

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.

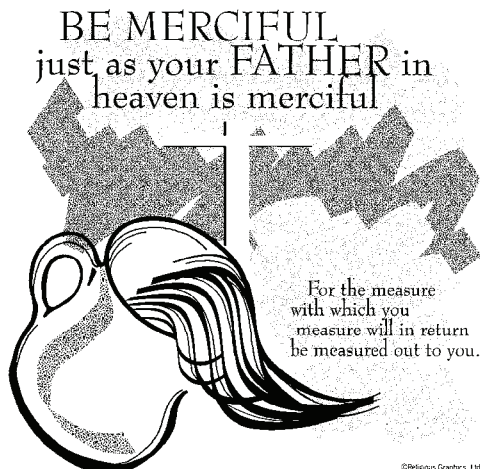
Remember Your Parish

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

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 23, 2025

O Lord, I trust
in your merciful love!



REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week.
The Eight Sunday in Ordinary time is:
Luke 6.39-45

OUR GIFTS TO GOD February 16th Collection

Sunday Envelopes	Sunday Loose	Pre-Authorized Debit	St. Vincent de Paul
\$ 1,470	\$ 110	\$ 1,407	\$ 5,005

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

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Feb. 24	Rev. Lourdasamy Subramani, SMA
Tues. Feb. 25	Rev. Mark Morley
Wed. Feb. 26	Society of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, R.S.C.J.
Thurs. Feb. 27	Very Rev. Adrian Lee
Fri. Feb. 28	Rev. Fadi Wajih
Sat. March 1	Rev. Marko Stefanec

VOCATION AWARENESS

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 23, 2025

The Lord Calls us to do God's Will. Pray that you may know God's Will in your life; especially, if you have the inclination that you are being called to the ordained or consecrated life. 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.

Email : vocations@hamiltondiocese.com
Website: hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

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., Feb. 25	†Wendy Allen
Wed., Feb. 26	†John Schneider
Thurs., Feb. 27	†Antonio Alves
Fri., Feb. 28	†Johanna Falk
Sat., March 1 5:00 p.m.	†Jorge De Sousa †Henry Rudachyk †Mary Starodub †Monika & Agata Szechynski



HOLY ROSARY PARISH PANCAKE BREAKFAST OR DINNER Tuesday, March 4th, 2025: 8:30 a.m.; or 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The Knights of Columbus invite all to join on Shrove Tuesday for pancakes and ham, in the Parish Centre. No charge, but free will offerings made will go to Saint Vincent de Paul. It is wonderful to be able to have this family social opportunity just prior to the start of Lent. For further information, contact Joe Milton (905-632-5646) or Vic Lefebvre (905-330-3545).

THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS SAVE THE DATE!



Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2025? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Crosby and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 1, 2025 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is found under Upcoming Events on the home page at hamiltondiocese.com.



SHARE LENT 2025

Begin to prepare for this year's Campaign! Go to <https://www.devp.org/events> for information. To join in the National launch webinar this Saturday, March 1st, 1:30 P.M.ET.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

An annual ecumenical global service of prayer, co-ordinated by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada. This year's service was prepared by the women of Cook Islands, on the theme, "I Made You Wonderful." **At Grace United Church, 211 Walkers Line, on Friday, March 7th, 2025, at 1:00 P.M.** All are welcome!



1916 PROJECT FILM SCREENING

Halton Alive is hosting a film screening of the 1916 Project, a groundbreaking documentary that uncovers hidden truths about the origins of abortion culture. The 1916 Project reveals the


untold story of Margaret Sanger, Planned Parenthood's founder, exposing her dark legacy and the profound influence her eugenic ideologies continue to have on abortion, family breakdown, and societal confusion today.

When: February 24, 2025 at 7 PM

Where: Fellowship Church (3422 New Street, Burlington)

Cost: Free!

