

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.

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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 are spiritually enriched by the Lord's Day worship.

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 19, 2023

Blessed are those who hope in the Lord.



Mass Intentions
(8:00 a.m. unless otherwise noted)
Join us to pray the Rosary before Mass.
Rosary starts at 7:30 a.m.

Tues., Feb. 21	Anthony Cirotto
Wed., Feb. 22	Ash Wednesday
8:00 A.M.	Christopher Boutilier
9:15 A.M.	Kindergarten – Grade 2 Service
10:30 A.M.	Grades 3 – 8 Mass
7:00 P.M.	Parishioners of Holy Rosary
Thurs., Feb. 23	Joseph Bercik
Fri., Feb 24	Ivan Fleet
Sat. Feb. 25	Pat Ivanco

You have heard that it was said
You shall love your neighbor as yourself
and hate your enemy
BUT I SAY TO YOU

LOVE YOUR ENEMIES

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO PERSECUTE YOU

that you may be
CHILDREN
of your
HEAVENLY FATHER

so be perfect just as your
Heavenly Father is perfect

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ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND

The use of ashes, to represent mourning, repentance, and recognition of our frail mortality, has a long history in religious practice, with numerous references to this in Old Testament stories. In the early centuries of the Church, public penitents, dressed in sackcloth and covered with ashes, began the long Lenten period of prayer and fasting to atone for serious sin. By the Middle Ages, Lent began to be seen as a necessary time for all God's people to prepare well for Easter by penitence, and it became standard practice to impose ashes on the first day of the season. When we begin the holy season of Lent in preparation for Easter, we must remember the significance of the ashes we have received: We mourn and do penance for our sins. We again convert our hearts to the Lord, who suffered, died, and rose for our salvation. We renew the promises made at our baptism, when we died to an old life and rose to a new life with Christ. Finally, mindful that the kingdom of this world passes away, we strive to live the kingdom of God now and look forward to its fulfillment in heaven. **Ashes will be distributed to all in attendance at Masses this Wednesday, at 8:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M.** In addition, the community of Holy Rosary School will gather in the church for prayer and the reception of the ashes: at 9:15 A.M. for Kindergarten – Grade 2 (without Mass), and at 10:30 A.M. for Grades 3 – 8 (with Mass).



THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross, a traditional devotion of Lent, are on **Fridays**, starting this Friday, February 24th, and continuing throughout Lent to Good Friday. There will be **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 6:00 to 7:00 P.M.**, with **Stations at 7:00 P.M.**, concluding with Benediction. The Holy Hour of Adoration will be for the intention of the continued growth and spiritual renewal of our parish. The Stations will be led by a different parish group/ministry each week, with a variety of meditations used over the weeks.

REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week. The Gospel for the First Sunday of Lent is:

Matthew 4.1-11

OUR GIFTS TO GOD February 12th Collection

Sunday Envelopes	Sunday Loose	Pre-Authorized Debit	Church Maintenance
\$ 4,071	\$ 355	\$ 1,520	\$ 662

We thank you for your continued spiritual and financial support of Holy Rosary Parish. **The parish's Finance Council met on Thursday of this past week**, to review 2022's Financial Statements and prepare for the Report to the parish, which will be made on the weekend of March 18th/19th.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Feb. 20	Rev. James Link, C.R.
Tues. Feb. 21	Rev. David Mowat, C. R.
Wed. Feb. 22	Ash Wednesday
Thurs. Feb. 23	Rev Harry Reitzel, C.R.
Fri. Feb. 24	Rev. Raymond Reitzel, C.R.
Sat. Feb. 25	Rev. Florian Stasinski, C.R.



HOLY ROSARY PARISH PANCAKE BREAKFAST OR DINNER

Tuesday, February 21st, 2023
8:30 a.m.; or 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The Knights of Columbus invite all to join on Shrove Tuesday for pancakes and ham. A free will offering will go to worthy causes. After a three-year absence, it will be wonderful to restore having this family social opportunity just prior to the start of Lent. For further information, contact Vic Lefebvre (905-330-3545) or Joe Milton (905-632-5646).



