

# 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.

# Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 29, 2023

Your words, Lord,  
are Spirit and life.



**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., Jan. 31	Zeno Karcz
Wed., Feb. 1	Jorge de Sousa
Thurs., Feb. 2	<b>Feast of the Presentation of the Lord Jesus in the Temple</b> John Rosart
Fri., Feb 3	<b>Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr</b> Matilda Estrela
Sat. Feb. 4	Maria Helena Moniz

## WELCOME, FATHER MARK WENDLING!

We are pleased to have with us, this weekend, native son of Holy Rosary Parish, Father Mark Wendling. Father Mark, son of Paul and Sherry Wendling, is a priest of the Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity, stationed in Detroit. We remain so grateful to him for his wonderful Lenten mini-Mission, conducted last April to kick off our parish's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations; and we are glad to welcome him back to celebrate Masses with us this weekend while Monsignor Martin is away.

## FATHER MIKE DOWNEY

As of Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup>, Father Mike has now been transferred to his permanent home in Long-Term Care. This puts him within a few minutes' drive of his relatives in Cambridge and Kitchener, making things a lot easier for them. You can write him, if desired, at:

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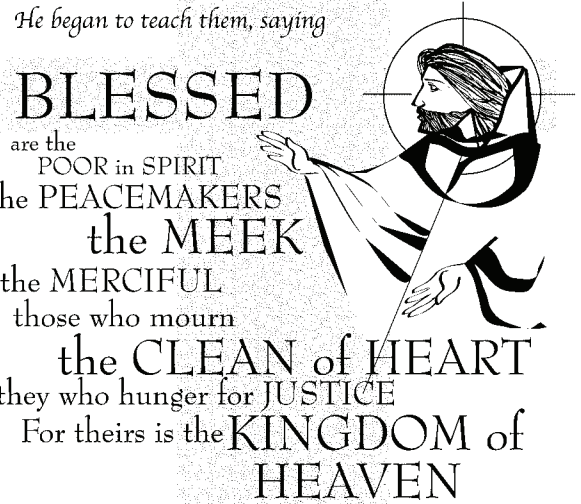
For additional information or contact, it will be wiser to touch base with Rick and Marg Downey, Father Mike's brother and sister-in-law, who can be reached at 519-653-3372, or at [margaretdowney@bell.net](mailto:margaretdowney@bell.net).

Please continue to keep Father Mike in your prayers, that he may be filled with the Lord's peace in heart and mind.

## INCOME TAX RECEIPTS FOR 2022

Your Income Tax receipts for 2022 donations are still available, arranged in alphabetical order in the Parish Centre. Those receipts which have not been picked up by February 6th will be sent by regular mail later that week.

Meanwhile, remaining unclaimed boxes of 2023 Sunday envelopes are now available in the Parish Rectory Office during regular business hours.



## REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon the next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week. The Gospel for the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time is:

**Matthew 5.13-16**

## OUR GIFTS TO GOD January 22nd Collection

Sunday Envelopes	Sunday Loose	Pre-Authorized Debit	Church Maintenance
\$ 4,214	\$ 295	\$ 1,560	\$ 210

We thank you for your continued spiritual and financial support of Holy Rosary Parish. Our Annual Report to the Diocese has now been submitted. Your generosity has made 2022 another successful year. The Report to the parish will be made in March, as is customary.

## DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Jan. 30	Rev. William Trusz
Tues. Jan. 31	Rev. David Reitzel
Wed. Feb. 1	Hospitaller Order of St. John of God (O.H.)
Thurs. Feb. 2	<b>The Presentation of the Lord-World Day for Consecrated Life</b>
Fri. Feb. 3	Rev. Ross Campbell
Sat. Feb. 4	Rev. Peter Robinson



## THANK YOU, AND FAREWELL

With gratitude and sadness, we bid farewell this week to **Mrs. Rosanna LoPresti**, who has served so effectively and lovingly as the Principal of Holy Rosary Catholic Elementary School since September, 2019.

