

Holy Rosary Catholic Community

287 Plains Road East - Burlington, Ontario, L7T 2C7

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Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary,
Pray for us.

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Parish Office Hours

Tuesday - Thursday:
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

Our Lord's Day Liturgies

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
*June 28 to Sept. 6-Sunday mass 10 a.m.

Weekday Mass

Tuesday-Friday 7:45 a.m.

Confession

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Catholic Funeral Rites

Contact Holy Sepulchre Cemetery
905 522-7727 or visit their website at:
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New Parishioners

We welcome you. Please complete a
Registration Form in the book rack.

Contact us

Parish Office 905-634-7441
Fax 905-634-6264
Email: hrosary@cogeco.net
Website: www.holyrosaryburlington.com



Holy Rosary was formed out of portions of the Cathedral parish in Hamilton, St. John's, Burlington and St. Thomas, Waterdown. Father Bernard Harrigan was the first Pastor and the first Mass was celebrated on June 6, 1947 in the chapel of Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Holy Rosary School was built in 1951. Under the leadership of Father Blake Ryan (1953-1964) a new Church and rectory were built. The 400 seat church was dedicated on May 1, 1955. In 1987, during the pastorate of Father Anthony Ciavarro, the church was redesigned with a 180 degree rotation. Beautiful stained glass, statuary, and sculpture adorn the renewed space. Other pastors who served the parish were: Msgr. Bernard Harrigan, Father Blake Ryan, Father Harold Smith, Father Carlo Bianchi, Father Anthony Ciavarro, Father Ron Cote, Father Frank Trzupsek, Msgr. Murray Kroetsch and the present pastor, Msgr. Edward House. Today there are over 600 registered families.

Welcome to Holy Rosary Catholic Community. We hope you enjoyed your Lord's Day Worship. May God bless you abundantly!



MASSES THIS WEEK

(7:45 a.m. unless otherwise noted)

Tuesday, Jan. 19	Glenn Cameron
Wednesday Jan. 20	NO MASS TODAY
Thurs., Jan. 21	NO MASS TODAY
Friday, Jan. 22	Maria Lista
Saturday, Jan. 23 at 5:00 p.m.	Paul Walsh Ludmilla Luckevich Deceased members of the Rodricks Family

Please note:

Msgr. House is away January 10th to 21st. **Fr. Pierre Caouette will celebrate morning mass on Tuesday and Friday this week.** Please welcome **Father Ed Hampson** who celebrates mass with us today.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Although our tradition carries a long memory of marriage as a sacrament, it may surprise you to learn that for nearly eleven centuries, there was no single wedding ceremony approved for use in the Church. While we have evidence of priests blessing marriages as early as the second century, in the early period church leaders relied on civil authorities to manage marriage for everyone in society. In most cases, society yielded its authority to sanction marriage to the male heads of households. From ancient times, marriage had been a family affair, managed by the father of the family, who acted as priest and guardian of family tradition. Each head wanted to keep the family gods alive, and so he would arrange for brides for his sons, paying a "bride price" as compensation for the loss of a skilled household worker. As creepy as that sounds, it was a step up from the kidnapping practice of earlier years. Even after the kidnapping raids stopped, the customs remained. Every wedding contained the ritualized kidnapping of the bride, the husband abducting his bride from the festivities, carrying her over the threshold to prevent her father's gods from following her into her new religion. There, he fed her a piece of "sacred cake," initiating her into a new way of life. It's fascinating to see how customs endure, long after we have completely rejected the values and attitudes they originally expressed! Rev. James Field Copyright © J.S. Paluch Co.

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

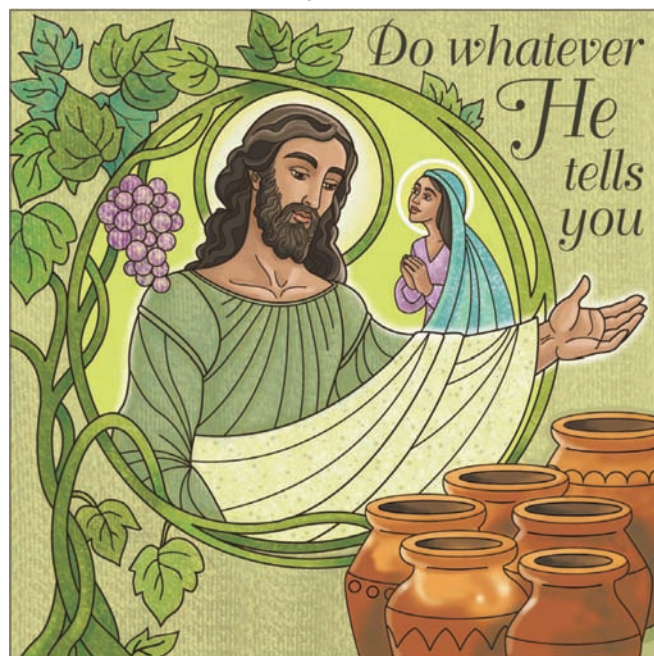
We thank you for your continued spiritual and financial support of Holy Rosary Parish.

January 10th, 2016 Collection

Sunday Envelopes	Loose Collection	Pre-Authorized Debit
\$4,074.	\$335.	\$1,593.

