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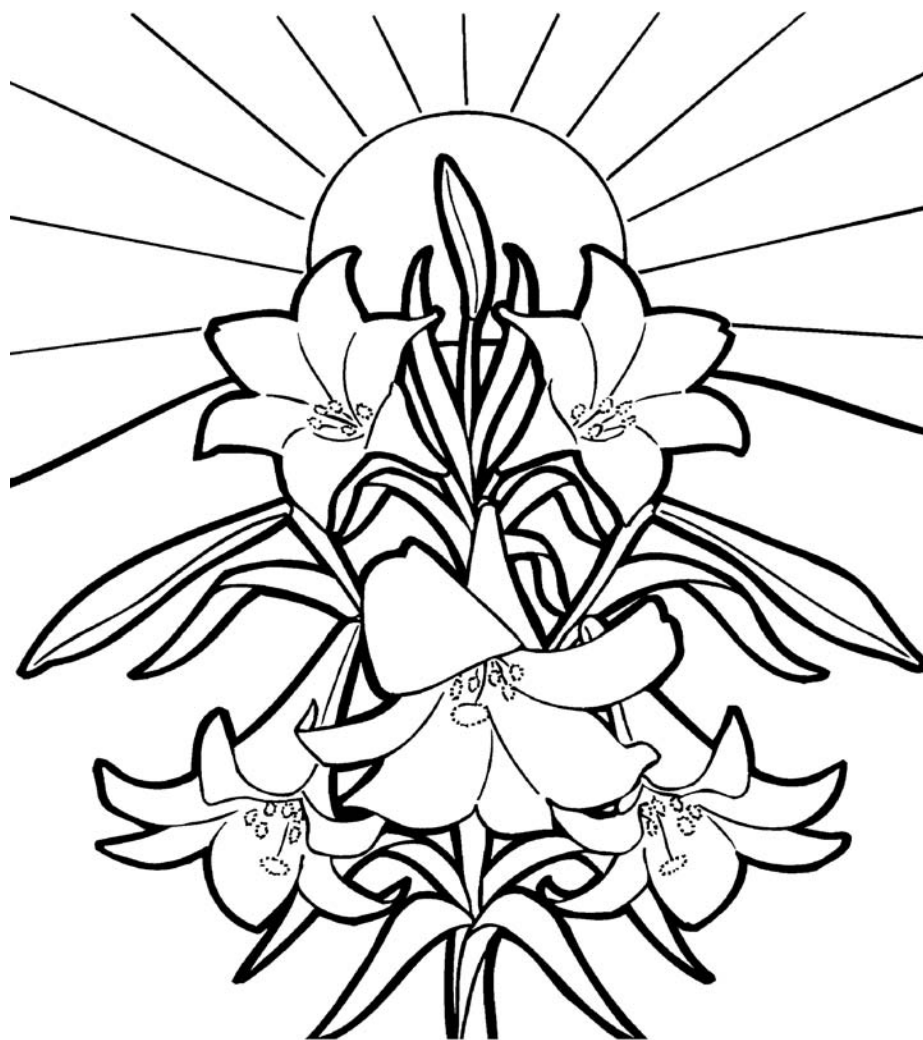
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**The Lord has Risen,  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

# EASTER SUNDAY

## MASSES FOR WEEK OF APRIL 10<sup>TH</sup>

### Tuesday, April 11, No Mass

*No one, however weak, is denied a share in the victory of the cross. No one is beyond the help of the prayer of Christ. – St. Leo the Great*

### Wednesday, April 12, No Mass

*For just as by dying he endures all evil to deliver us from evil, so was he glorified in rising to advance us to good things, according to Romans 4:25 which says that "he was put to death for our trespasses and raised for our justification". – St. Thomas Aquinas*

### Thursday, April 13, 12:05 pm

**+Colleen Weber;** Lori, Ann & Martin & Families  
**+Joanne Moser;** Jim & Marilyn Moser & Family

*To those whom Christ has given light as he has risen, to them he has appeared spiritually: he has been shown to their spiritual eyes. When this happens to us through the Spirit, he raises us from the dead and gives us life. – St. Symeon*

### Friday, April 14, 9:00 am – Maryhill

*Now all things have been filled with light, both heaven and earth and those beneath the earth; so let all creation sing Christ's rising, by which it is established. – St. John Damascene*

