

# 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.

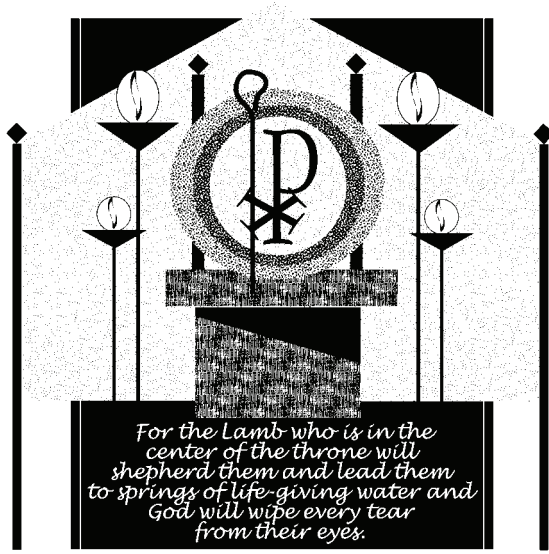
## **Remember Your Parish**

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

# Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 11, 2025

The mercy of the Lord  
fills the earth!



## REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week.  
The Gospel for the Fifth Sunday of Easter  
is: **John 13.1,31-33a,34-35++**

## OUR GIFTS TO GOD May 4<sup>th</sup> Collection

Easter Envelopes	Easter Loose	Pre-Authorized Debit	Indigenous Reconciliation
\$ 4,202	\$ 450	\$ 1,532	\$ 509

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

## DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. May 12	Rev. Joe S. Selvanayagam <i>Canada Health Day</i>
Tues. May 13	Rev. Anton Sebamalai
Wed. May 14	Sisters Servant of Mary Immaculate, S.S.M.I.
Thurs. May 15	Rev. Msgr. Earl Talbot
Fri. May 16	Rev. Peter Meyer
Sat. May 17	Rev. Timothy Higgins



## SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Please pray for our young people who will be receiving the gifts of God's Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation, **this Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 P.M.** May our youth be set on fire with enthusiasm for living with Christ! Thanks to all who have been involved in preparing them.

## 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., May 13	Intentions of Isabel Hartmann
Wed., May 14	<b>Feast of St. Matthias, Apostle</b> †Joe Sposato
Thurs., May 15	†Joao & Maria Amaral
Fri., May 16	†Sister Gabriella Petoniak
Sat., May 17	†Karie Langlois †Frances Giannetti †Irene & Frank Pesowski †Giuliana Abballe †Manuel Sousa



## A Mothers' Day Prayer

I thank you, Creator of us all, for my mother. I thank you that she gave me life and nurtured me all those years. She gave me my faith, helping me to know you and to know Jesus and his ways. She taught me how to love and how to sacrifice for others. She taught me that it was okay to cry and that I should always tell the truth.

Bless her with the graces she needs and which you want to give her today. Help her to feel precious in your eyes today and to know that I love her. Give her strength and courage, compassion and peace. Bless her this day with your love. Amen.

(Author unknown—from Creighton University)



## PARISH ALTAR SERVERS HONOURED

The Serra Clubs of Hamilton and Halton have now been able to resume sponsoring the annual ceremony to celebrate faithful altar servers. This will take place on Wednesday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, with Bishop Crosby presiding at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. We are proud to recognize outstanding Holy Rosary servers **Ryan Adhinatha, Jasmin Plummer & Bridget Park**. May God continue to bless them, and all our servers, with great love for their faith and for the Mass.

## COMMUNAL SPIRITUAL GROWTH

After our study of the Dogmatic Constitution of Divine Revelation, we will review the first Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis Evangelii Gaudium published in 2013. Our next meeting will take place on Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in the parish centre. Interested please contact Vicky at [siuming.chen@gmail.com](mailto:siuming.chen@gmail.com) for the link to the original document. Communal discussion helps improve our understanding. All are welcome.

## HALTON ALIVE-WALK FOR LIFE

Join Halton Alive on **Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup>** for the annual Walk for Life—a 5k walk to honour the 100,000 unborn lives lost to abortion each year and support life-affirming outreach in our community. Enjoy a family-friendly morning filled with purpose, connection, and a delicious BBQ to

follow! The Walk begins at **9:30 am at Burlington Christian Fellowship** (2054 Mountainside Dr.) Can't attend in person? Walk in your own neighbourhood with friends! **Register for free** at [www.haltionalive.ca/w4l](http://www.haltionalive.ca/w4l) and start fundraising. Every step makes a difference!

