

# **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.

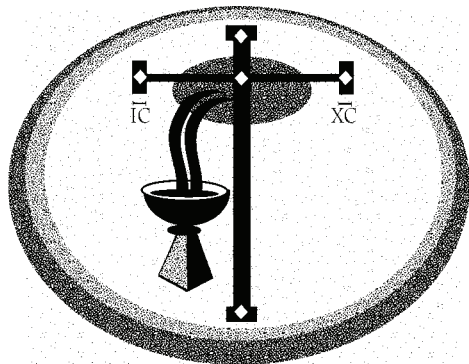
## **Remember Your Parish**

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

# Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 6, 2025

From His holy temple,  
the Lord has heard my voice!



Forgetting what lies behind but straining forward  
to what lies ahead, I continue my pursuit toward  
the goal, the prize of GOD's upward calling in  
**CHRIST JESUS.**

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## REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week.  
The Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord is:  
**Luke 23.1-49**

## OUR GIFTS TO GOD March 30<sup>th</sup> Collection

Sunday Envelopes	Sunday Loose	Pre-Authorized Debit	Easter
\$ 3,913	\$ 425	\$ 1,510	\$ 281

*We thank you for your continued spiritual and financial  
support of Holy Rosary Parish.*

## DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. April 7	Rev. Deaha (John) Kim
Tues. April 8	Rev. Marian Gil, O.M.I.
Wed. April 9	Sisters of St. Joseph in Canada, C.S.J.
Thurs. April 10	Rev. Jan Wadolowski, O.M.I.
Fri. April 11	Rev. Lajos Angyal
Sat. April 12	Rev. Joseph Durkacz

## THE SAINT JOHN'S BIBLE

Join us for an Inspirational Evening: The Saint John's Bible.  
**THIS IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED!**

We invite you to a beautiful and insightful viewing of **The Saint John's Bible** this **Monday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Centre.** Luisa Rossi will be sharing her expertise, offering a deeper look at the artistry and significance of this magnificent Bible.

This event is hosted by the **Catholic Women's League**, and all are warmly invited to attend.

Welcome to Holy Rosary Catholic Community. We hope the  
Lord's Day worship spiritually enriches you.

## 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 8	†John Ivanco
Wed., April 9	†Edith Kropfel
Thurs., April 10	†Bruce Pritchard
Fri., April 11	†Bill Fasullo
Sat., April 12 5:00 p.m.	†Ronnie, Bernie, Nicholas Morelli †Henry Rudachyk †Paul Blake



## LENTEN CONFESSION TIMES REMAINING

*Tuesday, April 8<sup>th</sup>:*

10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

*Friday, April 11:*

After the 7:00 p.m. Stations of the  
Cross until 8:45 p.m. (with Adoration  
of the Blessed Sacrament).

*Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup>:*

3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. and after the  
5:00 p.m. Mass until 8:00 p.m.

**PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THERE ARE NO CONFESSIONS  
DURING HOLY WEEK.**

## MARRIAGE BANNS

The Syro-Malabar Eparchy of Faridabad-Delhi India has requested that we publish the Banns for a proposed marriage between Laya Stella George (Syro-Malabar Catholic Rite) from Holy Rosary Parish in Burlington and Johns Babu George from St. Thomas Syro-Malabar Diocese of Chicago. The marriage is to take place in India on August 9, 2025. If anyone knows of any reason that would prevent this couple from entering a valid union, please contact Fr. Wilhelm.

## VOLUNTEER SCREENING UPDATE

Several parishioners who are existing volunteers in the parish and some who are new volunteers for ministries in the parish have been contacted to pick up their information packages. These packages are available on the table in the front entrance of the church. Please pick them up as soon as possible. **Dianne Taylor - Volunteer Screening Coordinator**



## MASS OF CHRISM

All are welcome to attend the Diocesan Mass of Chrism during which His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, will bless the Oils for the Sick and Catechumens. He will also consecrate Sacred Chrism. The Mass of Chrism will be celebrated in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King on **Monday, April 14 at 2:00 p.m.** Parking is limited and carpooling is encouraged. The Cathedral Basilica will open at 12:30 p.m. The celebration will be livestreamed with links on the Diocesan website and the Cathedral Basilica's website.