### Saturday, April 15, 5:00 pm

**+James Furlong;** Marcella Furlong & Family  
**+Rita Graff;** Allan, Jane, Jeanne & Steve

### Sunday, April 16, Second Sunday of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday

9:00 am Our Parish Community  
11:00 am Maryhill

### READINGS FOR April 15/16

First Reading: Acts 2:42-47  
Second Reading: 1 Pt 1:3-9  
Gospel Reading: Jn 20:19-31

### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

**TUE** 6:00 pm **First Communion Session** – Hall  
7:30 pm **Confirmation Session** – Hall  
4:00 pm **5 pm Choir Practice** - Church  
**SAT & SUN** **First Communion Enrolment** - Church

### HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., April 10 Rev. Archange Kébé  
Tues., April 11 Rev. Godwin Pinto, O.C.D.  
Wed., April 12 Permanent Deacons  
Thurs., April 13 Rev. Malcolm Katzenberger  
Fri., April 14 Rev. John Schnurr  
Sat., April 15 Rev. Pawel Stankiewicz

### LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

For a culture of peace and non-violence – We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

### FOODBANK NEEDS

Crackers, Sidekicks and Juice

## MINISTRIES for April 15/16

### Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Judy Furlong  
9am Dianne McGuire

### Hospitality

5pm Marianne Kieswetter, Marilyn Hurlburt  
9am Ron Stemmler, Carol & Ed Kieswetter

### Lector

5pm Kevin Dupuis  
9am Paul Shutsa

### Commentator

Lisa Denomme  
Wally Malcolm

### Children's Liturgy

Apr 16 Ken Gallipeau, Anna Jakeman

### Sign Ministry

Apr 11 Kieran Kelly

### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Easter Blessings to you and your families. May the Risen Lord continue to live in your hearts. I want to thank all St. Teresa staff and volunteers for all their hard work over the Lenten and Easter Season. I could not do anything here without the help from ALL OF YOU.

Lord, help us to live in the gladness and grace of Easter Sunday, every day. Let us have hearts of thankfulness for your sacrifice. Let us have eyes that look upon Your grace and rejoice in our salvation. Help us to walk in that mighty grace and tell Your good news to the world.

Fr. Peter

The **C.W.L. GENERAL MEETING** on **Tuesday, April 11<sup>th</sup>** is **cancelled** as there are no agenda items this month.

Ladies, watch your email for how you can help out at our Elegant Afternoon Tea coming up on Saturday, May 13th!

**FINANCE UPDATE** – The last heating/air conditioning units have now been installed and paid. You will notice the drop in our Building Fund Account. Thank you to all those who have supported this project. There will be a Finance Report in May.

### We will be offering **SESSIONS COVERING THE**

**FUNDAMENTALS OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH** for those who would like to explore the possibility of being Baptized and/or Confirmed in the Catholic faith. No commitment is called for to begin. All of the teachings are summaries of the essentials of the Catechism. If you are interested please speak to Father Peter or pick up a registration form from Donna in the parish office.

### The C.W.L. will be hosting an **ELEGANT AFTERNOON TEA**.

Would you be able to help us? We are in need of trays on which to serve the sandwiches and desserts and also teapots. If you have a two-tiered or three-tiered dessert platter or china teapot that you can lend us for this special event we would appreciate it. Please contact the Parish Office by email at

stteresaelmira@hamiltondiocese.com or by telephone at 519-669-3387 if you are able to help us with this request for this special event.

APRIL 9, 2023

If you are in Grade 4 or older and are interested in being an **ALTAR SERVER** at weekend Masses please contact Iris Miltenburg at the Parish Office at 519-669-3387 or by email at stteresaelmira@hamiltondiocese.com. Training is provided.

The next set of groups/workshops presented by Woolwich Counselling Centre are below. Please see the bulletin board for more information about each individual group/workshop.:

- **PRACTICING POSITIVE THINKING AND GRATITUDE**, Adult Workshop, no cost, virtual workshop on **Monday, April 10, 2023** from 7 – 8 p.m.
- **CONNECT: PARENTING GROUP**, in person group on **Wednesdays, April 12 – June 14, 2023** from 6:30 – 8 p.m.
- **IMPORTANCE OF SELF-CARE FOR PARENTS, Parenting Workshop**, no cost, virtual workshop, on **Thursday, April 13, 2023** from 7- 8 p.m.
- **OPTIMIZING OUR MENTAL AND EMOTIONAL WELLNESS AS WE AGE**, no cost, in-person sessions, on **Wednesdays, April 19 – May 17, 2023** from 1 – 2 p.m. Learn more and register by calling 519-669-8651 or by emailing info@woolwichcounselling.org or drop by at 65 Memorial Avenue, Elmira for any of the above groups/workshops.

