

## Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord - April 17, 2022



**FOCUS:** The Risen Christ seeks to transform and redeem our lives. The Resurrection of the Lord is the highest of all feasts – the day in which we celebrate the truth that Jesus conquers and redeems every darkness of life, even death itself. Truly this is a day of rejoicing! For even when events are unclear to us – when we do not understand what we see before us, like those who saw the empty tomb – we can be confident in the words and promises of God.

*A Heartfelt Thanks and Easter Blessings to all!*

- HOLY SATURDAY:** 11:15 am: *Divine Mercy Novena*  
April 16 8:00 pm: Easter Vigil Mass - For All Living & Deceased of Our Parish and Blessings for Fergus & Marion Feeny – Req. by the Bob & Marilynne
- EASTER SUNDAY:** 9:00 am: + Anna Marie Dinh & + Joseph Nguyen – Req. by the Nguyen Family  
April 17 11:00 am: All Souls in Purgatory – Req. by Marilou Reiko & Alex  
(THERE IS NO 7 PM MASS ON EASTER SUNDAY)
- MONDAY, April 18** NO MASS
- TUESDAY, Apr. 19** 9:00 am: + Larry Nolan – Req. by Tim & Nora  
6:30 pm: *St. Luke School First Holy Communion Rehearsal*
- WEDNESDAY, Apr. 20** 9:00 am: Blessings for Stephen Kieswetter  
– Req. by Harry & Elizabeth Blinkhorn  
6:30 pm: *St. Matthew School First Holy Communion Rehearsal*
- THURSDAY, Apr. 21** 6:00 pm: HOLY HOUR  
7:00 pm: + Carmela Chavarria – Req. by the Ruiz Family
- FRIDAY, Apr. 22** 7:00 pm: + John DeMelo – Req. by Rosa Barbosa
- SATURDAY, Apr. 23** 9:00 am: + Blessings for John Hehn – Req. by Saturday Morning Rosary Group  
1:00 pm: *First Holy Communion – St. Luke School*  
3:00 pm: *First Holy Communion – St. Matthew School*
- DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter**
- SATURDAY, Apr. 23** 5:00 pm: + Catherine Hunt – Req. by Len & Anne Strauss  
**SUNDAY, Apr. 24** 9:00 am: + Francis & Maria Nguyen – Req. by the Nguyen Family  
11:00 am: + Alice Margaret MacIntosh – Req. by Marie & Cathy Seitz  
3:00 pm: *Divine Mercy Holy Hour / Novena*  
7:00 pm: In Thanksgiving – Req. by Judy & Brian
- MONDAY, April 25** NO MASS  
**TUESDAY, April 26** 9:00 am: + Jose Cabral – Req. by the Brito Family  
6:30 pm: *St. Agnes School First Holy Communion Rehearsal*
- WEDNESDAY, April 27** 9:00 am + Raymond Hartman – Req. by Jim & Janice Schill Family  
**THURSDAY, April 28** 6:00 pm HOLY HOUR  
7.00 pm + Raymond & Patricia Laurette – Req. by Karen Clark
- FRIDAY, April 29** 7:00 pm + Carmen de Ruiz – Req. by the Ruiz Family  
**SATURDAY, April 30** 9:00 am Blessings for Fr. Aleks – Req. by the Saturday Morning Rosary Group  
1:00 pm *First Holy Communion – St. Agnes School*



## BISHOP OF HAMILTON

### EASTER MESSAGE 2022

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

We will soon celebrate Easter, the high point of our liturgical year. As Spring breaks in around us, we marvel at the almost magical appearance of new life pushing up through the ground and out of the branches in the trees. The birds sing as they build nests and prepare to lay eggs and welcome new life!

Throughout the season of Lent we were horrified by the shocking death and destruction of the war in Ukraine. The remarkable courage of the Ukrainian leader, the brave soldiers, and the committed citizens have given us heart and hope that they might actually succeed in saving their homeland.

The Delegation of Indigenous First Nations, Inuit, and Metis representatives to The Vatican to meet with Pope Francis also lifted our hearts and gave us fresh hope that a new relationship is possible. The possibility of a Papal visit to the Indigenous peoples at Lac Ste. Anne, Alberta, provides us more opportunity for such hope.

We celebrate our greatest hope at Easter – the Resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. The Resurrection is for us an eternal wellspring of hope. No matter how dark, how desperate, how impossible a situation we find ourselves in – if we look to the Lord who has conquered even death, there is always reason for hope.

Easter reminds us that even death does not have the final say. *"Where He has gone, we hope to follow!"* As I get older, I know more and more people who have made that journey. I think of them and pray for them especially during the Easter season.

I pray for you sisters and brothers in Christ, for you our Parish Priests, in gratitude for your faithful, creative, and generous service especially during these past two difficult years; for the Parish Secretaries, Pastoral Workers, and volunteers who make our Parishes places of hope and joy; and for all those who long for our prayers – that they too may experience the healing love of the Lord.

Happy Easter, my friends. Pray for Pope Francis – he always asks us to do so. And pray for me!

Sincerely in the Risen Christ,

*+ Douglas Crosby*, OMI  
(Most Rev.) Douglas Crosby, OMI  
Bishop of Hamilton.

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