Rosanna has done so much to strengthen the excellent relationship the parish has with the school, especially considering her skillful steering of the school community through the very challenging times of the pandemic shutdowns and restrictions. Her positive, ever-supportive spirit is deeply appreciated, and will be very much missed.

As of Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, Rosanna will become the Principal of Saint Luke's School in Oakville. We shall welcome our new Principal, Mr. Christopher Caporicci, who comes to us from Ascension School in East Burlington.

## FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

### Candlemas Day, Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>

The 40<sup>th</sup> day after Christmas marks the celebration of the occasion when Mary and Joseph brought the child Jesus to the Temple to present him as an offering to God, in accordance with ancient Jewish tradition. The old prophet, Simeon, saw in this child the fulfillment of the Messianic longing of the people of Israel, and praised God for the blessing. In part because of Simeon's declaration that this child would be "the light of revelation to the nations", a tradition arose to celebrate this day as a mid-winter Feast of Light, with candles blessed and carried in processions. We are blessing Candlemas Day candles this **Thursday at the 8:00 A.M. Mass**, and making them available in the entranceway, through next weekend, for your use at home. There are 2 candles per box; suggested donation is \$5.00.

### FEAST OF ST. BLAISE, Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>

Saint Blaise was a bishop in Armenia during the fourth century. He is said to have healed a boy who nearly died because of a fishbone stuck in his throat. Since the 8th century, St. Blaise has been venerated as the patron of those who suffer from diseases of the throat. The blessing of throats is celebrated by touching the throat of each person with two candles joined together in the form of a cross as we pray in a special way for protection from afflictions of the throat and other illnesses. The **Blessing of Throats** will be conferred, on all who wish to receive this blessing, at the end of the **8:00 A.M. Mass this Friday**.



## BAPTISMS – WELCOME!

We welcome **Kaylee Lynn Levesque**. In the celebration of the Sacrament last Sunday, she received new life in Christ. We pray that, with the support of family and friends, she will grow to full stature in Christ.

## "CARE NOTES"

Check out the informative and helpful pamphlets on the table in the entranceway. They speak to various topics in personal well-being. These *Care Notes* are free for the taking! Those who are struggling, especially with grieving, have a most valuable resource here at Holy Rosary in the person of **Heidi Cowie**, a professional retired Social Worker who is volunteering as our parish bereavement minister. She is available for confidential consultation, by contacting her at [heidicowie55@gmail.com](mailto:heidicowie55@gmail.com). Stay tuned for information about a parish [grief support](#) group, now in the planning stages.

## OUR SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY THANKS YOU!



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul wishes to express heartfelt appreciation to the parishioners for your generosity this past Christmas. Imagine the relieved faces and gratitude of those who might otherwise have felt abandoned. The needs of the poor are real, and inflation is having an impact. Your donations make a difference in their lives. On behalf of the needy – thank you!

For those of you who find online donations more convenient, it is possible to use the "Canada Helps" link on the Parish website. Tax receipts are issued. SSVP truly appreciates all your kind contributions.

## COME AND SEE

**Parish Centre, Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, 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!**

## BIBLE SUNDAY 2023 FOLLOW-UP



The Third Sunday of Ordinary Time marked the celebration of Word of God/Bible Sunday in the Diocese of Hamilton. Our celebration of Bible Sunday is a call to listen to how #TheBibleSpeaks in our hearts and within our communities of faith. The Pastoral Offices of the Diocese of Hamilton continue to have available a wide variety of resources for youth and adults in celebration of Bible Sunday 2023. Visit <https://hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks/> for more information.

We made Bibles available for sale last weekend, and they sold out!! We shall order more. Let the rectory office know if you are interested in obtaining one. Just \$ 20.00 per Bible (New Revised Standard Version). Bible Sunday Prayer Cards continue to be available in the entranceway, with a beautiful prayer that we might continue to grow to appreciate, and show in our actions, the Word of the Living God.



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