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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday 9:00am - 4:00pm

Friday 9:00am -12:00noon

WEEKDAY MASS:

**Tuesday, 7:00pm
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
9:00am**

SUNDAY MASS:

**Saturday, 5:00pm
Sunday, 9:00am, 11:00am**

RECONCILIATION:

**Tuesday, 6:15pm -6:45pm
Saturday, 4:00-4:30pm
(or by appointment)**

BAPTISMS: Please contact the office at least 3 months prior to desired date.

Becoming Catholic-RCIA: For those not Baptized, or who have not yet completed their initiation, please call the office or speak to one of the priests.

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES: www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca 905-522-7727

FUNERALS: When a family death occurs, please contact the office for assistance with arrangements.

MARRIAGE: Couples intending to marry, kindly contact the office about a year in advance.
Wedding Anniversary Blessing on the last Sunday of the month.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: Do you know someone in need? Please contact 905-383-4850 or visit our website at <https://www.ssvphamiltonpc.org/scos>

VOCATIONS: Diocese of Hamilton www.hamiltonvocations.com

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN OUR PARISH:

Corpus Christi: 905-389-3940

St. John Paul II: 905-525-1300

St. Marguerite d'Youville: 905-387-4600

St. Teresa of Calcutta: 905-318-7933

St. Jean De Brebeuf Secondary: 905-388-7020

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

Our Financial Stewardship:

The foundation of all stewardship is a generous heart.

April 20/21, 2024 \$ 11,814.15

April 27/28, 2024 \$ 10,423.10

Month of April – Canada Helps

\$ 3,951.15

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

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| Mon | St. François de Laval Patron of the Bishops of Canada |
| Tues | Very Rev. David Wynen |
| Wed | Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul of Zagreb (S.O.C.) |
| Thurs | Rev. Mark Morley |
| Fri | Very Rev. Adrian Lee |
| Sat | Rev. Fadi Rizk |

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



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| Tues May 7 | 7:00pm | Germano & Elda Crinella Nicola & Domenica DiPietro Anna Coleman Emmett & Isobel Kelly Josephine Weinberger Special Intentions of S.J. |
| Wed May 8 | 9:00am | All Souls in Purgatory |
| Thurs May 9 | 9:00am | Ryan Balanoba |
| Fri May 10 | 9:00am | Nicola Gabriele |
| Sat May 11 | 5:00pm | Luigi Gabriele Maria Del Sordo Corinne Austin Deceased members of the Minicucci & DiLiello families Virginia Te Ong Silvio & Josie Pacini Mary d'Eon |

Sixth Sunday of Easter - May 5, 2024

The greatest love story that ever happened: God's continuing love for His people. All God asks is "Love one another as I have loved you". The world really needs to see people who are trying to love others with all their hearts. Priests, religious and deacons can be excellent examples of this love. If you are willing to answer God's call, **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988**. email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com
hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

BLESSING OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES STATUE:

The new statue of Our Lady of Lourdes in our walkway leading into the church was set up after the Dedication Mass, so it has not been blessed. We have invited Bishop Wayne Lobsinger to come for the blessing of this statue. It will take place on Saturday May 4 at 11am. We will begin in the church with a Scriptural Rosary. Then we will process out to the Grotto for the blessing. All parishioners are invited to join us for this ceremony.

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY

St. Elizabeth of Hungary Chapel at Rymal and Garth is a part of our parish. Everyone is welcome to attend. Daily weekday Mass at 8:30am, Sun. Mass at 9:30am.

ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS AT OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS CEMETERY

The Annual Memorial Mass at Our Lady of the Angels Cemetery in Stoney Creek will take place on Saturday, May 4 at 11:00. The celebrant will be Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI, Bishop of Hamilton. All are welcome!

SEMINARIAN WELCOME:

Our parish has been asked to provide a Pastoral Experience for one of the seminarians studying for the priesthood for our Diocese of Hamilton. Adrian Dieleman will be arriving in our parish the week of May 13 and be with us until August 11. Adrian is from Georgetown and is studying in Sacred Heart Seminary in Milwaukee. The plan is for him to spend his summers in our parish for his Pastoral Experience. We want him to experience all aspects of parish life. I know that you will all make him feel very welcome.

HEART2HANDS

Our next Heart2Hands workshop will be held on May 11, 2024 from 1 to 3 pm in our church hall. All are welcome or if you are interested in helping out or seeing what we are all about, please join us.

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL Everyone is welcome to the St. Vincent de Paul dinner celebration on Friday, May 31 at Michelangelos's. Join in the fun of bidding for items at the silent auction. Tickets are \$80.00. Raffle tickets still available. The big draw will take place at the dinner. We are honoured to have Connie Smith as our MC for the evening. <https://fb.watch/rDREX-h5-1/>
Precious Moments - many thanks to those who contributed beautiful suits, dresses and accessories for our graduates in June. Your kindness will ensure memories that will last a lifetime.

Our latest SSVP Newsletter is now available, <https://svphamiltonpc.org/news/>. Thank you for your support!

Volunteers are greatly needed at our SSVP Thrift Store. Please Email Rita at ritassvphamilton@gmail.com.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

YOUTH TEAM - If you are looking to give back to your community, we welcome students from grade 7 to grade 12 to join our newly formed youth group. First meeting May 1, 2024 at 7pm in the Church Hall. For further information, please call Barb at 905 515-7059.



HANDICRAFT HOLY LAND CHRISTIANS

On the weekend of



May 4-5, we will welcome our special guest Sebastien Cardinal representing "Handicraft Holy Land Christians", who after all the masses will briefly address the issues and concerns regarding the Christian presence in the Holy Land.

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CONCERNED LAY CATHOLICS IN CANADA

Concerned Lay Catholics invites you to free monthly webinar conversations as we walk the path together towards a synodal church. Nurturing Synodality Series Making our Input Count: Sharing Our Perspectives with Synod Delegate - Sr. Elizabeth Davis, one of the 54 women delegates at the Synod on Synodality in Rome (2023-2024). Sunday, May 5, 2024, 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. To register, please visit concernedlaycatholics@gmail.com.

ROSES FOR LIFE

The Knights of Columbus will be in the narthex Mother's Day weekend May 11th & 12th selling Roses for Life. This fund raising campaign is to raise awareness of pro-life in our community and to distribute the funds raised to programs that support pro life initiatives.

PENTECOST SUNDAY CHOIR:

A couple of our parishioners belong to a Zimbabwean Catholic group that support each other spiritually. They have a choir and have offered to lead music at our parish Masses on *Pentecost Sunday* for our 9am and 11am Masses. This will include a couple hymns in their Shona language. We are glad to have them help us to celebrate Pentecost. The Spirit creates the unity of the church in great diversity as we are truly a universal (catholic) church.

HAMILTON RIGHT TO LIFE BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

CHANGE FOR LIFE MOTHER'S DAY – FATHER'S DAY

Our church is once again partnering with Hamilton Right to Life through their 2024 Baby Bottle Campaign from Mother's Day to Father's Day. Baby Bottles will be available to take after the Worship Service / Mass on Sunday May 12th, Mother's Day, and you are asked to return them on Sunday June 16th, Father's Day. Please take a bottle and fill it up with your coins, paper money or cheque. Hamilton Right to Life needs your support to raise money to educate, advertise, and get the message throughout the City of Hamilton of the devastating effects of abortion and other life-threatening issues. Please pray for families affected by abortion today. You can learn more about Hamilton Right to Life at www.HamiltonRightToLife.org or by calling 905-528-3065.

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