soon as possible.** Pyxes and burses are to be prepared as explained to the ministers. This involves placing the required number of unconsecrated hosts in the pyx and inserting the pyx partly into the burse, as illustrated and putting them on the silver tray on the offertory table. These will be brought forward with the gifts of bread and wine at the offertory time. It is essential that a Burse is used with the minister's name, so the presider knows which burse belongs to each minister.

These hosts will be consecrated and presented to all ministers following the prayer after communion at the front of the church (as you have seen with some of our ministers to the sick). Those carrying communion should leave immediately to bring communion to the communicant(s). Under no circumstances should the Eucharist be kept at home at any time.

MANY THANKS TO THOSE WHO HAVE HELPED OUR TRIDUUM SERVICES TO BE SO INSPIRING AND BEAUTIFUL!

We are very grateful to the many people who have worked behind the scenes to make our Easter Triduum celebrations prayerful and joyous. Thanks to our Music Director, Trevor Price and Vicky Chen, our organists, musicians, choir members, cantors servers, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, and ushers. To those who graciously had their feet washed on Holy Thursday, those who carried the Cross on Good

Friday, and the many people who participated in these Liturgies, many thanks!

Thank you also to Janet James and Mary Edmonston for overseeing the decoration of the Church, with special thanks to Mary Edmonston for her invaluable help in making sure everything was set up and organized for each Liturgy, and thanks also to Dianne Taylor for assisting with the lights at the Easter Vigil, and to Blair and Jonathan Breckenridge for providing the Easter fire. Thanks also to Deacon Stephane Zara for his ministry during this holy season. We received many compliments from our parishioners and visitors. Well done, good and faithful servants of God!

OUT-4-LUNCH HAS RESUMED!

The revived Out-4-Lunch program had a successful launch this past Monday! It will be offered on one Monday each month---next gatherings on May 5th and June 2nd, starting at Noon. Supported by all Aldershot churches and hosted at Saint Matthew's Anglican Church, 126 Plains Road East. Enter off the rear parking lot. Especially for Seniors, but open to everyone. Cash donations gratefully accepted. Thanks to all the volunteers whose hard work in planning and preparation made this community event possible again!

HALTON ALIVE-WALK FOR LIFE

 Join Halton Alive on **Saturday, May 31st** for the annual Walk for Life—a 5k walk to honour the 100,000 unborn lives lost to abortion each year and support life-affirming outreach in our community. Enjoy a family-friendly morning filled with purpose, connection, and a delicious BBQ to follow! The Walk begins at **9:30 am at Burlington Christian Fellowship** (2054 Mountainside Dr.) Can't attend in person? Walk in your own neighbourhood with friends! **Register for free** at www.haltonalive.ca/w4l and start fundraising. Every step makes a difference!

WELCOME AND THANKS TO FR. ED HAMPSON

We warmly welcome Fr. Ed Hampson, who is celebrating the masses this weekend while Fr. Dave is in Rome attending the canonization of Blessed Carlo Acutis. Fr. Ed. is well known to many of our parishioners.

We hope Fr. Hampson will enjoy his time with us this weekend as he experiences the welcome and warmth of Holy Rosary Parishioners.

SEMINARIAN INTERN FOR THE SUMMER

We are pleased to welcome a seminarian intern to Holy Rosary Parish from May through August. The seminarian who will be joining us is Kyle Davidson, completing his Propaedeutic Year at the Seminary. The propaedeutic year is a year of discernment for men who feel called to the priesthood, before they enter the rigorous studies of seminary formation. It is an introductory year focused on spiritual and human growth. The program introduces spiritual direction, lectio divina, and daily lessons in spiritual practice. We are delighted to welcome Kyle and to support him as he continues his seminary formation.

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