

PALM SUNDAY

Father Ranjan D'Sa OCD

In the liturgical year of the church, we enter the holiest week of our worship with Passion Sunday, also known as Palm Sunday. A lot of things happened during this week. Jesus was preparing himself for his impending death which will bring salvation to the whole world.

Let us go through the activities of Jesus for this whole week.

Sunday - Jesus enters Jerusalem acclaimed by the people, holding palm branches. Then returns to Bethany.

Monday – Jesus, on his way to the temple, curses the fig-tree, preaches in the temple, and returns to Bethany.

Tuesday - The leaders of the temple have bitter discussion with Jesus and on the way back to Bethany Jesus announces the destruction of Jerusalem.

Wednesday - Jesus spends the day in Bethany while Judas plots against him.

Thursday - Preparation in the morning for the Passover celebrations. In the evening Jesus celebrates with His disciples the Passover. During the meal he washes their feet, gives his final instructions to the disciples and after the meal goes to Jesus appears to the women and then to Peter. Gethsemane to pray.

11:00 pm - Jesus was arrested, then taken to Emmaus, and Annas and Caiaphas who unofficially condemn him to death. Later he was given to the temple guards for the night of harassment and mockery.

Friday - 6:00 am Sanhedrin officially condemn Jesus to death.

9:00 am - Jesus is handed over to Pilate who sends Jesus to Herod. Herod returns the favour by sending him back to Pilate.

11:00 am - Jesus is scourged and crowned with thorns and given the cross to start his journey to

12:00 noon - Jesus is nailed to the cross and suffers for three hours.

3:00 pm - Jesus dies on the cross

5:00 pm – Jesus' body was kept in the tomb.

Saturday - The Tomb was sealed and was guard-



Sunday - 5:00 am The women, Mary Magdalene, John, and Peter find the tomb empty.

3:00 to 6:00 pm Jesus appears to the disciples at

9:00 pm He appears to his apostles gathered in the Upper Room (without Thomas)-

PARISH LITURGIES

-PALM SUNDAY-

Monday, March 25 Chrism Mass – Hamilton

Holy Tuesday, March 26

8:30 am + Guido Bardaro

Holy Wednesday, March 27

8:30 am + Mark Pogue

Holy Thursday, March 28

7:00 pm Holy Thursday

9:00 to 10:00 pm Silent Prayer 'at Geth

> semane', ending in **Evening Prayer**

Good Friday, March 29

11:00 am Good Friday Children's Service

3:00 pm Good Friday Solemn Service

-EASTER-THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD!-

Holy Saturday, March 30

11:00 Blessing of the Easter Food

8:00 pm The Great Vigil of Easter

Easter Sunday, March 31

8:30 am **Easter Mass** 10:15 am **Easter Mass** 12:00 pm **Easter Mass**

Easter Octave: Mar 31 - Apr 07



HOLY WEEK 2024 MASS TIMES

HOLY THURSDAY – MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Thursday, March 28 7:00 pm

9:00 pm to 10:00 pm Silent Prayer 'at Gethsemane', ending with Evening

Prayer at 9:45 pm

GOOD FRIDAY - THE PASSION OF OUR LORD

Friday, March 29 11:00 am Children's Service

3:00 pm Solemn Service

Saturday, March 30 11:00 am Blessing of the Easter

Food

EASTER - SOLEMNITY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Saturday, March 30 8:00 pm The Great Vigil of Easter

Sunday, March 31 **8:30 am** Easter Morning Mass

10:15 am Easter Morning Mass

12:00 pm Easter Morning Mass

PONTIFICAL COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN THE HOLY LAND ON GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 2024

The annual Good Friday Collection was first taken at Pope Paul VI's request fifty years ago. It is the only yearly request asked by the Holy See of dioceses and parishes throughout the world to assist the Church in the Holy Land. The monies collected support its pastoral, educational, and social works and help to maintain the Holy Places so important for the faith of Christians everywhere.

For the sake of our brothers and sisters enduring hardships, please give generously during your parish's Good Friday celebrations on March 29, 2024. If you are unable to attend the service, it is possible to contribute by Interact e-transfer to terresainte@bellnet.ca or online at Commissariat.ca — receipts will be issued.

