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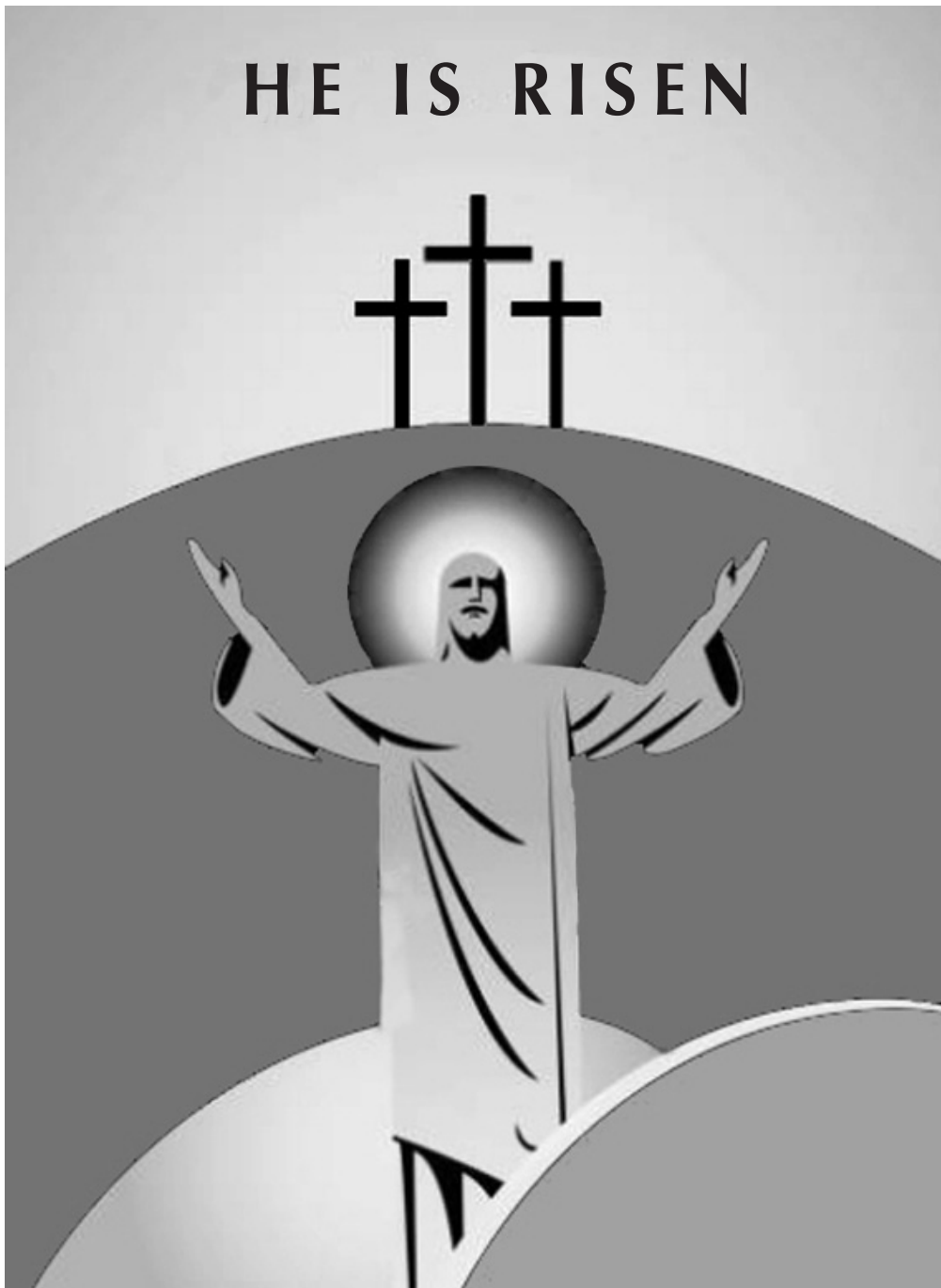
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Mass Intentions 

(† = Deceased Intention; No Marking = Intentions of...;
Thx = Thanksgiving; Hlg = Healing)

