## **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.

#### Clergy

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#### **Parish Office Hours**

Tuesday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 12 noon & 1 - 4 p.m. Friday 9 a.m. - 12 noon Office closed - Sat. / Sun. / Mon.

#### Masses on the Lord's Day

Saturday 5 p.m. | Sunday 9 a.m. & 11 a.m. Summer - Saturday 5 p.m. | Sunday Mass 10 a.m.

#### Weekday Mass

Tuesday - Friday 8 a.m. (Rosary at 7:30 a.m.)

#### **Confessions**

Saturday 4:00 - 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.

Welcome to Holy Rosary Catholic Community. We hope you enjoyed your Lord's Day worship.



## Mass Intentions This Week (8:00 a.m. unless otherwise noted)

Join us to pray the Rosary before Mass. Rosary starts at 7:30 a.m.

Tues. April 6	Katherine Fraser	
Wed. April 7	Deceased Priests of Hamilton	
	Diocese	
Thurs. April 8	John Ivanco	
Fri. April 9	Janice Sebastian	
Sat. April 10	Hugh Johns	
@ 5pm	Dean Wellwood	
	Larry Paron	
	Eva Quan	
	Mario D'Angelo	

#### **CONGRATULATIONS!!!**

On the night of the Easter Vigil, three new members are being added to the Catholic Church and to our parish community through the Sacraments of Initiation. **Jason Sinukoff** and **Michael Smith** are baptized, and **Helen Williams** is received into the full communion of the Catholic Church. All three are confirmed, and all three receive Holy Communion for the first time. It has been a joy and an inspiration to journey with them through the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) process this year. Pray for them, that they may strive to be faithful to Christ throughout their lives. Thanks to our RCIA Team for generous and loving service: Monsignor Martin, Mary Edmondstone, Marlene Ilijanich, and Luisa Rossi. The RCIA gatherings conclude for this year on Thursday, April 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### **DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR**

Mon. April 5	Rev. Louis Lenssen, C.R.S.P.	
Tues. April 6	Rev. Fernando Ferreira Pinto,	
·	C.S.Sp.	
Wed. April 7	Oblates of Mary Immaculate (O.M.I.)	
Thurs. April 8	Rev. Allen Varlaki	
Fri. April 9	Rev. Paul Edmondstone	
Sat. April 10	Rev. Jerzy Tomon	

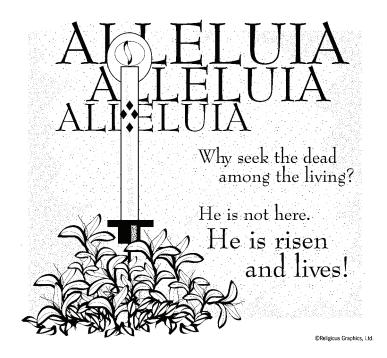
#### INVITATION TO COMMUNAL SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Monday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 7 pm (via Zoom) **Delve Deeper into Praying the Psalms**All are welcome. If interested, please contact Vicky: <a href="mailto:siuming.chen@gmail.com">siuming.chen@gmail.com</a>.

# Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord

April 4, 2021

Christ will come again!



#### **REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL**

Reflect upon the next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week. The Gospel for the Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) is

John 20.19-31

#### **OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

We thank you for your continued spiritual and financial support of Holy Rosary Parish.

March 27<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> Collection

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Sunday	Sunday	Pre-Authorized	Share Lent
Envelopes	Loose	Debit	
\$ 2,752	\$ 387	\$ 1,414	\$ 1,639

Your generous Easter contributions are deeply appreciated. This will be reported upon next week. The "first-quarter 2021" picture of our parish finances is looking very hopeful, despite the continued restrictions under which we labour.

# SHARE SHARE LOVE LENT

#### **SHARE LENT 2021**

Thank you so much for your great generosity in this year's collection. As of last Sunday, we are now up to \$ 9,346.00

received so far, for this inspiring work. You are still welcome to contribute at any time in the next couple of weeks. This year's theme relies for its inspiration on Pope Francis' recent encyclical, *Fratelli Tutti*; it is "Share Love, Share Lent". For more information and resources, go to <a href="https://www.devp.org">https://www.devp.org</a>.





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Did you know that our parish has a Life Team dedicated to praying for the pro-life intentions of our families, community and Nation? If you

have a pro-life intention or you're interested in being part of the Life Team, please contact Mariana and Rafael by emailing to minakawa@live.com.

For more information about Life Teams visit our website: <a href="https://www.haltonalive.ca/volunteer">https://www.haltonalive.ca/volunteer</a>.



## "FAMILY CORNER" ON PARISH WEBSITE

Did you know that there is a tab on the parish website called "Family Corner"? Includes weekly

Children's Liturgy of the Word (courtesy of Mary Mother of God Parish in Oakville); children's activities; and resources for families for spiritual and family growth, especially during these Sacred times. <a href="https://www.holyrosaryburlington.com/">https://www.holyrosaryburlington.com/</a>

<u>Please be sure to check out</u> the rich Holy Week/Easter Family resource, sent to us courtesy of several Diocesan Offices. This can likewise be found on the parish website. Or go to https://hamiltondiocese.com/holyweek2021/

#### **DIVINE MERCY CELEBRATION**

Come join in the Annual Celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, at Saint Gabriel's Church, 2261 Parkway Drive, Burlington. Starts with Confessions at 2:00 P.M. Service at 3:00 P.M., with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Divine Mercy Chaplet. Celebrant: Monsignor Ted Slaman. Call 905-335-6902 for further information.

#### **EASTER WORDS OF HOPE FROM POPE FRANCIS**:

A single phrase astounds the woman and changes history: "Why do you seek the living among the dead?" (Lk 24:5). Why do you think that everything is hopeless, that no one can take away your own tombstones? Why do you give in to resignation or failure? Easter, brothers and sisters, is the feast of tombstones taken away, rocks rolled aside. God takes away even the hardest stones against which our hopes and expectations crash: death, sin, fear, worldliness. Human history does not end before a tombstone, because today it encounters the "living stone" (cf. 1 Pet 2:4), the risen Jesus. We, as Church, are built on him, and, even when we grow disheartened and tempted to judge everything in the light of our failures, he comes to make all things new, to overturn our every disappointment. Each of us is called tonight to rediscover in the Risen Christ the one who rolls back from our heart the heaviest of stones. So let us first ask: What is the stone that I need to remove, what is the name of this stone?

Often what blocks hope is the stone of discouragement. Once we start thinking that everything is going badly and that things can't get worse, we lose heart and come to believe that death is stronger than life. We become cynical, negative and despondent. Stone upon stone, we build within ourselves a monument to our own dissatisfaction: the sepulcher of hope. Life becomes a succession of complaints and we grow sick in spirit. A kind of tomb psychology takes over: everything ends there, with no hope of emerging alive. But at that moment, we hear once more the insistent question of Easter: Why do you seek the living among the dead? The Lord is not to be found in resignation. He is risen; he is not there. Don't seek him where you will never find him: he is not the God of the dead but of the living (cf. Mk 22:32). Do not bury hope!



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