## **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.

#### Clergy

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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.

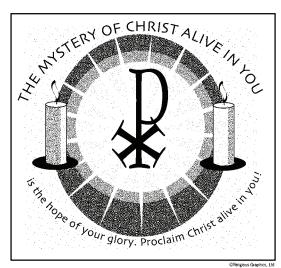
#### Remember Your Parish

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

# Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 20, 2025

The Lord sustains my soul!



REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week. The Gospel for the Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Luke 11.1 13

#### OUR GIFTS TO GOD July 13<sup>th</sup> Collection

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\$ 2,817	\$ 510	\$ 1,542	\$ 2,066

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

#### **DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR**

Mon. July 21	Rev. David Mowat, C.R.
Tues. July 22	Rev. Harry Reitzel, C.R.
Wed. July 23	Society of Christ, S.Chr.
Thurs. July 24	Rev. Raymond Reitzel, C.R.
Fri. July 25	Rev. Florian Stasinski, R.C.
Sat. July 26	Very Rev. Aleksander Mazur, S.A.C.

#### MEN'S & WOMEN'S RETREAT Sept 19–21, 2025 at Manresa, Pickering

Theme: "Called to love as God loves"
With Fr. John Sullivan, SJ

Suggested offering: \$270

Info: Jonathan – 905-634-0248 Fiona – 905-839-2864

#### **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.

Tues., July 22	Feast of St. Mary Magdalene,	
	Disciple of the Lord	
	†Frances Giannetti	
Wed., July 23	†George Lynott	
Thurs.,July 24	†Joao & Maria Amaral	
Fri., July 25	Feast of St. James, Apostle	
	†Peter Cote	
Sat., July 26	Feast of St. Anne and St. Joachim	
5:00 pm	Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
·	†Anibal Sousa †Maureen White	
	†Dominic Chuck & Megan Chuck	
	†Sandra McNamara	

#### **UPDATE ON OUR WEBSITE**

We're excited to announce the launch of the newly redesigned website for Holy Rosary Burlington! The updated site can be found at holyrosaryburlington.ca— only the extension has changed. The site has been crafted with you in mind, offering a fresh look, improved functionality, and more straightforward navigation for everyone in our community. So what's new?

**Streamlined Design:** A clean, welcoming layout that reflects the warmth of our parish.

**Mobile-Friendly Access:** The site is currently best viewed on a desktop computer, but it has been tested for display on tablets and smartphones. Although it has been thoroughly tested, and I believe all the kinks have been worked out, there may still be some surprises. If you notice anything not working, please let us know.

\*NEW\* The tablet and smartphone pages have been optimized for portrait viewing, but can also be viewed in landscape orientation. However, there are different devices and screens, so landscape viewing may not work too well in some areas of the site or on some devices.

**Event Calendar:** Stay up-to-date on parish activities, Mass schedules, and community gatherings.

**Spiritual Resources:** Explore opportunities for spiritual growth, sacramental preparation, and involvement in ministry.

Parish Bulletins & Announcements: Never miss a beat—download the latest bulletin or subscribe to receive updates directly in your inbox.

\*NEW\* Volunteering is Made Easy. There are connections to our Ministries, with a description of each area and ways to get involved in the life of the parish. There is a web form that can be used to indicate the involvement you are interested in, which is emailed directly to us. From there, we will contact you to get you up and running!

This new digital home supports our mission to be disciples sent forth by the Holy Spirit, with a warm welcome and compassionate outreach to all. It's not just a website—it's a living space where we can stay connected, inspired, and informed.

**Visit holyrosaryburlington.ca,** subscribe to our bulletins, and be part of the vibrant journey of faith and community at Holy Rosary Burlington.

Effective July 15, 2025, we will no longer update the old website as we continue to build the new website by gradually adding content, including pictures, articles, and information of interest. Until search engines fully recognize the new site, visitors to the old website are informed of the new site's address.

I invite you to share your comments and suggestions for the site. You can use the comments section on the website to provide positive feedback and suggestions.

