

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

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 31, 2025

O Lord, you are good
and forgiving!



REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week.
The Gospel for the Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
is: Luke 14.25-33

OUR GIFTS TO GOD - August 24th Collection

Regular Envelopes	Regular Loose	Pre-Authorized Debit	Church Maintenance
\$ 3,465.75	\$395	\$ 25	\$27

We thank you for your continued, dedicated and regular financial support for Holy Rosary Parish. Thanks to the many people who have increased their support. Your generosity is making a difference!

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Sept. 1	Rev. Jeff Bergsma
Tues. Sept. 2	Rev. Gerald Mulhall
Wed. Sept. 3	Our Parish Community
Thurs. Sept. 4	Rev. Michael Anderson
Fri. Sept. 5	Rev. Patrick Ohl
Sat. Sept. 6	Rev. Mario Fernando Cabral Muriel S.J.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION AND CONFESSIONS

This Friday is the first Friday of September and a day of devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place at the end of the morning Mass, with Benediction at noon. The parish priest is also in the Reconciliation Room from 11:00 until noon to hear confessions and celebrate God's endless mercy. Why not come and spend some time with Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament to seek God's many blessings!

RETURN TO REGULAR OFFICE HOURS

We will be returning to regular office hours on Tuesday of this week, after some staff holidays. Our current office hours are Tuesday to Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



MASS INTENTIONS

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

Join us in praying the Rosary for Vocations before Mass beginning at 7:30 a.m.

Mon. Sept. 1	†Maria Helena Moniz
Tues., Sept. 2	†Mauro Bachetti
Wed., Sept. 3	†James D'Addario
Thur., Sept. 4	†Bill Fasullo
Fri., Sept. 5	†Paul Blake
Sat., Sept. 6	†Dorothy Golds †Catherine Mationo †Darinka Miron & Mirko Kolesar †Jorge DeSousa †Esther Hunter

LABOUR DAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2025 -MASS FOR THE BLESSING OF HUMAN LABOUR

Please join us for Mass this Monday, September. 1st at 8.00am. This is a great way to begin a new Pastoral and School Year with prayer, asking for God blessing as we return from the summer holidays. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

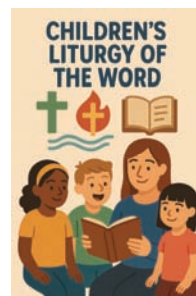
WELCOME BACK TO OUR TEACHERS, STUDENTS AND PARISHIONERS RETURNING AFTER SUMMER BREAK



We extend a hearty welcome to students and staff of Holy Rosary School as they return to school on Tuesday, September 2, after the summer holidays. We hope students had a great holiday and parents are rejoicing at getting back to normal routines!

Welcome also to our parishioners who are returning from summer holidays. We hope you have had a good summer. We were very pleased with the attendance at our masses over the summer, proving that keeping two masses was a prudent and wise pastoral decision. Thanks to all who continued their fidelity to the Sunday Eucharist over the summer months.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD PROGRAM



The Children's Liturgy of the Word program will resume on September 7th during the 9:00 Sunday morning Mass. Children from JK to grade three are invited. All children are welcome! The children are invited to proceed to the church library, with their leaders, for their special liturgy and will return to their parents at the Offertory of the Mass.

We are looking for additional leaders for the program. Parents, grandparents, teenagers, students in grades 7 and eight can volunteer. There are two leaders each Sunday, so no one is on their own.

If you are interested and/or have questions, please contact Bonnie Sparks. sparksbonnie272@gmail.com

HOLY ROSARY ST. VINCENT De PAUL SOCIETY BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE



Holy Rosary's SSVP is collecting monetary donations to provide **Walmart gift cards** up to \$50 to families in need to help them to purchase essential school supplies. There are copies of the flyers that were inserted in the bulletin a few weeks ago on the table in the main entrance of the church, or consult our parish website for more information at holyroaryparish.ca

Please write *"Back to School Support"* on your donation envelope or donate through the parish website. On behalf of the families we serve – Thank you!

CALLING FOR NEW MEMBERS FOR THE CHILDREN/FAMILY CHOIR

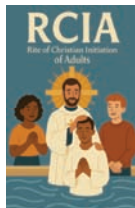
This Choir sings at the 9 am Mass on the 4th Sunday of each month. From September on, we practice between the 9 and 11 am Sunday Masses for about 30 minutes. Interested, please contact Vicky at siuming.chen@gmail.com for more details.

CHAIR YOGA

Are you looking for a weekly outing and a chance to do something beneficial for your overall health?

Chair Yoga will begin on Thursday, Sept. 11th from 11:00 a.m. to 12 noon. It runs for 10 weeks and ends November 20th (excluding Nov. 6th) The cost is \$50 for 10 weeks. Drop-ins are welcome! \$5.00 per session.

JOURNEYING TOWARD FULL COMMUNION – THE RCIA PROCESS



Are you—or someone you know—thinking about becoming Catholic? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the Church's pathway for welcoming new members into the faith. It's not a program, but a spiritual journey that unfolds in four stages that are marked by rites:

Period of Inquiry (Pre-Catechumenate)

This is a time for seekers to ask questions, explore the teachings of the Church, and discern their calling. There's no commitment yet—just curiosity and conversation. When ready, participants celebrate the Rite of Acceptance, becoming official catechumens or candidate for full initiation into the Catholic faith, if they are already baptized in another Christian faith.

Period of the Catechumenate

During this period, the journey deepens. Catechumens (those not yet baptized) and candidates (already baptized in another Christian tradition) engage in regular formation, prayer, and community life. This period typically lasts several months and concludes with the Rite of Election (for those not baptized), held on the First Sunday of Lent. This

Rite is usually celebrated with the Bishop at the Cathedral Basilica in Hamilton on the First Sunday in Lent.

Period of Purification and Enlightenment

Coinciding with Lent, this stage is a time of spiritual preparation for the Easter sacraments. The Elect participate in special rites called Scrutinies, receive the Creed and the Lord's Prayer, and prepare for full initiation at the Easter Vigil, where they receive Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.

Period of Mystagogy

After Easter, the newly initiated continue their journey during the Easter season, reflecting on the mysteries they've received and becoming more deeply integrated into parish life. This period culminates at Pentecost but marks the beginning of lifelong discipleship.

Whether you are unbaptized, baptized in another Christian tradition, or a baptized Catholic seeking to complete your sacraments of initiation, the RCIA is open to all. The process is set to begin in October.

Join us on this transformative journey of faith and discover the richness of the Catholic tradition. We look forward to welcoming you! If you are interested, contact Fr. Wilhelm at frdavewilhelm@outlook.com

HOLY ROSARY SENIOR'S BRIDGE



It's that time of year again. It's time again for social Contact Bridge.

On Tuesday, Sept. 9 we will be starting our weekly Bridge sessions. The Doors will open at 11:30 am.

You do not need a partner. The cost is \$2 for which you receive an afternoon

of social Bridge, coffee or tea, and cookies.

You must be able to play at a beginner level. Check out our website : www.holyrosarybridge.com . It is updated weekly.

We hope that you can join us for a fun afternoon.

ANNUAL FAMILY AND YOUTH PASTA NIGHT



The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring their annual "Family and Youth Pasta Night" held in our Parish Centre on Wednesday September 24 2025. There will be two sittings: 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm and 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

The cost is \$15.00 per adult, children aged four to eleven \$5.00. Children under four eat for free. The menu includes Penne noodles, 2 meat balls, tomato/meat sauce, garden salad, dressing, bread, and dessert. Gluten free options are available. Drinks are available for a small extra charge.

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