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## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

*Deacon Terry Murphy*

It would have been easy for the disciples to assume that everything was over. The call, the commitment, the commission could have all ended on that fateful Friday, when the one to whom they had committed their lives was murdered. Even in the face of the resurrection, there did not have to be an understanding that what began three years earlier would continue. The trauma of the crucifixion of their teacher, friend, and messiah had sent them scattering in fear and grief. And as much as Jesus had tried to prepare them, they really weren't ready for life and work without him. It could have been over.

But something happened when the disciples gathered at the Mountain of Galilee, the resurrected Christ, the living Lord, Jesus, met them there. They were waiting to see Jesus.

Not all waiting is the same. If you have three sets of people waiting at a bus stop, the emotions they are going through could be entirely different.

One brother and sister are waiting for the bus to go to Oakville Hospital as they have every day this week. They don't know what they will find when they get there, but they hope they'll be back waiting at the bus stop tomorrow. Their mum is laying, dying in hospital. Will it be weeks, will it be days, will it be hours? They know it's inevitable, but they keep hoping the wait will be that bit longer, that they will have

a bit more time with her.

Then there's a boyfriend and girlfriend waiting for the bus to take them to their anniversary dinner. She thinks that's all they are waiting for. Her minds on other things as she chats aimlessly about the Maple Leafs. He waits nervously - in his pocket is a ring. Tonight, he will propose to her.

Then there's a couple in their early 40s. For ten years they have been waiting for a baby which has not come. Now they are waiting for the bus to take them to the clinic to find out if what's probably their last chance at IVF treatment has worked.

They are all waiting for the same bus, but each of their waiting is different.

There's waiting in the bible, and again each waiting is different.

For hundreds of years the Israelites had been waiting for a messiah. After being conquered by Babylonians, then Persians, then Greeks, then Romans, the Israelites were waiting for Great David's greater son - who would lead them to freedom.

Yes, there's something special about God and mountains. Other Gospel writers did not necessarily mention a mountain, but Matthew, Matthew, the one who wrote to a people who understood the power of mountains. Matthew, the one who wanted to connect the Jesus of his day with the Hebrew Scriptures. Matthew mentioned that the disciples met him at a mountain in Galilee. The Galilean Mountain signified that something new and powerful was to be initiated. It was not over.

(... continue reading on our website)

## PARISH LITURGIES

—SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD—

*May 21 – May 27*

**Monday, May 22 - St. Rita of Cascia**

—No Mass—

**Tuesday, May 23 - St. Crispin of Viterbo**

8:30 am + Sharon McCormick

**Wednesday, May 24 - Bl. Louis-Zéphirin Moreau**

8:30 am Int. Margaret Thomas

**Thursday, May 25 - St. Bede the Venerable,**

**St. Gregory VII, St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi**

8:30 am + Gerald McGraw

**Friday, May 26 - St. Philip Neri**

8:30 am + Angeloni Family

—SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST—

**Saturday, May 27 - St. Augustine of Canterbury**

4:00 – 4:30 pm **Reconciliation**

5:00 pm **For:**

+ Theresa Clunies, + Iva Araujo, + Giovanna Valensisi

**Sunday, May 28**

9:00 am For our

11:00 am Parish



### THE ROSARY EVERY WEDNESDAY EVENING

There is a public recitation of the Rosary in front of Saint Dominic Church every Wednesday evening at 6:00 pm.

The origin of Our Lady of the Rosary (Our Lady of Victory) stems from "The Battle of Lepanto." Though outnumbered by the Ottoman Forces, the so called "Holy League" possessed of superior firepower would win the day through prayer and petition for the intercessions of the Blessed Virgin Mary through the recitation of the rosary. October 7th, would henceforth, be the Feast of Our Lady of Victory.

Please join us to pray for world peace, through the intercession of Our Lady of Victory.

### MEDITATION CLASSES

Meditation classes will be starting up again on Saturday May 20<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 am – 11:30 am. The classes will be held in room 4 of the parish centre. If you would like to sign up for these classes, please contact the parish office.

