

# *Annunciation of Our Lord Parish*

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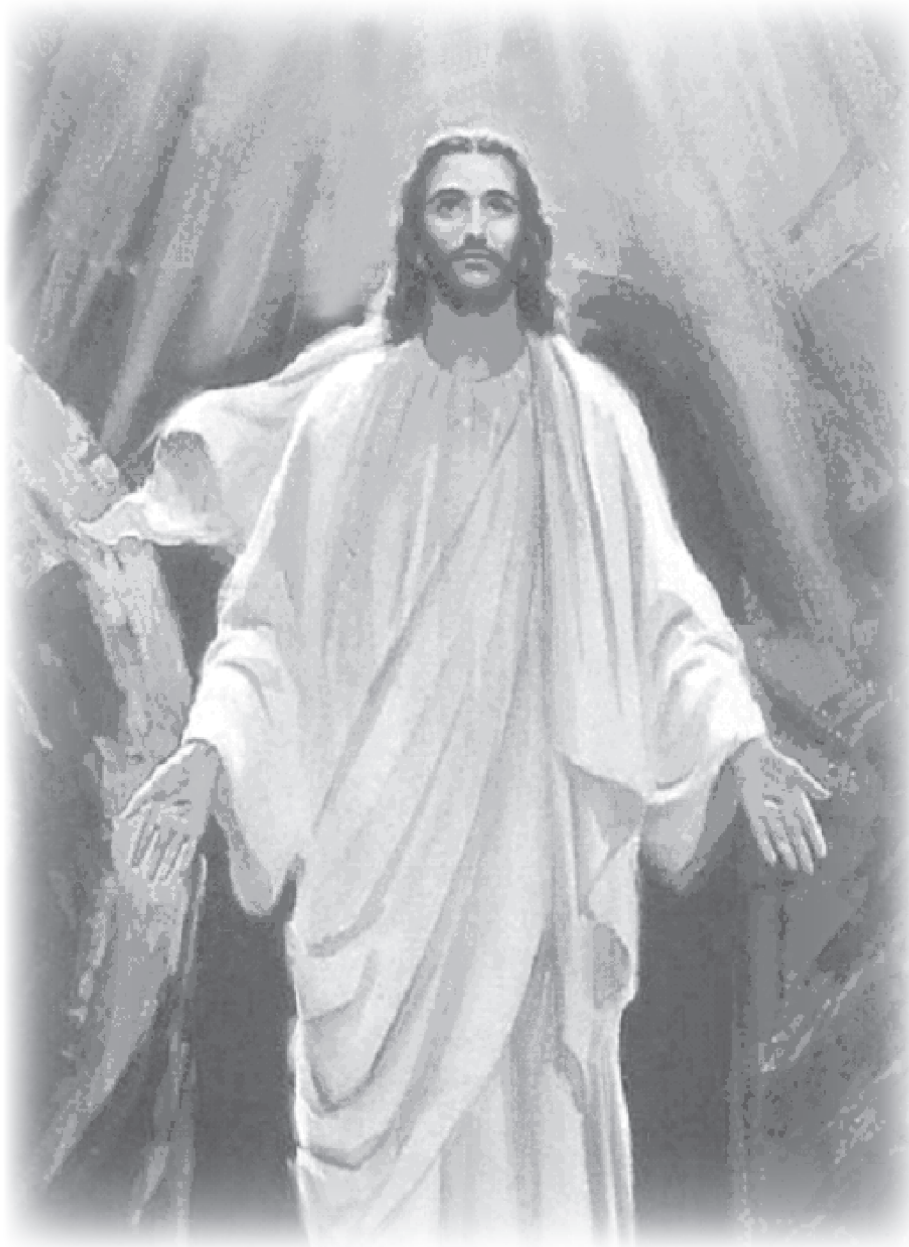
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*Christ is Risen!*

## Mass for the Intentions Week

**Monday April 1<sup>st</sup> – No Mass**

**Tuesday April 2<sup>nd</sup> – 7:00pm** Emilia Rinaldo, Murdoch Currie, Cologero Lo Giudice (30yr anniversary), Patricia Kelly, Maurice & Sidonie Van Ooteghem, Carmen Mancini (10<sup>th</sup> anniversary)

**Wednesday April 3<sup>rd</sup> – 9:00am** Sp. Int Lammaino Family

**Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup> – 9:00am** - Carlo Fede

**First Friday April 5<sup>th</sup> 9:00am** - Maria Lamenta

**First Saturday April 6<sup>th</sup> – 5:00pm** Edda Aiello, George Thomas, Lucia Spetrini, Lauro Pinheiro, Jose Luis Silva, Olivieri Licia Mary, Martin Uddenberg, Deceased members of the Monti family, Deceased members of the Laws family, In thanksgiving for the Giordano family

