

# 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 to Thursday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Friday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.  
Office closed - Sat. / Sun. / Mon.

## **Masses on the Lord's Day**

Saturday 5 p.m. | Sunday 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

## **Weekday Mass**

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

## **Confessions**

Saturday 3:45 - 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.

# Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

January 12, 2025

Give comfort to my people,  
says your God!



## REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week.  
The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time is:  
**John 2.1-12**

### OUR GIFTS TO GOD December 29<sup>th</sup> Collection

Sunday Envelopes	Sunday Loose	Pre-Authorized Debit	Christmas Env/Loose
\$ 2,672	\$ 435	\$ 1,622	\$ 2,560

### January 1<sup>st</sup> Collection

New Year's	New Year's Loose	Christmas Env/Loose
\$ 2,647	\$ 145	460

### January 5<sup>th</sup> Collection

Sunday Envelopes	Sunday Loose	Pre-Authorized Debit	New Year's
\$ 3,209	\$ 400	\$ 1,622	\$ 115

We thank you for your continued spiritual and financial support of Holy Rosary Parish. Your generosity has made 2024 another successful year.

### DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Jan. 13	Rev. Allen Varlaki
Tues. Jan. 14	Rev. Rajesh Dsouza, O.C.D.
Wed. Jan. 15	Sisters of St. John the Baptist, C.S.J.B.
Thurs. Jan. 16	Rev. Jerzy Tomon
Fri. Jan. 17	Rev. Peter Tuyen Nguyen
Sat. Jan. 18	Rev. Pierre Luc, S.J.
	<b>Prayer for Christian Unity 18-25</b>

THE CHRISTMAS SEASON ENDS WITH THE FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD. ORDINARY TIME BEGINS ON MONDAY.

Welcome to Holy Rosary Catholic Community. We hope the Lord's Day worship spiritually enriches you.



### Mass Intentions

(8:00 a.m. unless otherwise noted)

Join us in praying for the Rosary for Vocations before Mass.

The rosary starts at 7:30 a.m.

Tues., Jan. 14	†Jodie Golini
Wed., Jan. 15	Marielle Babineau
Thurs., Jan. 16	†Edna Forde
Fri., Jan. 17	†Margaret Gavin
Sat., Jan 18 5:00 p.m.	Intentions of Paola Soto †Bruce Pritchard †Angelo Crosta

### ADJUSTMENT TO OFFICE HOURS IN THE WEEK OF JANUARY 20-24, 2025

On January 23, 2025, Burlington Hydro will be working on the hydro service near the church and the power to the church and rectory will be turned off between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. This will require a change in our office hours. **On Monday January 20, 2025 the parish office will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., but the office will be closed on Thursday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025**

### 2025 CHURCH ENVELOPES

Church envelopes for 2025 **are still available for pickup** in the main entrance. These will be removed at the end of January, so please pick them up as soon as possible if you have not already done so.

If you requested envelopes using the sign up sheet, a set will be prepared for you and will be available the following weekend.

### ADULT FUNERAL SERVERS TRAINING

All existing funeral servers and those who wish to serve at funerals are invited to a parish training session on Saturday, January 25, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in the Church.

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS TO THE SICK TRAINING

This training session is for those who were NOT at the Fall workshop for Eucharistic Ministers and Ministers of Communion to the Sick. **It is for anyone who brings communion to the sick from any of the masses here.** There are some very important changes coming for the way in which pyxes are prepared and distributed, so it is vital that anyone who currently brings communion attend this training. This training will take place on Saturday, January 18, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Centre.

### ONCE AGAIN, A HEARTFELT THANK YOU!

On behalf of all, I wish to express abundant thanks to all the many people who helped make our Christmas Day Liturgies so prayerful and beautiful. Thanks to our decoration team, under the direction of Janet James for decorating the Church so festively. Thanks also to those who organized the Children's Pageant at the Christmas Eve 5:00 Mass and the children who participated. Thanks to our liturgical

ministers and to our musicians, Vicky Chen and Trevor Price and to the fabulous cantors and choirs who did a tremendous job, helping to make these liturgies a worthy act of praise to God for the gift of His Son.

On behalf of myself and our staff, I wish to also express joyful thanks for your generosity over the Christmas season. Thanks to all those who sent us cards and gifts of various kinds (which we will be enjoying for some time to come!) We are humbled by the goodness and generosity of many of our parishioners! May God bless you and your families in the coming year.