THE WORD AMONG US

Again for this Lent, beautiful reflection booklets are available for free on the entranceway table. These contain the Scripture Readings for every day in Lent, with helpful meditations, and additional resources to enable you to enter deeply into the spirit of this holy time. Feel welcome to take additional booklets for family and friends. *"But Jesus answered the devil, 'It is written, "Man does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."'"* (Matthew 4:4)

LENTEN REFLECTIONS ON OUR WEBSITE

With the wonderful assistance once more of Patrick O'Hara, we are pleased to post on our website all Lenten Weekday Mass Readings and Homilies, for aids in reflection, especially for those who cannot make it to Morning Mass. They are available each day at 9:30 A.M., on demand, starting Ash Wednesday.

PARISH GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Although grief is a natural response to loss; it may not feel natural at all. In fact, grief can take us to deep and scary places and questions. We can lighten our grief by understanding the many facets of loss through learning and sharing with others.

We invite you to join our **brand-new monthly grief support group**. We are planning to meet one afternoon a month to share, learn, and walk alongside others to ease the pain of loss and grief.

For more information and to sign up, please contact Heidi Cowie 905-746-0766, heidicowie55@gmail.com.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

An annual ecumenical global service of prayer, co-ordinated by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada. This year's service was prepared by the women of Taiwan, on the theme, "I have heard about your faith." **At East Plains United Church, just down the street from us, on Friday, March 3rd, 2023, at 1:30 P.M.** All are welcome!

COME AND SEE

Parish Centre, Monday, February 27th, 2023, 7:00 P.M. We will watch more of the presentation of Abbot Fr. Thomas Keating on the dynamic relationship of Lectio Divina to Centering Prayer. He is the founder of the Centering Prayer Movement and of Contemplative Outreach. **All are welcome!**

VOCATION THOUGHTS

"Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect." Do you feel called to help people get closer to God? If you think God is calling you to be a, priest, deacon, brother or sister or consecrated virgin, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com
<https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

SHARE LENT 2023

THEME: CREATE HOPE---STAND FOR THE LAND ---DEFENCE OF LAND AND TERRITORY

Around the world, many communities are mobilizing to defend their territories against threats posed by extractive industries and industrial agriculture. These people are often threatened, criminalized or even killed when they stand up to protect their lands, their livelihoods and their very existence. Development and Peace/Caritas Canada stands in solidarity with these peoples. With our partners, we support communities' efforts to protect their territories and biodiversity for present and future generations. Resources are starting to be provided during Lent to support this campaign, and prepare for the **Share Lent Collection, the weekend of March 25th/26th**. More information can be found at <https://devp.org/en/campaign/stand-for-the-land/>. And take a look at the long table in the church entranceway for support materials.



HOLY WEEK CHOIR AT HOLY ROSARY

This is a friendly invite to any parishioners who may be interested in joining our Parish Choir but aren't currently able to commit long-term, or would like to "try it out" and see if it's a fit!

We are currently looking for singers to join us for leading music at the Holy Week Masses and Services (Palm Sunday through Easter Sunday). Rehearsals started this past week, and are always on **Thursdays** in the Parish Centre from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., running until Holy Week. No prior musical experience necessary, just a love for singing. Any questions, please contact our Director of Music, Trevor Price, at trevor.c.price@gmail.com. Instrumentalists (e.g., flute, violin, guitar) are also welcome.

PASTORAL LETTERS FROM THE CANADIAN BISHOPS TO OUR INDIGENOUS BROTHERS AND SISTERS

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) has released a series of Pastoral Letters to affirm its ongoing commitment to renewing and strengthening relations with Indigenous Peoples at the national, regional, and local levels. You may find the letters at the CCCB website here: <https://www.cccb.ca/indigenous-peoples/that-we-may-walk-together-series-of-pastoral-letters-2023/>

Paper copies of one of the Letters, one which is addressed to all God's people in Canada, are on the long table in the entranceway.



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