**Sunday April 7<sup>th</sup>**

**9:30 am Pro Populo 11:30 am Pro Populo**

### PRAY TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP



The two blue candles by Our Mother of Perpetual Help can be lit for your intention (\$5 each). The shrine is located by our Blessed Tabernacle. We encourage all our parishioners to take a moment and offer a prayer for these intentions:

*In Loving Memory of Filomena & Guiseppa D'Agata,  
Happy Easter from your loving daughter Guiseppina*

### Diocesan Prayer Calendar

<b>Monday:</b>	Rev. Piotr Machnacki, S.A.C
<b>Tuesday</b>	Very Rev. Ranjan D'Sa, O.C.D
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Oblates of Mary Immaculate
<b>Thursday:</b>	Rev. Joseph Ahilan, C.R.S.P
<b>Friday:</b>	Rev. Benedict T. Insigne
<b>Saturday:</b>	Rev. David Avila

### PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

*God, the source of creation and love, you invite each of us to serve you through the life which is your gift. May your grace encourage men and women to heights of holiness through service to the Church as married couples, priests, consecrated virgins, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give of themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen.*

### READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY



Acts 4.32-35  
1 John 5.1-6  
John 20.19-31

"Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!'"

## SUNDAY OFFERINGS



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**March 10th, 2024, \$ 5753.65**

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### From the Pastor's Desk

"Who will roll away the stone?" This was the question the women pondered that first Easter Sunday as they went to anoint the body of Jesus. They found the stone rolled away and the tomb empty, with the message of the angel saying he had risen. Through his triumph over death, by rising from the dead, Christ has rolled away the stones in our lives, He has removed everything that might make us stray from Him, that might separate us from His love. We rejoice that our Saviour has conquered death by death and in rising from the dead gives life to all who believe in His name. Thanks to all who made our Holy Week celebrations so beautiful. To our lectors, ushers, Extraordinary Ministers, and Altar Servers, to our sacristy team and to those who made the Church look so wonderful. We are blessed to have so many dedicated volunteers. On behalf of our Parish staff, I wish you and your families a very Happy Easter. He is Risen! Truly, He is Risen! Alleluia!

**Fr Paul**

### Easter Sunday

The glorious Feast of the Resurrection of Christ proclaims, forever, that life is greater than death, Jesus commanded us to preach this good news to all peoples in all places at all times. If you feel God is calling you to minister in His Church as a priest, religious or deacon, call Fr Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamltondiocese.com

## **Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord**

Normally, our patronal feast day is celebrated on March 25. This year March 25 occurs during Holy Week, so the solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord is transferred to the Monday after the Octave of Easter, April 8. We will have a solemn mass with music and incense at 7:00pm that evening. His Excellency, Bishop Wayne Lobsinger will preside and preach at the Mass. There will be refreshments in the Parish Centre to follow courtesy of the Knights of Columbus.

**Congratulations:** To the grade 2 students of our Parish, who will be receiving their First Holy Communion over the next couple of weekends. Thanks to their teachers and parents for preparing them. We pray they may encounter Jesus in the Eucharist often.

## **St Vincent de Paul**

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God bless you.

**Congratulations:** To our newly Baptized! We pray for Sachi, Gishani, and Richard as they have been welcomed into the Church through Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. We pray that these Sacraments may make them more like Christ each day of their lives. Thanks to their sponsors and our RCIA team members for guiding them through the process since the fall. If you know an adult who may be interested in becoming Catholic, get them to be in touch with the office.

## **Youth Group**

The next youth group meeting is April 7th. Students in grade 6-10 are welcome! Join us in the parish hall after the 11:30 mass until 2pm.

## **Discarding of Old Palms**

With this being Palm Sunday, some may be wondering how to dispose of your old Palms, since they have been blessed. Please do not throw them out in the garbage. You can either break them up and put them into your garden to decompose, or you can burn them in your fireplace.

May the hope of Easter bring renewal to your spirit and blessings to your life.

We wish all our parishioners a very blessed Easter.

## **The Serra Club of Hamilton**

Invites you to their annual Vocations Recognition Dinner on Wednesday, May 15 at Liuna Station. Join us as we honour those to be ordained Priests and Permanent Deacons this year for our Diocese. For more information, please contact Margaret at [serrahamilton1965@gmail.com](mailto:serrahamilton1965@gmail.com)

**Also:** Father Paul is considering buying a table for the Parish. If you're interested in attending, let him or the office know.

## **THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2024? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 26, 2024, at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is available online at [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com) under Upcoming Events.

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