

## MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY: (NO MASS)

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9 am Tuesday: All Living  
& Deceased of St. Agnes Parish

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9 am Wednesday: + Miljia & Katharina &  
Helmut Lautenbach  
- By the Lamers Family

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6 pm Holy Hour

7 pm Thursday: Pallottine Priests &  
Seminarians

- By Friends of the Pallottines

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7 pm Friday: Blessings for Jim & Anne Marie  
Sehl

- By Rachel Trump

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9 am Saturday: MASS CANCELLED  
(Due to 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Celebrations)

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

5 pm Saturday: †Marcy Kuntz

- By Rachel Trump

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9 am Sunday: For All Souls in Need

- By the Nguyen Family

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11 am Sunday: + Bento Neto

- By Maria Neto

3:00 pm Divine Mercy Holy Hour

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7 pm Sunday: Blessings for Judy Kerr &  
Family - By the Kennedy Family

## ADDITIONAL LITURGIES THIS WEEK

Thurs. 9:45 am: St. Agnes School  
Easter Mass – in the Church

12:45 pm: St. Matthew School  
Easter Mass - in the School

Fri. 10 am: St. Luke School  
Easter Mass - in the Church

## LAST WEEK'S OFFERING

March 24, 2024	
Baskets:	4,584.65
Renovation Fund	260.00
Share Lent	920.00
Easter	640.00
Pallottine Missions	257.00
Library Donation	51.70



## Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord March 31, 2024 – Year B



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!*



**EASTER SEASON** BEGINS ON EASTER SUNDAY AND ENDS

WITH EVENING PRAYER ON PENTECOST SUNDAY.

IN THESE 50 DAYS LEADING UP TO PENTECOST, WE MEDITATE ON ALL THE ACCOUNTS OF PEOPLE WHO MET THE RISEN JESUS. WITH

MARY MAGDALENE, WE CAN RECOGNIZE THE VOICE OF THE RISEN JESUS WHEN HE CALLS OUR NAME. WITH ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE, WE CAN LIFT OUR EYES TO THE RISEN JESUS AND PRAY, “MY LORD AND MY GOD!” AND WHEN THE RISEN JESUS ASKS IF WE LOVE HIM, WE CAN ANSWER WITH ST. PETER: “YES, LORD, YOU KNOW WE LOVE YOU.”

AS WE AWAIT THE CELEBRATION OF PENTECOST, WE CAN OPEN OUR EYES AND OUR HEARTS TO THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, WHO BRINGS CHRIST’S LIFE TO THE WHOLE CHURCH AND HELPS US TO BREATHE WITH THE RISEN LIFE OF JESUS EVERY TIME WE OFFER OURSELVES TO HIM.

## PARISH NEWS



**R.C.I.A. (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)**

This Easter our parish community welcomes:

**Lisa Nowak, Heather Gawel & Jocelyn Breese,**  
through the Sacrament of Baptism, Holy Eucharist &  
Confirmation.

**We welcome the children of Jocelyn Breese:**

**Jordon** through the Sacrament of Baptism, Holy Eucharist &  
Confirmation

**Jillian** through the Sacraments of Baptism & Holy Eucharist

**Sophia, Olivia & Oaklyn** through the Sacrament of Baptism

**ON EASTER SUNDAY,** through the Sacrament of Baptism celebrated by  
Deacon Ed MacIntosh, we welcome **Korah Dale**



**NEXT SUNDAY, SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER IS DIVINE**

**MERCY SUNDAY:** Please join us at 3 pm for Exposition &  
Benediction with the singing of the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

## 2000 HAIL MARY'S DEVOTION TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

**MARY:** Please join us in praying the 2000 Hail Mary's Devotion to the Blessed Virgin on Saturday, May 11, 2024.

The day will begin at 7:30 am and we anticipate the devotion will finish by 7:30 pm. Join us for all or part of the day. For information please contact Marilynne at: [canadianrosarybrigade@gmail.com](mailto:canadianrosarybrigade@gmail.com)

## SCHOOL FIRST COMMUNION RETREATS

Tuesday, April 2: 9:45 am-2 pm - St. Luke School in the Church  
Wed., April 3: 9:45 am-2 pm - St. Matthew School in the Church  
Tues., April 9 9:45 am – 3 pm - St. Agnes School in the Church43

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DATES:

Saturday, April 6: 11 am: St. Luke School  
1 pm: St. Matthew School  
Saturday, Apr. 13: 11 am: St. Agnes School

**CONFIRMATION** will be celebrated on: Saturday, June 1

1 pm - St. Agnes, St. Luke & St. Matthew Schools  
with Bishop Douglas Crosby, as our celebrant.

## REGIONAL and DIOCESAN NEWS



## DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2024? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 26, 2024, at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm

(Space allows room for Anniversary couples only – those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is available on line at [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com) under Upcoming Events.

**MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH:** Easter provides us with a clear picture of how much God loves us as he sent his son to die on the Cross so we could have eternal life. Easter highlights the importance of forgiveness and our call as Catholics to forgive both ourselves and others.

When we marry, we gain a spouse and his or her family. It is essential that we agree to ensure that we, as a couple, have the most important connection and that we remain united as a family unit when stresses with extended family arise. This means coming to agreement with each other on items such as how to celebrate holidays and traditions, the raising of children and other areas that directly impact us as a couple, even when family wants to have input. Our families can provide wonderful support to our marriage, but we must remember that the essential relationship is between our spouse and ourselves. Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

**PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH:** Parents are the most influential people in their children's lives. Even in the teen years, when peers become so important, parents are still influencing their children in almost every way. As their role model, it is important to ask yourself if what your children are seeing and hearing from you is how you would like them to act and speak. Do you speak kindly to family, friends, and strangers? Do you limit the amount of time you engage on your phone and/or tablet/computer? Do you show them that you rely on God through prayer, attending Mass and talking about times God has helped you through? Your children are watching you to know how to act and behave, so look inward at how you act and speak and be sure you are the person you want your child to become.

## HOW TO RECITE THE



## DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

**1. Make the Sign of the Cross**

**2. Optional Opening Prayers:**

*You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Font of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us. (Repeat 3 times) O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of Mercy for us, I trust in You*

**3. Our Father**

**4. Hail Mary**

**5. The Apostle's Creed**

**6. The Eternal Father**

*Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.*

**7. On the Ten Small Beads of Each Decade**

*For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.*

**8. Repeat for the remaining decades**

*Saying the “Eternal Father” (6) on the “Our Father” bead and then 10 “For the sake of His sorrowful Passion” (7) on the following “Hail Mary” beads.*

**9. Conclude with Holy God (Repeat three times)**

*Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.*

**10. Optional Closing Prayer**

*Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion - inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.*