### **MEN'S RETREAT SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 2025**

Under the direction of Cristian Lecanda, our parish Knights of Columbus Council is sponsoring a one-day men's retreat at Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Center in Ancaster, which will be presented by Fr. Jason Kuntz on the Virtue of Hope, guiding participants to regain our friendship and relationship with Jesus, using the virtue of hope as our compass. The cost of the day including lunch is \$50.00 **this retreat is open to all men in the parish.** As of the date of publishing, only 10 have committed and we need 40 participants to cover our costs. **If we do not have the required number of participants, we hope to have the retreat, here in the parish, rather than Ancaster and the price of the retreat will be adjusted. The hard cutoff date for registering is Friday, May 9 at 12:00 noon.** If any men in the parish are interested in attending, please contact Cristian Lecanda at [lecanda@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:lecanda@hamiltondiocese.com)

### **ORDINATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD**

Last Saturday, DEACON JOONBIN LIM AND DEACON MOICES CABALLERO were ordained Priests for service in the Diocese of Hamilton at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. Following the Ordination, Father Lim will serve as Associate Pastor at St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Hamilton, and Father Caballero will serve as Associate Pastor at St. Joseph Parish, Guelph. We offer them our prayers and congratulations with best wishes for an enduring and joyful ministry as priests in the Diocese of Hamilton.

### **RESTORED PROCEDURES FOR BRINGING COMMUNION TO THE SICK EFFECTIVE MAY 10-11, 2025**

All people bringing communion to parishioners other than immediate family members need to complete Vulnerable Sector Volunteer Screening. This involves a police check for new ministers or an attestation of no offences for those who submitted a police check at an earlier screening.

Those who bring communion to a family member must complete a simple form and submit it to our Volunteer Screening Coordinator. These are the polices of the Diocese of Hamilton and must be followed.

***All people bringing communion to the sick are respectfully requested to carry the Eucharist in a pyx within a burse around their neck and not in pocket or purse.*** In a time when many Catholics do not believe in the real presence in the Eucharist, we must show appropriate reverence for Christ, whom we carry sacramentally. For this purpose, we are issuing burses containing the name of the Eucharistic minister or the Lifecare Centre where they bring communion. These will be issued by the Volunteer Screening Coordinator when the screening is complete.

**Effective on the weekend of May 10-11, 2025, we will discontinue placing pyxes on the altar before Mass and removing them from the altar following Mass. Any**

**pyxes presented in the offertory procession that are not with a burse will be rejected.**

**If you have not met our volunteer screener, Dianne Taylor, please arrange to see her as soon as possible.** Pyxes and burses are to be prepared as explained to the ministers. This involves placing the required number of unconsecrated hosts in the pyx and inserting the pyx partly into the burse, as demonstrated and putting them on the silver tray on the offertory table. These will be brought forward with the gifts of bread and wine at the offertory time. Because there are multiple pyxes, **it is essential that a burse is used with the minister's name, so the presider knows which burse belongs to each minister.**

These hosts will be consecrated and presented to all ministers following the prayer after communion at the front of the church (as you have seen with some of our ministers to the sick). Those carrying communion should leave the church immediately to bring communion to the communicant(s). A proper ritual must be followed in bringing communion to the sick. If you do not have a ritual, please contact our volunteer screening coordinator, who will issue one to you.

### **RESTART: RERESH, RENEW, REVIVE SUPPORT GROUP**

Struggling after divorce or separation? Join us for learning, support and fun on a Friday evenings. Held the 2nd & 3rd Fridays of each month. These get-togethers offer continual support and insights for people as they journey through the divorce/separation process and beyond. Join in-person (700 King St. West, Hamilton), or by ZOOM. Register for the sessions here: <https://sites.google.com/view/hamilton-restart/home>, or contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249 or [amilyministry@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:amilyministry@hamiltondiocese.com), if you plan to attend in person and for the zoom link if joining online. We look forward to seeing you!

### **ADULT FAITH FORMATION THROUGH VLCFF**

The Diocese of Hamilton is proud to partner with Dayton University's Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation (VLCFF) to offer certificate programs for ministry and enrichment for adult faith formation.

We are currently taking enrollment for the Youth Ministry Certification Program and the Catechist Formation Program for the Diocese of Hamilton, which begins in September 2025. Three- and five-week e-seminars are also available at a discounted rate for all adults in the Diocese looking to further their learning. For more information about our programs, and how to register, visit us at [www.hamiltondioceselearns.com](http://www.hamiltondioceselearns.com)

### ***HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO ALL MOMS!***

May God bless you for all your love and caring, and may the prayers of our Blessed Mother Mary, in this the month in which we honour Mary as the mother of Jesus, be with you as you nurture and care for your children, physically and spiritually. May your family show you lots of love and appreciation for all that you do and may God bless you with many graces!



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