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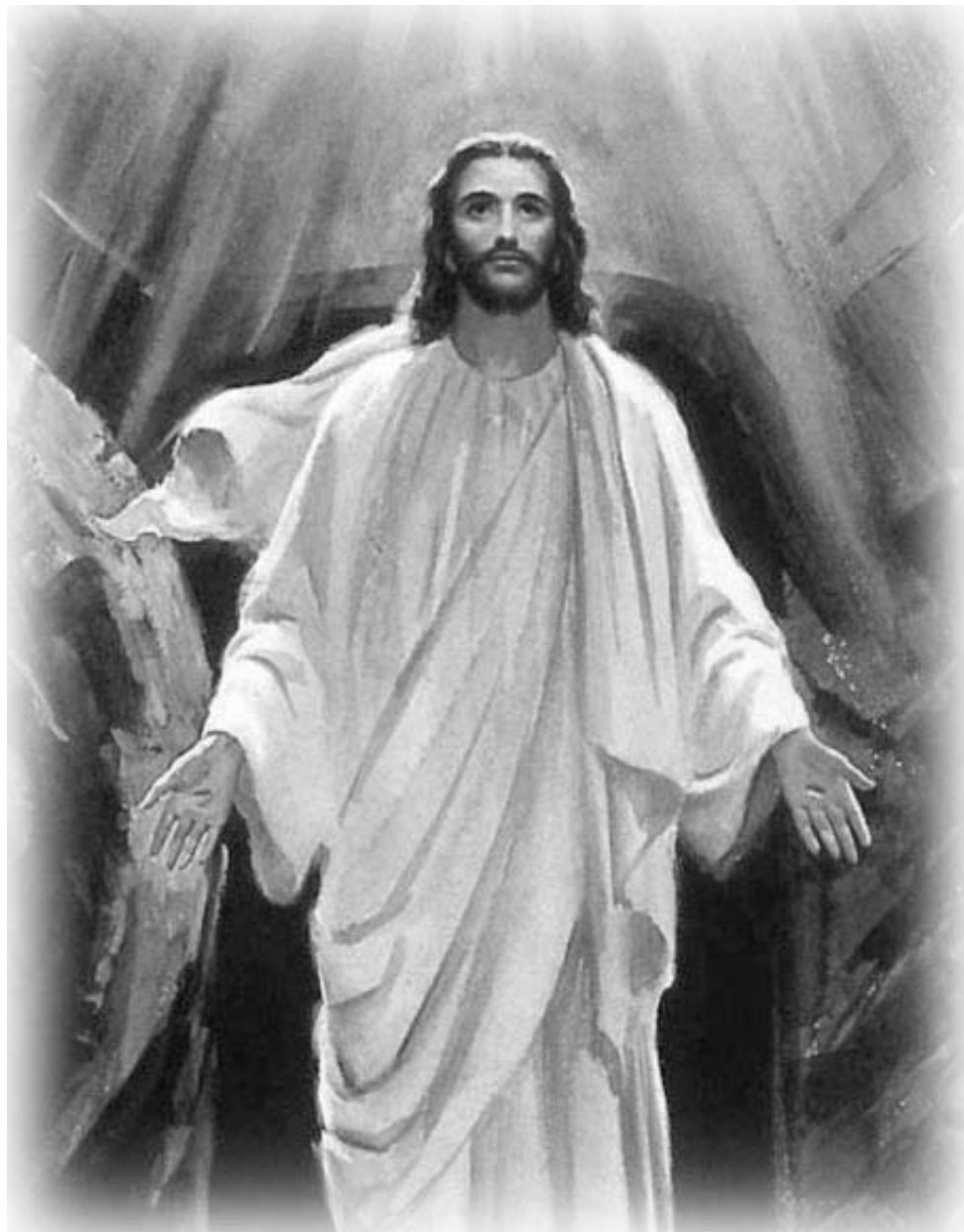
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Rejoice!  
For the Lord is truly risen!

## EASTER SUNDAY – THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



### TUESDAY, April 7<sup>th</sup>

7:30am + Thelma Quiambao  
+ Olga Murray  
+ James Murray  
All Souls

### WEDNESDAY, April 8<sup>th</sup>

7:30am + Remo Finoro  
8:00am to 9:00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
7:00pm + Peter Phung Tran  
+ Ryan Driscoll  
+ Riccardo Guardiero  
+ Robert Finoro  
+ Janet Figueirdo  
+ Giorgio Bova

### THURSDAY, April 9<sup>th</sup>

7:30am + Adelia Hurtado

### FRIDAY, April 10<sup>th</sup>

7:30am + Peter Ingram  
7:00pm HEALING MASS  
All Souls in Purgatory

### SATURDAY, April 11<sup>th</sup>

9:00am + Mary O'Kane  
5:00pm Living and Deceased Members of Mandolesi  
and Gianinni Families

### SUNDAY, April 12<sup>th</sup> – Divine Mercy Sunday

8:30am + Emilia Finoro  
10:15am + Dino Frareso  
12noon Intentions of Emily Kistemaker  
3:00pm + Gerrit Kistemaker  
5:00pm Vietnamese Mass



May God's peace be with those who have recently died, especially and those being persecuted for their faith & race, and those killed in natural disasters & their families. Please remember our parishioners who are sick and homebound and those in our Prayer Network in your prayers.