Mon Apr 6, 9am	† Sheila Correa
Tue Apr 7, 9am	Thx. Eleanora Michelucci
Wed Apr 8, 9am	† Tony Florio
Thu Apr 9, 9am	Carrie English
† Violeta Aguila	† Joseph Freiburger
† Emeteria Felisco	† Lucila de Chávez
† Andrew Tran, Vincent Vu, Maria Diep	
Fri Apr 10, 9am	† Denise Sylvester
Sat Apr 11, 5pm	Mary Gladwish-Ciniello
Theresa Gladwish & Dorothy Gladwish Miller	
Hlg. Helen Hachey	† Campo Elias Caycedo
† Stephen Taylor	† Marie Harris
† Mary Theresa Xavier & Xavier Savirimuthu	
† Souls in Purgatory	
Sun Apr 12, 9am	† Manuel & Francisca Rodrigues
Sun Apr 12, 11am	For Our Parishioners

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

March 29, 2026

Envelopes (169) \$3,107
Loose \$1,473

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SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL BOOK SALE: SSVP is hosting a book sale on April 18th and 19th. We would appreciate donations of any gently used fiction, non-fiction, and children's books. Please drop your books off in the white box in the foyer of the church. Mark the dates on your calendar to get your books for your summer reading.



JUSTICE FOR MIGRANT WORKERS PRESENTATION, APRIL 7th AT 7PM IN PARISH CENTRE:

Join the Catholic Women's League for a special presentation on Temporary Foreign Workers and injustices faced in Canada. Become aware of the reality of migrant workers and learn more about the impact of the work of Development and Peace. Be informed and learn about efforts to improve. All welcome Catholic Women's meeting to follow. Any questions call Leony at 289-556- 6916

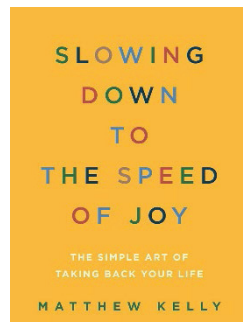


ST. VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION:

Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting donations after all Masses next weekend. SSVP envelopes are available at back of the church for those who would like income tax receipts at the end of the year.

ST RAPHAEL PARISH BOOK CLUB - SLOWING DOWN TO THE SPEED OF JOY:

Beginning the evening of **April 8th at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall**, our St. Raphael Parish Book Club will begin our third book. Those joining will pick-up/receive a copy of *Slowing Down to the Speed of Joy* and the weekly reading list. The club format will be 5 weekly 90 minute sessions. The expectation is that you will read ahead the material that will be discussed. Yes, back to homework.



Slowing Down to the Speed of Joy is a deeply personal book. By revealing his own vulnerabilities, Matthew Kelly provides us with the practical insights and timeless wisdom necessary to banish busy and urgent from our own lives. The faster you go the more likely you are to crash. Are you feeling anxious, overwhelmed, discouraged, exhausted, stressed, inadequate and resentful from time to time? The speed and busyness of our lives stand in direct opposition to what we say matters most. It's time for a new strategy. It's time to embrace the speed of joy.

- Week 1 - THE JAR OF LIFE Pick up your book and the group explores the Prologue
- Week 2 - Beyond the Joyless Urgency (Pages 1-25)
- Week 3 - Human Flourishing (Pages 27-64)
- Week 4 - The One Thing Pages (65-101)
- Week 5 - The Secret of Life Pages (103-149)

PILGRIMAGE TO MONTREAL AND QUEBEC:

Join Father Wilson on a 4-day pilgrimage from **July 24 – 27**, for the 150th Anniversary celebration of the Feast of St. Anne de Beaupre. Father Wilson will con-celebrate the Sunday Mass celebration. Stops include St. Joseph's Oratory, Mary Queen of Peace, Cap-de-la-Madeleine. Price ranges from \$695 - \$985 (based on occupancy) and includes coach travel from St. Raphael Church, 3 nights' accommodation, and some meals. For more information, please contact Lin T. at International Tours 416-837-9306.

ROSARY MAKING GROUP:

If you would like to learn to make rosaries, please join our small friendly group every Friday at 10:15am in the St. Francis room. Supplies and instruction provided. For more information, please contact Sylvia Heald at 905-220-5652 or sylviaheald@gmail.com

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS FOR CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Children's Liturgy is offered Sunday at 11am. We are seeking leaders and student volunteers to help on one Sunday per month. If you would like to volunteer with this ministry, please call the parish office.