### CWL UPDATE

#### **Baby Shower for girls at Shifra Homes** –

On Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, after the 11:00 am Mass, the CWL will be hosting a baby shower in the Parish Centre for mothers and their babies who reside at Shifra Homes. A light lunch will be served. Complimentary tickets will be available on the weekends of

May 27-28 and June 03-04. The price of admission is an unwrapped baby gift. The list of much needed items along with more information regarding this event, will be on our website [www.saintdominic.ca](http://www.saintdominic.ca). If you are unable to attend but would still like to contribute, you can leave your baby gift in the parish hall narthex. If you would like to make a financial donation, a tax receipt can be provided to you. Please come and join us on June 11<sup>th</sup>. We look forward to seeing you there.

*"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me."*



### SANCTUARY LAMP

*Our Sanctuary lamp will be lit this week in Intentions of the Paikeday Family*

We pray for the repose of the soul of our dearly departed, especially, **Deacon Randy Matters**

–may they, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Amen.



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

**Marian Council 3881**

#### **Membership and Insurance Information Evening**

Learn how the Knights of Columbus helps protect Catholic families, proclaims the faith, and helps those most in need in local communities and across the world. With the Knights you can address your family's insurance needs while supporting an organization that contributes to charities that align with our shared Catholic faith. Everyone is invited to join us for a Membership and Insurance Information Evening with refreshments on May 31<sup>st</sup> and June 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm, at the Knights of Columbus Marian Council Hall, 635 Fourth Line, Unit 50, Oakville, ON, L6L 5W4. Please email [henrythissen@gmail.com](mailto:henrythissen@gmail.com) to register.

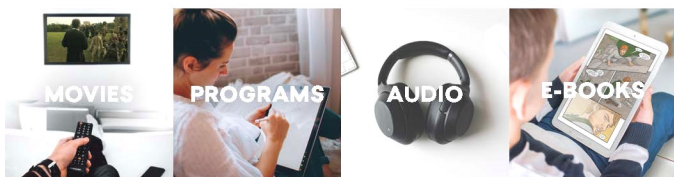


### HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday, May 22	Rev. Peter Meyer
Tuesday, May 23	Rev. Emmanuel Olusola
Wednesday, May 24	Barnabite Fathers (C.R.S.P.)
Thursday, May 25	Rev. Gordon Okpuruka
Friday, May 26	St. Philip Neri, Patron Saint of Canadian Home Mission Work
Saturday, May 27	Rev. Robert Hetu

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The Family Ministry Office invites you to an online session for an opportunity to have a quick overview at the content on Formed. Please join us on **Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm via Zoom**, whether you are already a subscriber or would like to learn more information. Please register to receive the link at [hamiltondiocese.com](https://hamiltondiocese.com), under Upcoming events on the home page.

*"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them..."*

### YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT – SAT. JUNE 03, 2023

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20's and early 30's) of our diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy Hour (6:30 pm – 7:30 pm). Social with Food (7:30 pm – 8:30 pm), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:00 pm – 9:00 pm), and Compline (9:00 pm) on Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, at Canadian Martyrs Catholic Church and Chaplaincy, 1349 Main Street, West Hamilton, Ontario. Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

Alliance for Life Ontario and Hamilton Right to Life, with the support of the Diocesan Family Ministry Office, cordially invite you to register for our dinner and conference which will be held Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at Michelangelo Banquet Centre, Hamilton and at the Nicholas Mancini Centre (behind the Chancery Office) on Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Speakers: Dr. William Lile, Teresa Hartnett, Alex Schadenberg and Jakki Jeffs. Urgent life issues, which require our attention and prayers, will be discussed. We hope to see you there! Contact us via email: [aflo@mgl.ca](mailto:aflo@mgl.ca) or text/call us at 519-820-3399 [www.allianceforlifeontario.ca/event/2023-conference](https://www.allianceforlifeontario.ca/event/2023-conference).

### SPRING MEMORIAL MASS HOLY SEPULCHRE CEMETERY

The Spring Memorial Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Burlington will take place on Saturday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am. Light refreshments will be served following the Mass. All are welcome!

### PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

*God, the source of creation and love, you invite each of us to serve you through life, which is your gift. May your grace encourage men and women to heights of holiness through service to the Church as priests, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen.*

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