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

A number of years ago, pre-authorized debiting was offered to parishioners for our regular Sunday collection. 80 people, including your pastor, contribute to the parish using this method. We have now set up PAD so that parishioners can contribute regularly on a weekly or monthly basis, as well as contribute 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. Those who wish to begin contributing using Pad should fill out the form and submit it to the priest or to the parish office. **We highly encourage our parishioners to contribute using the PAD system.**

For those who use PAD, we will continue issuing envelopes **for those who request them.** Contributors may change or top up their contributions at any time, by contacting the parish office.

Further information about the benefits for parishioners and the parish of using PAD will be provided as part of a larger campaign to encourage more responsible giving on the part of all parishioners. The financial health of the parish is dependent upon contributions from all parishioners to help us to meet our operating costs, to ensure we have adequate staff and to maintain our buildings. We will be presenting the Annual Finance and Spiritual Report during the Easter season.

## **COMMUNAL SPIRITUAL GROWTH**

Our parish will discuss the **Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation *Dei Verbum*** on Monday April 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm in the parish center. It is the session that we missed due to the snowstorm. All are welcome. Interested please contact Vicky at [siuming.chen@gmail.com](mailto:siuming.chen@gmail.com) for links from the Hamilton Diocese.

## **PASSION SUNDAY IS NEXT SUNDAY!**

Next Sunday, will be blessing Palms and celebrating the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem where he will embrace his Passion and Death on the Cross. This Sunday marks the official beginning of Holy Week which is the holiest week of the Church liturgical year.

This year, Luke's account of the Passion of Christ, will be proclaimed. Luke portrays Jesus as calm and composed during his Passion. For instance, Jesus forgives those who crucify him, saying, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." This emphasis on forgiveness is a hallmark of Luke's Gospel.

Only in Luke's account does Jesus heal the ear of the high priest's servant after it is cut off during his arrest.

Luke includes the presence of women mourning for Jesus on his way to the cross, highlighting their role and compassion.

Luke adds a poignant detail where Jesus looks at Peter immediately after his denial, leading Peter to weep bitterly. This moment underscores the personal connection between Jesus and his disciples.

Luke includes elements like the conversation between Jesus and the criminals crucified alongside him. One of the criminals asks Jesus to remember him, and Jesus responds with the promise of paradise.

Luke's narrative emphasizes themes of forgiveness, healing, and hope, painting a picture of Jesus as a compassionate and redemptive figure even in his suffering.

## **THE EASTER TRIDUUM – THE THREE DAYS**

The Triduum of Easter, also known as the Sacred or Paschal Triduum, is the most solemn and significant period in the Christian liturgical calendar. It spans three days, from the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday, and commemorates the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

**Holy Thursday:** This day marks the Last Supper, where Jesus instituted the Eucharist and the priesthood. It includes the "washing of the feet" ceremony, symbolizing humility and service. Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper begins at 7:30 p.m.,

**Good Friday:** A day of mourning and reflection, it commemorates the crucifixion and death of Jesus through the proclamation of the Passion According to John. We also have the opportunity to venerate the wood of the cross, through which Christ won our salvation. Services are at 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

**Holy Saturday:** A day of anticipation and hope, it leads to the Easter Vigil, which anticipates the resurrection of Christ. This is a rich and meaningful liturgy that begins with the Service of Light and the singing of the Exultet proclaiming in song the significance of the light of the Paschal Candle. The Church reflects upon the history of salvation from creation to the coming of Christ. The Easter Vigil begins with the blessing of the Easter Fire at 8:00 p.m. This liturgy lasts approximately two hours and may not be suitable for children. PLEASE NOTE THERE IS NO 5:00 P.M. MASS ON HOLY SATURDAY.

When there are catechumens to be baptized or persons to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church this takes place during the Vigil. For those who are baptized we renounce sin and Profess our Faith, renewing the promises that were made in baptism. celebrating the Resurrection of Christ and the triumph of life over death.

The Triduum is a profound reminder of the core of Christian faith: redemption and the promise of eternal life. To enter into the fullness of the mystery of our salvation, we strongly encourage all our parishioners to participate in all of these wonderful liturgies. We hope to have a full Church for each of these glorious days!

Easter Sunday Masses are at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.



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