### Easter Sunday - April 5, 2026

"He has been raised from the dead!" Through our baptism He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Pray for those who herald the Good News as priests, deacons, brothers or sisters. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 at [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com).

### SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of April 5, 2026

Candle #1 – INTS of ZOFIA GADZINSKA

Candle #2 – INTS of NANCY LITWAK

Please use the envelopes provided to request intentions for the Sanctuary Lamps, which are lit at the tabernacle.

### COLLECTIONS FOR THE PAST WEEK

Do to bulletin deadlines collection amounts will be posted for March 28/29 next week.

Thank you for your contribution and God Bless!

If you would like a receipt for your contribution, we need your name & full address. If you would like envelopes or to sign up for Pre-Authorized Donations, please call the Parish Office at 519-822-4614.

### MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Brothers and Sisters!

He is not here. He has Risen! Just as He said - Mathew 25:6

He is risen truly, Alleluia!

Resurrection is the Hope that helps us to overcome our prejudices, limitations and despair. Wishing you and your families a truly blessed Easter filled with Joy, Hope and Peace. As we celebrate Christ's victory over sin and death, may the light of the resurrection shine in your hearts, renewing your faith and bring in comfort to you and your loved ones this season.

Thank you very much for all those who helped me during this season of lent and the Holy Week liturgies.

Peace be with you, Alleluia

Fr Lourdu

### EASTER HOUSE BLESSINGS

If you wish to have your house blessed for the Easter Season – until the end of April, please call the Parish Office to make an appointment

### ST JOSEPH FINANCE COMMITTEE – NEW MEMBERS NEEDED

Our Finance Committee is looking for new members who can provide their expertise and collaborate working on budgets and short- and long-term planning. Those who have experience in construction and accounting is an asset. The committee meets three times to discuss and provide support to our Pastor in financial reporting, stewardship and decision making. If you are interested in joining this important committee, please contact Fr Lourdu at [lsubramani@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:lsubramani@hamiltondiocese.com) for more information.

### ST JOSEPH YOUTH CHOIR

St Joseph Youth Choir that sings once a month at the 12noon Mass is looking to expand their choir. Young male and female all are welcome to join. Please contact Angelo Quintano at [angelo.quintano@hotmail.ca](mailto:angelo.quintano@hotmail.ca)



### CWL SPRING MARKET

The Spring Market is on **Saturday, April 11, 2025 from 9:30am – 2pm** in our church hall. Come out and enjoy the Vendors, Silent Auction, refreshments and a hot lunch.

### Catholic Women's League Annual Dinner & Service Awards

We welcome all ladies of St Joseph Parish to honour our long-standing CWL members for their amazing years of dedicated service. Mark your calendar for Tuesday, April 14 at 5:00pm at the Victoria Park East Golf Club. Tickets are \$45 per person and are available from Marti Valeriote 519-362-0555 or Tracy Bolzon at the parish office or by E-transfer to [cwlstjosephguelphtreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:cwlstjosephguelphtreasurer@gmail.com).

### VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION NIGHT

Once again, we wish to thank our very supportive and committed volunteers at St Joseph Parish. We have over 200 volunteers that help make this parish thrive. Please plan on attending our event on **Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> starting with Mass at 5pm** followed by reception. Lights snacks and refreshments provided. Join us so we can celebrate you!

### NOVENA OF THE DIVINE MERCY

The nine-day Novena of the Divine Mercy starting Good Friday April 3. **For each of the nine days, our Lord gave Saint Faustina a different intention:** All mankind, especially sinners; the souls of priests and religious; all devout and faithful souls; those who do not believe in God and those who do not yet know Jesus; the souls who have separated themselves from the Church; the meek and humble souls and the souls of little children; the souls who especially venerate and glorify His mercy; the souls detained in purgatory; and souls who have become lukewarm. **"I desire that during these nine days you bring souls to the fountain of My mercy, that they may draw therefrom strength and refreshment and whatever grace they have need of in the hardships of life, and especially at the hour of death"** (Diary, 1209). All are welcome to join.