The next **PRAYER VIGIL** is **Thursday, April 13<sup>th</sup>** from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. opposite Freeport Hospital, 3570 King Street East, Kitchener, for babies being aborted. If you cannot physically attend, would you devote an hour to praying? Please pray for an end to abortion and pray for the conversion of hearts. Parking is across the road at Schneider Park. Any queries, contact Cathy at kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com or call 519-742-9025.

**GRIEF RELIEF** – Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Join us on Thursdays from 7 – 8:30 p.m. from **April 13<sup>th</sup> – May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023** to learn more about what you are feeling and how to gently move forward. You are not alone! This program will be offered online using Zoom. To register, go to [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) and look under Upcoming Events. For information, call Teresa at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

**BEYOND THE PEW – WHAT NOW?** Come join us as we take the dialogue to the next level. In our winter speaker series, we heard from local speakers, with boots on the ground, about homelessness, addiction, mental health, our youth. What did these mean for you? To your Parish? To our community? What is your heart calling you to do? Father Ed Hinsperger will guide us through a process that will help us emerge with a clear vision of action. Whether you wish to be part of the solution with a group, with your family, or on your own, these conversations will help determine positive action steps forward in faith, guided by the Holy Spirit, and in the company of like-minded people. Whether you attended the Beyond the Pew sessions, or not, you are welcome. The only requirement is that you wish to work towards a more just and caring community. Join us on

**Tuesday, April 18, 2023** from 6:30 - 8:30 pm in the St. Clement Church Hall, 745 Duke St, Cambridge. Contact the office to register at 519-653-6123 or stclements@rogers.com.

The next **LECTURE IN CATHOLIC EXPERIENCE** is on **Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup>** at Notre Dame Chapel, SJ1 Classrooms and Library Building at St. Jerome's University at 7:30 p.m. Dr. Jose Pereira, Director, Division of Palliative Care and Professor in the Department of Family Medicine at McMaster University in Hamilton, will speak on "The End of Life Care and the Cost of Neglect". There is complimentary parking. It is wheelchair accessible. Refreshments will be served prior to the lecture. Admission is free, but please register as seating is limited. Tickets are not required at the door.

**AGING ISSUES: LISTENING TO INDIGENOUS VOICES** – join us for this chance to learn about aging from the perspective of three Indigenous speakers in our region. The Diocese, through the Family Ministry Office, is co-sponsoring this Zoom event on **Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>** from 2-4 p.m. For registration and info, contact Ellen Ryan, hamiltonagingcommunity@gmail.com or at 905-648-0437.

There is an **80<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY OPEN HOUSE FOR PAUL WINTERMEYER** on **Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>** from 1 – 4 at the Elmira Legion. Join us as we celebrate with Paul.

**CARD PARTY** - St. Anthony Daniel Parish C.W.L. is hosting a Card Party on **Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>** in the St. Anthony Daniel Parish Life Centre. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. with lunch served at 12:00 noon. Cost is \$15 per person which includes lunch, refreshments, and prizes and lots of fun playing your favorite game with friends. Plan to join us. For tickets contact the parish office at 519-893-6960 or Linda Howey at 519-893-2534.

**MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH** – Easter provides us with a clear picture of how much God loves us, since he sent his son to die on the Cross so we could have eternal life. Easter highlights the importance of forgiveness and our call as Catholics to forgive both ourselves and others. Marriage is an essential place to put this call to forgive into action. Forgiveness means we let go of issues, after discussing and working them out, and then move forward in love. It means showing mercy when mistakes are made and remembering that forgiving allows us to put love first. So, remember to forgive in your marriages so you can both find a place of peace. From the Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

  
Easter

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

<b>Offertory collection for April 1/2:</b>	<b>\$3,579.80</b>
<b>Weekly parish operating expenses:</b>	<b>\$4,724.64</b>
<b>Building &amp; Maintenance Fund Balance:</b>	<b>\$30,760.04</b>
<b>Thank you!</b>	

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