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 17th, 2016



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SURPRISES

Life is full of surprises, some pleasant, some not. The scriptures are filled with stories of God's surprises cropping up when they are least expected: younger children obtaining the inheritance; the lowliest being seated highest up; an itinerant preacher, killed like a criminal, exalted to eternal, heavenly glory. Anybody who has planned a wedding or similar event knows that they are filled with opportunities for surprises. For the bridegroom in today's Gospel story, who has no direct contact with Jesus, the pleasant surprise came because somebody else paid attention and had faith in Jesus. We may think that the point of today's familiar story of the wedding at Cana is that when we have faith in Jesus, our lives will be pleasantly changed. A Christian, however, needs to have a broader perspective and realize that to have faith in Christ means that somebody's life—not necessarily our own—will be surprised for the better. Copyright © JSPaluchCo

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Jan. 18	Rev. Ian Duffy
Tues. Jan. 19	Rev. Joseph Durkacz
Wed. Jan. 20	Sisters Adorers of the Precious Blood
Thurs. Jan. 21	Rev. Janusz Roginski, S.A.C.
Fri. Jan. 22	Rev. Andrew Lopatniuk
Sat. Jan. 23	Rev. Francis Trzupke

REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon the next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week! The Gospel for the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is: **Luke 1.1-4; 4.14-21**

UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS / EVENTS

Tuesday

1:00 pm – Seniors Bridge – Parish Centre
7:00 pm – CWL General Meeting – Parish Centre
7:00 pm – St. Vincent de Paul Meeting–Heritage rm

Wednesday

7:00 pm – Quest Small Group Bible study – Library

Thursday

1 – 4 pm – Craft Club – Parish Centre
7:30 pm – Choir Practice – Parish Centre

QUEST SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY

We meet Wednesdays in the Parish Centre Library. Anyone is welcome to drop in any Wednesday. Call Joe or Hilda for more information, 289-337-0602.

ATTENTION PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN GRADE 2 IN PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SCHOOL

If your child is in Grade 2 and is not attending Holy Rosary School, there will be a parish preparation program for First Reconciliation and First Communion beginning in February. A meeting for parents will be held on **Wednesday, January 27th @ 7:00 p.m.** in the Parish Centre. For further information, please contact Mary Edmondstone at 905-734-7441.

COMMUNION AT HOME

If you have been in hospital and are facing a lengthy recovery at home, we would be pleased to bring the Eucharist to you in your home. Please contact Mary Edmondstone in the parish office to arrange this. Call 905-634-7441.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE 2016 MEMBERSHIPS

If you haven't already joined or renewed your CWL membership for 2016, you can pick up an envelope and form in the bookstand in the Narthex. Cheques made payable to Holy Rosary CWL (\$25) or cash can be placed in the envelope provided and dropped in the collection on the weekend. If you have any questions regarding the Catholic Women's League or membership, contact Organization Chair, Theresa Milton at 905-632-5646. Thank you.

VOCATIONS

Pray to know how God wants to use your talents and abilities. Could it be He is calling you to consider priesthood or religious life? If you feel God's call to the priesthood or consecrated life, visit: www.HamiltonVocations.com

Important Notice

PARISH SPONSORSHIP OF A REFUGEE FAMILY

The Pastoral Advisory Council passed a motion at its January meeting to move ahead on sponsorship of a refugee family from Syria. The sponsorship program works in conjunction with the Canadian government to provide financial support for the family's first year in Canada as well as ongoing social and emotional support by the parish community.

There will be an information meeting for all who would like to be involved in sponsoring a family on **Tuesday, January 26th at 7 p.m.** in the Parish Centre. If you cannot make this meeting but are interested, please call Mary Edmondstone at 905-634-7441. Full details of the sponsorship process and the financial commitment for our parish will be discussed. After the meeting, we are asking interested people to submit their names to become members of the Parish Sponsorship Committee. We will need people who can fundraise; who have knowledge of community agencies; who can locate housing and household goods; and especially people who will be available to help the family on a daily basis when they first arrive.

HOLY ROSARY KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS VALENTINE DINNER & DANCE—Sat. Feb. 6th



Join us for an evening of dining, dancing & friendship. **Doors open 6:15 pm, Dinner 7:00 pm SHARP!** Catered dinner & dancing with DJ Rockin' Robin. Singles, couples, groups welcomed. Cash bar, draw prizes. Call Susan for more information 905-521-9445.

BURLINGTON KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ARE SWINGING WITH THE BIG BANDS

BIG BAND CONCERT – Sun. Jan. 31 from 2:00 to 4:30 p.m. at the Burlington Performing Arts Centre. The Burlington Knights of Columbus, in support of their many activities, are proud to sponsor the **Toronto All-Star Big Band**. Come and enjoy a terrific afternoon of Swing with your friends. You can reserve your "GIFT OF SWING" by calling the box office at 905-681-6000 or online at: www.burlingtonpac.ca The ticket price is only \$38.50 plus additional taxes and fees.

GOSPEL OF LUKE: STUDY SERIES

A seven part workshop series for Young Adults and Adults. First Session: *"The Presence of Joy in the Gospel of Luke"*

Tuesday, January 26th from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at St. Pius X Parish, Brantford. Facilitated by Dr. Josephine Lombardi. To register for these sessions or for more info. call Monica Verin 905-528-7988 ext. 2238 or email: mverin@hamiltondiocese.com

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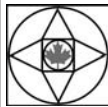
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