To learn more about the film, watch the trailer, and register to attend please visit www.haltonalive.ca/calendar/1916

 **Join Halton Alive** in touching the hearts of over 2000 residents of long term care and retirement homes through our 2025 Inspire Hope Campaign!

Spring Flowers Initiative:

Volunteers needed to make and deliver 2000 homemade Spring flowers! Includes discussion starters for parents, teachers and youth ministers to spark conversation about the value of the vulnerable in our society.

Sign up at <https://www.haltonalive.ca/flowers> or contact Mariana at inspirehope@haltonalive.com.

VOLUNTEER SCREENING REFRESH

As you know, every parish in the Diocese as well as other institutions that use volunteers are required to do mandatory screening of volunteers within their organization.

Our parish has done volunteer screening of volunteers in the past, but a review of our records show that we are behind in keeping our screening up to date.

There are three levels of screening: low risk screening, medium risk and vulnerable sector screening. Many of our volunteers are low and medium risk. In some ministries, involving vulnerable persons such as the elderly and children, vulnerable sector screening is required.

I have appointed a Volunteer Screening Coordinator to assist in the task of updating our volunteer screening process. Her name is Dianne Taylor and she has extensive experience in Volunteer Screening and I am grateful for her generous assistance in this endeavor.

Dianne will soon begin calling our existing volunteers to update our records. In most cases, the screening will simply involve updating information. In other cases where the ministry involves vulnerable sector, the process may be a little more involved, usually requiring a police records check or a statement affirming that there has been no change to a police check record on file.

Dianne will also be calling those who are new volunteers to complete the screening process. In cases where parishioners are involved in more than one ministry, the screening will be completed for each ministry, to avoid having to come into the office on more than one occasion.

All screening is strictly confidential.

NEW PROCEDURES COMING FOR THOSE WHO BRING COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND IN LIFECARE CENTRES

As we complete the volunteer screening for all people who are taking communion to the sick, there are some changes coming that will affect the liturgical procedures in which communion to the sick is managed, as outlined in our recent parish workshops for those who bring communion to the sick,

When called for screening, those who bring communion to others will be asked to bring in their pyx (and burse if they have one). These will be examined to make sure that they are in a good state of repair and where this is not the case, they will be replaced. We will be issuing burses for all pyxes and **communion ministers will be required to use these burses to carry the Eucharist around their neck, rather than in pocket or purse.** When coming in for screening, these burses will be issued bearing the name of the communion minister.

Please be aware that during the Lenten season, we will be phasing out the current practice of placing pyxes on the altar prior to mass and removing them from the altar after Mass. Those taking communion will prepare their pyx according to instructions given at the workshop or when they come for screening. These pyxes and burses will be prepared with the required number of hosts at the offertory table before Mass and placed on the tray provided. The tray, containing the pyxes and burses, will be brought to the altar during the offertory procession for consecration during Mass.

Communion ministers will be called forward following the prayer after communion and commissioned to bring communion to the sick. They should leave the church immediately, or after the final blessing and bring communion from the celebration of Mass directly to those who are homebound.

During weekday masses, those who bring communion will prepare their pyx and place it on the tray on the table in the sanctuary. The tray will be brought to the altar by the server and consecrated during Mass. The communion minister(s) will be sent forth from the mass in the same way as on Sunday.

Holy communion will never be placed in a pyx that is presented by persons in the communion line. This practice is contrary to Diocesan policy for the proper handling of the Eucharist.

These changes are being made to ensure that the Eucharist is handled with the dignity and respect that it merits as the real presence of Christ. We hope that it will help to inspire a renewed respect and appreciation for the Eucharist on the part of those who minister communion and those who receive communion on a regular basis from our committed Eucharistic ministers to the sick and homebound.

Although this new practice will require some adjustment, we are hopeful that the transition will happen smoothly through the cooperation of all those who generously minister to the sick and homebound members of our parish family. Your cooperation and patience with this transition is greatly appreciated!



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