

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.

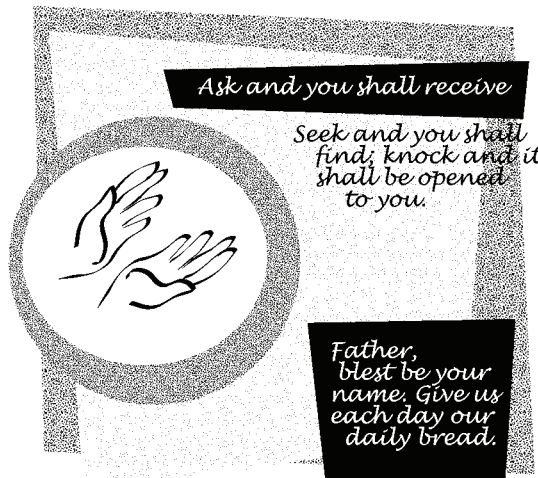
Remember Your Parish

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

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 27, 2025

Bless the Lord, O my soul!



REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week.
The Gospel for the Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time is:
Luke 12.13-21

OUR GIFTS TO GOD July 20th Collection

Regular Envelopes	Regular Loose	Pre-Authorized Debit	Church Maintenance
\$ 3,926	\$ 450	\$ 1,542	\$ 115

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

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. July 28	Rev. Philip Reilly, C.R.
Tues. July 29	Rev. Pawel Jamroz
Wed. July 30	School Sisters of Notre Dame, S.S.N.D.
Thurs. July 31	Engaged Couples
Fri. August 1	Most Rev. Anthony Tonnos
Sat. August 2	Rev. Stephen Gilbert

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:
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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 29	†Jackie Farrell
Wed., July 30	†James D'Addario
Thurs., July 31	†John Dermody
Fri., August 1	†Maria Presta
Sat., August 2 5:00 pm	Intentions of Eliana Mae Saldanha †Helmi Darroch †Rick Lines †Millie Wallace †Mary Tessy †Paul Chandrasekharan

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

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KYLE DAVIDSON

It has been an esteemed honour and pleasure to meet so many of you during my time here and to be gifted the opportunity to pray alongside this faith community this summer.

The Seminary I attend is in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; it is called Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology. It is both a seminary and a monastery run by a religious order named "Priests of the Sacred Heart of Jesus," abbreviated as "SCJ". However, just because a religious order runs the Seminary, it doesn't mean I am joining their ranks, as tempting as it may be. By the grace of God, he has led me to study for the priesthood as a diocesan priest for the Diocese of Hamilton.

I have just completed my "propaedeutic" year. It is a period of spiritual discernment for the seminarian, during which he is invited, with the help of the Church, to delve deeper into his spiritual life and begin studying various introductory courses in Scripture, Theology, and Spirituality.

Last year, I lived in a house down the hill close to the Seminary affectionally named "The Dehon House" with two other seminarian brothers and with our Spiritual formator (who is also the vice- rector of SHSST). We had to trek up the hill to reach our classrooms, visit the library, attend Mass, and participate in other community activities. I will not miss contending with the mosquitoes in the early morning or the snow and ice in the winter, but I enjoyed my stay there!

This year, I begin the full swing of my studies. This semester, I start my first year studying philosophy. Since I am studying in the United States, the semester begins earlier (I leave August 15th) and ends later. The first year of seminarian study is the discipleship stage 1, where one truly begins to embrace the religious life and become a follower of Christ.

I am looking forward to arriving at the Seminary in August to continue my formation. Still, before then, my time here

with the Holy Rosary community has been very edifying and joyful for me. Thank you for welcoming me into your faith community. I will continue to pray for you, and I humbly ask you for your continued prayers as I continue to discern and strive toward the priesthood. My last weekend in the parish will be August 2-3.

STAFF CHANGE EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1, 2025

Divine Dimaranan has faithfully served as Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper at Holy Rosary Parish since September 2020. During her tenure, Divine has commuted to and from work by bus from her home on the East Mountain in Hamilton, but has found the commute to be increasingly challenging. Recently, Divine has sought and accepted a position at St. Margaret Mary Parish in Hamilton, which is much closer to her residence.

Divine has been a loyal and faithful member of our staff and will be truly missed. We wish her well in her new role and trust that she will continue to flourish in it. We are very grateful for the joyful and enthusiastic spirit she has brought to our parish team.

We have begun consultations with the Diocese on the procedures for hiring for this position and hope to have someone in place by the middle of September. Divine's new position will be effective on August 1, 2025. We will continue to do our best to provide uninterrupted service during the transition and ask for your patience as we move forward.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is a powerful sign of God's love, comfort, and healing for those facing serious illness, the frailty of old age, or the danger of death. It is not only for the final moments of life but is meant to strengthen those who are ill and to offer them the grace of the Holy Spirit during their time of suffering.

The Anointing of the Sick can be received:

- When a Catholic begins to be in danger due to serious illness or old age.
- Before major surgery, when a serious illness is the reason for the surgery.
- Whenever the condition of a person worsens during a long-term illness.

It may also be repeated if the person recovers and then becomes seriously ill again.

Receiving the sacrament brings spiritual strength, peace, and courage, and it unites the sick person to the sufferings of Christ, who gives meaning to our suffering. The sacrament may also contribute to the restoration of physical health if it is God's will.

Any baptized Catholic who has reached the age of reason and is facing a serious illness or the difficulties of advanced age may request the sacrament. It is not necessary to wait until a person is at the point of death to call the priest. Instead, it is best to receive the sacrament while the person

is still conscious and able to participate in the prayers and receive the peace and comfort it offers.

If you or a loved one needs the Anointing of the Sick, please do not hesitate to contact the parish office to arrange for a visit from the priest. Let us accompany one another with prayer and the grace of the sacraments during times of illness and difficulty, remembering the promise of Christ: "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28).

A HEALTHY EUCHARISTIC SPIRITUALITY

The Eucharist is the "source and summit" of our Christian life, not just something we attend, but something we live. A healthy Eucharistic spirituality calls us to receive, adore, and become what we receive: the Body of Christ for the world.

The very word "Eucharist" means thanksgiving. We come to Mass not only to fulfill an obligation but to return thanks to God for all He has done for us. A grateful heart is the beginning of a Eucharistic life.

St. Augustine reminds us: "Behold what you are, become what you receive." We are not meant to leave Mass as we were. Receiving Jesus in the Eucharist should move us to become more Christ-like in our families, workplaces, and parish community.

The Eucharist draws us into deeper communion with Christ and with one another. We are called to live in unity, forgiving as we have been forgiven, and reaching out to those who are alone or in need. A healthy Eucharistic spirituality challenges us to build community wherever we are.

Mass is the high point, but our Eucharistic spirituality is nurtured by spending time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, even outside of Mass. Quiet moments of adoration allow us to open our hearts to the Lord, bringing our joys, struggles, and desires to Him.

A healthy Eucharistic spirituality sends us forth to serve. At the end of Mass, we are sent to "Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life." We carry Christ into our daily lives, becoming instruments of His peace, compassion, and justice in a world that thirsts for His presence. This week, consider how you can deepen your Eucharistic spirituality:

- Prepare your heart before Mass through prayer and reflection on the readings.
- Spend a few minutes in thanksgiving after receiving Communion.
- Visit the church for quiet prayer during the week.
- Let the Eucharist inspire you to acts of service and reconciliation.
- Strive to arrive early to prepare and leave late to give thanks!

May our reception of Jesus in the Eucharist transform us, so that we may truly become His presence in the world, living with hearts full of gratitude and lives rooted in love.

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