#### SCHEDULE FOR NOVENA

DAY 1 -APRIL 3 <sup>rd</sup> GOOD FRIDAY	7:30pm
DAY 2 - APRIL 4 <sup>th</sup> HOLY SATURDAY	3:00 PM
DAY 3 - APRIL 5 <sup>th</sup> EASTER SUNDAY	1:30 PM
DAY 4 to 8 - APRIL 6 <sup>th</sup> to 10 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 PM
DAY 9 -APRIL 11 SATURDAY	4:00 PM

#### **APRIL 12 "FEAST THE DIVINE MERCY"**

1:30 PM -2:00 PM Adoration, Confessions & Chaplet of Divine Mercy

3:00 PM Holy Mass - "FEAST OF THE DIVINE MERCY"

Vietnamese Mass – 5:00pm with Fr Hanh Tran

### MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

#### RETREAT

The Open in Spirit to God - BLD Guelph charismatic community, is sponsoring a **Marriage Encounter weekend** retreat on **May 2 & 3** at St. Joseph Catholic School in Guelph. This retreat is designed to strengthen and renew the relationships of married couples by providing an opportunity to reflect deeply on their relationship with each other and with God. The weekend fosters improved communication, deeper understanding, and a renewed commitment, leading to a more loving, harmonious, and faith-filled marriage. The cost is \$100 per couple which covers meals and materials for the weekend. For more information, please contact OSG-BLD Guelph



at [bld.guelph@gmail.com](mailto:bld.guelph@gmail.com) or any of the following: **Fernando & Theresa Subang**, (519) 993-1933; **Joy & Falen Sequeira**, (647) 961-1310; or **Debbie & Romy Pascua**, (519) 820-3819. Scan the QR code to register. Deadline for registration is **April 17, 2026**.

### Faith and Flavours Pilgrimage to Italy – November 3-14, 2026.

You are very welcome to join in a faith and flavour filled pilgrimage to Italy from November 3-14, 2026. Visits include Siena, Assisi, Monte Cassino, and Rome among others over an enjoyable ten-day pilgrimage. The cost of \$7,995.00 per person includes airfare, hotels, ground transportation, all admission fees, most meals, and the services of an expert English-speaking guide. Fr. Ian Duffy will be the spiritual director of this pilgrimage leading us in prayer in the footsteps of St. Catherine of Siena, Ss. Francis and Clare, Ss. Benedict and Scholastica, Ss. Peter and Paul, and many more. To register or for more information please call Edgar at 1-800-268-0900 ext. 233, or e-mail [edgar@gateways-international.com](mailto:edgar@gateways-international.com). Space is limited so register soon.

### Help Not Harm: Take Action to Support Bill C-218

**Every Life is Precious – Protect Mental Health and Support Bill C-218 Write your Member of Parliament Today! Visit [HelpNotHarmCanada.ca](http://HelpNotHarmCanada.ca)**

You are invited to visit [HelpNotHarmCanada.ca](http://HelpNotHarmCanada.ca) to quickly and respectfully contact your federal Member of Parliament, urging them to support **Bill C-218 (The Right to Recover Act)**. This legislation would amend the Criminal Code to ensure that Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) is not extended to individuals whose sole underlying condition is mental illness. Without this amendment, MAiD will be available for mental illness alone beginning in March 2027. A vote is expected to take place mid-April 2026. Our Catholic faith teaches that every human life is a sacred gift from God. We are called to accompany those who suffer, to uphold their dignity, and to ensure they receive authentic care, compassion, and hope. Mental illness requires treatment, support and love — never abandonment or the offer of death. Many of us know someone living with mental illness — a family member, friend, neighbour, or colleague. At this critical moment, let us raise our voices in faithful witness to the Gospel of life. Visit [HelpNotHarmCanada.ca](http://HelpNotHarmCanada.ca) today and ask your MP to support Bill C-218.

### WALKING PILGRIMAGE TO MIDLAND: AUG 1-8

#### **WALKING PILGRIMAGE IS ABOUT:**

- ✚ nourishing your spirituality
- ✚ enjoying the great outdoors
- ✚ getting great exercise: 20+km per day
- ✚ having fun and enjoying good company



Those who walk the Guelph-to-Midland pilgrimage find it to be a unique and grace-filled experience. For eight days pilgrims pray, sing, laugh, and share stories with others as they journey. Join us, as we cast off routine for eight days and acquiesce to a community of higher purpose. **Participate for 1 day, a weekend or the full 8 days!** Cost \$400 for 8 days or \$75 per day. We carry your gear, provide 3 meals and snacks daily, and cover entry and camping fees. You bring your tent, chair and personal gear/clothing in a duffel bag. To register or for more information go to [www.ignatiusguelph.ca](http://www.ignatiusguelph.ca) (under programs - Guelph Walking Pilgrimage) **NOTE registration deadline June 30, 2025.**



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