MIRACLE OF THE SUN IN FATIMA: PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE, SPAIN PORTUGAL: Join Father Wilson from **Oct 2 - 14, 2026**, for a 13-day pilgrimage from the Notre Dame Cathedral, Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Chapel, St. Vincent De Paul Church, Basilicas in Lourdes, Zaragoza, Madrid, Avila, Burgos, Santiago De Compostela, and Fatima. Price: **\$5,340 per person**. For more information, please contact Lin T. at International Tours 416-837-9306 or at <https://www.ihtours.com/tour/pilgrimage-to-france-spain-portugal-11/>

THE YEAR OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI: The Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV has proclaimed this to be the "Year of St. Francis of Assisi," a special Jubilee in celebration of the 800th year since the holy death of St. Francis. The Diocese of Hamilton has put together a special webpage in celebration of this moment of faith. Join us in prayer and contemplation as we turn our hearts towards this saint of simplicity, peace, and joyful discipleship. All resources for adults and young people can be found here: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/year-of-st-francis-of-assisi/>.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION ANNOUNCEMENT: Our Good Friday Collection is taken at the request of the Holy See. It is for the support of the many social, educational, and parish projects of the Church throughout the Holy Land, as well as the upkeep of the Holy Sites. It helps to ensure the presence of the Church and peace in this land. We invite you to give generously.

Please pray for:

Nicola Izzi

If you would like a loved one prayed for by the parish please call the Parish Office by Tuesday morning.

THE LITURGY OF THE HOURS: Join us for Morning Prayer in the Adoration Chapel Monday to Friday at 8:15am. This Liturgical prayer of the church unites us in a special way with Jesus and the whole people of God through a meditative dialogue on the Mystery of Christ, using scripture and prayer. This ten minutes of prayer is a great way to start the day. For more information, please contact Sylvia Heald at 905-220-5652 sylviaheald@gmail.com

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: A reminder that the office will be closed on **Fri. April 3rd and Mon. April 6th**.

BISHOP DABROWSKI'S MESSAGE FOR EASTER: The Most Reverend Bishop Dabrowski C.S.M.A. has released an Easter Message. To read his message please visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/office/bishops-office/bishops-messages/>



VOCATIONS RECOGNITION DINNER 2026: The Serra Club of Hamilton warmly invites you to attend the 23rd Annual Vocations Recognition Dinner on **Wednesday, April 29**, at Liuna Station to celebrate the dedicated service of our Priests, Deacons, Religious Brothers and Sisters, and Consecrated Virgins in the Diocese of Hamilton. Milestone anniversaries will be honoured, and we will hear the inspiring faith journeys of this year's ordinandi and candidates. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$90 per person. For more information and to order tickets, visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/>. This event is co-sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton.



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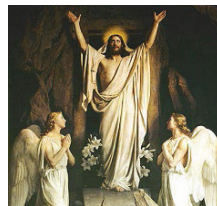
MAiD (Medical Assistance in Dying) FOR MENTAL ILLNESS: AN EXPLORATION OF THE DEEPER ISSUES: The Canadian Catholic Institute is offering a free webinar regarding mental illness and MAiD in Canada on **Thursday, April 9th from 7:00–8:00 PM (EST)**

Format: Online Webinar (Zoom) – Registration Required: [Click here to register](#) (real-time captioned translation available in 35+ languages)

Objectives:

1. To explain how MAiD has evolved in Canada and what it could mean to extend it to mental illness
2. To outline key questions and serious clinical and ethical challenges raised by the proposal to extend MAiD to people with mental illness
3. To share a few real-world examples that demonstrate why this issue is complex and deeply troubling
4. To encourage reflection on how families, communities, and systems can better support individuals so that MAiD does not feel like the only option

HAPPY EASTER!!! May this Easter inspire you to new hope, faith and joy in life. Wishing you and your family a meaningful celebration of Easter!



Do not forget to smile, God loves you.
Fr. Wilson, Fr. Emmanuel,
& Parish Staff

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