# LOOKING FOR A MEANINGFUL WAY TO SPEND YOUR SUMMER?

Join us in bringing hope and encouragement to older people in our community. Through small acts of kindness and care, such as writing letters or using sidewalk chalk, you can bring hope and love to those who are isolated and elderly. This is a perfect opportunity for kids to participate in meaningful activities during their summer breaks. For details on how to get involved, please contact: Mariana y

# NEW OPPORTUNITIES TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE PARISH ARE COMING SOON.

As I mentioned in my homily a few weeks ago, stewardship is more than financial support; it is a way of living, rooted in gratitude for all God's gifts and a desire to return those gifts in love. Each act of giving, no matter the size, becomes a prayer of trust in God and a concrete way to support the mission of our parish.

One of the realities we face today is that fewer people are carrying cash. They often use debit cards or credit cards to make donations and pay for everyday necessities. Over the past year, our office has received numerous requests from individuals to use a credit or debit card for payments, covering a range of services including mass offerings, Parish Centre rentals, and insurance for hall use. We understand and appreciate these needs and are working to meet them.

The Finance Council and I have had productive discussions about how we can make contributions easier and more convenient for our parishioners. There are a couple of new opportunities in the works, through the installation of a Payment Terminal in the parish office, which will enable people to make payments for Mass cards, stipends, and other fees for the use of the parish centre, as well as sacramental preparation fees and other services. People now have the option of paying for these services by cash, cheque, debit, credit card, or Apple Pay. We can also receive donations and other fees over the phone, making it easier for people to contribute. Tax receipts can be issued for those who donate in this way. This makes it easier to set up one-time or recurring donations that align with your family's budget while supporting the ongoing needs of our

parish, from faith formation and sacraments to outreach and care for the vulnerable.

In a few weeks, we will make this stewardship more convenient and more accessible for those who wish to contribute and don't carry cash. We will be installing "Tap and Pay" **devices** in the church entrance. Many parishes are adopting these convenient methods of contributing to the community. With a simple tap of your debit or credit card, you can make a quick, secure contribution to the parish in preset amounts of five, ten or twenty dollars. To contribute, tap your card on the device that is pre-set with the amount you wish to contribute, and the contribution will be transferred from your account to ours. There are no amounts to enter, and no work is required on your part or ours. **Yes, these devices are very secure.** 

It is a small gesture that allows us to continue caring for our community and building the Kingdom of God among us. This method is best suited for individuals who wish to contribute but do not require a tax receipt for their donation.

Donations using card payments can also be made online, as we continue to develop our website. The idea is to find a method that you are comfortable with and that works best for you. We will outline these methods more thoroughly in the weeks to come as we gradually incorporate them into our community.

Your participation in stewardship enables us to live out our mission with hope and trust. Thank you for the ways you continue to give of your time, talent, and treasure. May each gift we share bring us closer to Christ, who gives us everything. Your contributions are not just financial, but a tangible expression of our shared commitment to our mission. More information will be provided in future bulletins, and we are more than happy to answer any questions you may have about the systems we are implementing.

#### **OUR WEEKEND MASSES.**

I am very edified and encouraged by the number of parishioners who are attending our weekend Lord's Day Masses over the summer. Although the crowds may be slightly lighter than the other months of the year, the numbers are encouraging and an affirmation that retaining our weekend mass schedule was the right thing to do. Our weekday attendance is also very good.

Parishioners tend to arrive in the last 10 minutes or so before Mass, which is understandable during these hazy, lazy days of summer and a much more relaxed pace than we may be accustomed to. No problem, we are just happy that you continue to support us with your loyal presence and participation!

I am particularly grateful to our musicians, servers, lectors, Eucharistic Ministers (and those who take communion to shut-in members of the community), as well as our ministers of hospitality (ushers) who greet and welcome us. Thanks to all who continue to support our community, and particularly, many of the young families that are increasingly becoming members of our faith family



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