

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.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 18, 2025

I am the vine,
you are the branches!

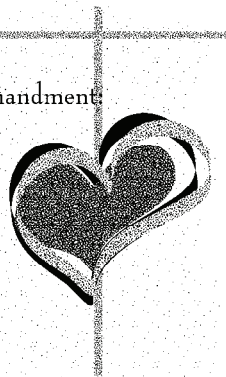
I will be with you only
a little while longer.

I give you a new commandment

LOVE
ONE
ANOTHER

As I have loved you,
so you should love
one another

This is how all will know
that you are my disciples,
if you have love for one another.



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REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week.

The Gospel for the Sixth Sunday of Easter
is: **John 14.23-29**

OUR GIFTS TO GOD May 11th Collection

Regular Envelopes	Regular Loose	Pre-Authorized Debit	Church Maintenance
\$ 3,800	\$ 430	\$ 1,532	\$ 910

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

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. May 19	Rev. Brian Quigley, M.C.C.J.
Tues. May 20	Rev. Lukasz Kopaniak, S.A.C.
Wed. May 21	Congregation of the Resurrection, C.R.
Thurs. May 22	Rev. Rajesh MADtha, O.C.D.
Fri. May 23	Single Catholics
Sat. May 24	Rev. Yonas Okubit Ghebru <i>World Day of Prayer for the Church in China</i>

INVITATION TO 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 26th at 7 pm** in the parish centre. Interested please contact Vicky at siuming.chen@gmail.com for the link to the original document. Communal discussion helps improve our understanding. All are welcome.



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 20	Intentions of Sandra Stephen
Wed., May 21	Intentions of Chinnasamy & Thomas Family
Thurs., May 22	†Maria Helena Moniz
Fri., May 23	†Paul Blake
Sat., May 24	†Henry Rudachyk †Sean Kelly †Esther Hunter †Patty Huschilt †Carmel Boylan †Stephen Chinnaswamy



FIRST KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BOTTLE DRIVE FOR 2025!

The Knights of Columbus will be happy to receive your donated returnable bottles and cans, wine bladders and tetra paks, **this Tuesday, May 20th**, in the parking lot near the big blue shipping container, from 3 – 6 P.M. If you can provide proper boxes for the bottles, that will also be very much appreciated. This is the first drive in what promises to be another record-breaking year. All proceeds go the wonderful work of Burlington Special Olympics.



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 28th**, 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.



HALTON ALIVE-WALK FOR LIFE

Join Halton Alive on **Saturday, May 31st** 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 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 half day men's retreat in Holy Rosary Parish, 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 to cover our costs. **This retreat is open to all men in the parish. Because of a small response to this invitation, we have moved this event from Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre in Ancaster to the parish. We still have some**

available space and have extended the registration date to May 31, 2025. If any men in the parish are interested in attending, please contact Cristian Lecanda at lecanda@hamiltondiocese.com



NOTE FROM YOUR SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Thank you for your continued generosity in donations into the bin in the narthex. Have you noticed, in and around the bin, lists of which items the pantry particularly needs right now? This list of items has just been freshly updated. Take a look, and snap a photo of the list for your reference when out shopping! God bless your care for God's poor, in these tough economic times!

RESTORED PROCEDURES FOR BRINGING COMMUNION TO THE SICK ARE NOW IN EFFECT.

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 now using burses containing the name of the Eucharistic minister or the Lifecare Centre where they bring communion.

We no longer place pyxes on the altar before Mass and remove them from the altar following Mass. Any pyxes presented in the offertory procession that are not with a burse will be rejected.

Please place the required number of unconsecrated hosts in the pyx, wrap the string around the outside of the burse and inserting the pyx partly into the burse. These are placed 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 burses belong 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, pyx or burse, please contact our volunteer screening coordinator, who will issue one to you.

ANNUAL MISSION CO-OPERATIVE APPEAL JUNE 14-15, 2025

We are preparing for our Annual Mission Cooperative Appeal this year on the weekend of June 14 and 15, 2025,

Our presenter this year will be Sr. Mary de Porres Ilo of the Sisters of Immaculate Heart of Mary. This is a missionary Institute founded in Nigeria in 1937 by an Irish missionary. The Founder, archbishop Charles Heerey was filled with

compassion on the plight of women and children in Southern Nigeria in the 1930s who had no social status.

The founder entrusted this charism of compassion to the indigenous Institute who today carry out this mission in different parts of the world with education, medical, social and pastoral care of the less privileged animated by the Humility of Our Blessed Mother, Mary, mother of Christ.

Please be as generous as you can with this Appeal!

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NATIONAL FAMILY AND LIFE WEEK MAY 11-18, 2025

Dioceses and parishes across Canada have been celebrating National Family and Life Week (NFLW) from May 11 to May 18th. More than ever, we need our families to be strong advocates of love and faith.

The theme for this year is "Abound in hope!" – a powerful message from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans. As we journey together as "Pilgrims of Hope" in this Jubilee Year, let us reflect on the gift of hope God gives us through our families.

Further information and a video for the launch of this week can be found on our parish website at:

www.holyrosaryparishburlington.com

Prayer for National Family and Life Week 2025

Heavenly Father,

We place our trust in you.

You have given us the precious gift of life
and entrusted us to care for, nurture, and sustain it.

Help our families to be sanctuaries of joy and light,
where both young and old are cherished and embraced,
and where your gifts of faith, hope, and love may flourish.

May your tender loving care inspire all families to abound in
hope so that we may live out our call to holiness
as missionary disciples in the service of life and peace.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

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