### **QUEST SCRIPTURE STUDY GROUP**

.....has resumed! Meets every Wednesday at 7:00 P.M. in the Parish Centre Library, finishing about 8:15 P.M. Weekly reflection and discussion on the Scripture Readings for the upcoming Sunday. Anyone is welcome to participate! Study book provided.

### **INVITATION TO COMMUNAL SPIRITUAL GROWTH**

This monthly meeting is open to anyone interested in growing into the mystery of God through mutual sharing of our encounter of God in daily life. This may help us discern and serve others better in God's vineyard. Part of our meeting may be topic-oriented. Our next meeting is on **Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M.** in the Parish Centre. Contact **Vicky** for more info – [siuming.chen@gmail.com](mailto:siuming.chen@gmail.com)

### **TORONTO ALL-STAR BIG BAND CONCERT BENEFITING CARPENTER HOSPICE, BURLINGTON FOOD BANK, KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHARITABLE WORKS**

Sunday, January 26, 2025 2:00 to 4:30 PM at the Burlington Performing Arts Centre. Step back to an era when "Swing" reigned supreme in Burlington. Come join us and experience an evening of great swing music. This is an ideal Christmas Gift for that person who has everything.

**The price per ticket is only \$48.00.** You can go on-line to reserve your seat by calling the box office at 905-681-6000 or by going to their website at [Upcoming Events - The Burlington Performing Arts Centre](#)

### **GOOD COMMUNICATION IS GOOD SERVICE**

#### **A Message from the Pastor**

It will help me and my staff if emails are directed to the person who can best address your issue. The parish secretary best handles some things, others by our Youth Minister and others should be directed to the pastor.

The email to use to get the quickest response from me is [frdavewilhelm@outlook.com](mailto:frdavewilhelm@outlook.com). For reasons of confidentiality and to speed up the response, please do not send requests for appointments with me through the parish email address or the parish secretary. It makes extra work for our parish secretary and she is not in the office on weekends or on Monday.

Phone messages for me can be left in my mailbox (because I have ready access to the mailbox). Follow the prompts to

leave a message where it needs to be left: to me, Divine, our office assistant or Cristian, our Youth Minister. For medical emergencies, please use the emergency contact number on the front of the bulletin. If your call is not answered immediately, please leave a message and I will get back to you as soon as possible, usually within 15 minutes. **Please do not use this number for ordinary pastoral inquiries.** Following these procedures will ensure your enquiries are handled as quickly as possible.

### **THE COLD AND FLU SEASON IS UPON US**

We are into the cold and flu season and we want to remind you to be considerate of others. If you are not feeling well and have symptoms of the cold or flu, please stay home, give yourself a chance to get well and return as soon as you are feeling better.

It is acceptable to wear a mask should you choose to do so and wish to be protected from cold or flu. If you are wearing a mask we respectfully ask that it be removed before receiving the host. It can be reapplied after you consume the host.

### **THE IMPORTANCE OF REGISTERING IN THE PARISH**

#### **Please Help us Update our Records!**

Officially registering in the parish continues to be an important component of establishing or maintaining a formal connection with the parish. Even if you don't attend regularly, please register. **This is particularly important if you attend this parish but reside outside of our parish boundaries, which are: Northern Boundary: Old Plains Rd. East; Eastern Boundary: West Side of Maple Avenue; Southern Boundary Northshore Blvd and Lakeshore Rd.; Western Boundary: End of Plains Rd. W. Registration is essential if you attend here and live outside the parish boundaries, because it establishes a formal connection with this parish community.**

**We highly encourage all persons who regularly attend Holy Rosary Parish to fill out a registration form so that our records and parish census is up to date.** All people who live in the household should be included on the registration form. Registration helps us to determine where sacraments such as baptism, first communion, confirmation and marriage are celebrated. Current registration is important to determine the proper parish for the celebration of funerals and is necessary for anyone who requests a pastoral reference.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Registration forms are available in the entrance to the church and can be placed in the collection basket when filled out or handed to the priest.

#### **PARISH FINANCE ADVISORY COUNCIL**

We have reformed the Parish Finance Advisory Council and are bringing on some new members to replace those whose terms have been fulfilled. We are looking for additional members, specifically for people who have construction or building maintenance knowledge and someone who is familiar with human resources and/or volunteer management. If you have skills in these areas and may be interested in serving on the Council, please contact the pastor using the information on the front of the bulletin.

The Finance Advisory Council meets five times per year.

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