On behalf of the Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land, to whom the Holy See has entrusted this ministry for nearly 700 years, I sincerely thank you for your support.

-Fr. Robert Mokry, OFM

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SANCTUARY LAMP

Our Sanctuary lamp will be lit this week In Memory of Iva Araujo

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS OUR CANDIDATES PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION

On Tuesday, April 16th at 7:30 pm - St. Nicholas School

On Wednesday, April 17th at 7:30 pm - St Dominic School

We pray that confirmandi may open their hearts and minds for the gifts of the Holy Spirit and make witness to the gospel.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR CHILDREN PREPARING FOR FIRST COMMUNION

The dates for First Communion will be during regular Sunday Masses beginning April 13th – May 12th.

We pray that communicants will open their hearts to receive Jesus with joy and continue to receive Jesus regularly.

THANK YOU FROM CHALICE

Thank you to all the parishioners who visited the Chalice table last weekend. Our special thanks go to Father Ranjan for hosting this event and to Deacon Terry, as well as to Mary for her help with the organization. We are very grateful to everyone who chose to sponsor a child, and 36 children are now facing a much brighter future thanks to your generosity. Your "yes" is revealing God's love to a beloved child who desperately needs it.

If you are still undecided about sponsorship, or would like to learn more, please visit the Chalice website at chalice.ca

YOUNG ADULTS' NIGHT

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to celebrate the Easter Season with an evening of Adoration, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adult Night includes a Holy Hour, social with food, vocation testimony, and Compline on Saturday, April 6th at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate (28 Norfolk Street, Guelph) from 6:30 to 9:00 pm. For more information please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

YOUNG VINCENTIANS

An important part of our Lenten practices is almsgiving. If you have any spare change, there will be a glass jar in the church for anyone who would like to donate it for Lent. The change collected will be donated to our Young Vincentians Youth Group. Thank you for your generosity!

CWL NEWS

The Hamilton Diocesan CWL held their Spring 2024 Regional Meeting at Our Lady of the Assumption in Stoney Creek. We had seven members of the Saint Dominic CWL in attendance.



"Christ became obedient for us to death, even death on a Cross. Therefore, God exalted him and gave him the name above every name."



ST. PATRICK'S DAY SUCCESS

Last Sunday, the Knights of Columbus held their annual St. Patrick's Day

The party was an outstanding success again this year. The Goggin-Stewart School of Irish Dance wowed the crowd with their jigs and reels, and our amateur ceilidh dancers also put on a display!

VOCATIONS RECOGNITION DINNER 2024

The Sierra Club of Hamilton invites you to gather on Wednesday, May 15th, 2024 at Liuna Station to celebrate the service of our Priests, Religious Brothers and Sisters, Permanent Deacons, and Consecrated Virgins Living in the World. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$90 per person. Please contact:

<u>serrahamilton1965@gmail.com</u> for tickets or more information. Cosponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton.

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, March 25	Most Rev. Matthew Ustrzycki—Chrism Mass
Tuesday, March 26	Rev. Gerald Mulhall
Wednesday, March 27	Sisters of St. Joseph in Canada (C.S.J.)
Thursday, March 28	Holy Thursday
Friday, March 29	Friday of the Passion of the Lord
Saturday, March 30	Holy Saturday

HOLY WEEK RESOURCES FOR TEENS

The Office of Youth Ministry will be publishing, Walking the Way, a Holy Week Journal for Teens. This resources has been developed for youth aged 13-16 in mind. The journal bridges the Gospel readings for each day of Holy Week to practical ways young people can live out the message. **Download it today!** The Holy Week Journal can found here: tinyurl.com/yyxxxwyj

THANK YOU FROM FARESHARE FOOD BANK

Once again your congregation has come through for us! On behalf of the volunteers and clients of Fare Share Food Bank, we would like to thank you for the food drive you organized for us. It resulted in a car -load of food and toiletries that will go along way in helping us provide food security for the needy in Oakville. Donations such as yours are the mainstay of our efforts. With the prices of groceries skyrocketing and the number of registered families increasing, we depend on the generosity of donors like you to keep our food bank operating.

Over the past few months, we have seen a 60% increase in the number of families we assist every month. Last December was our biggest month ever, with 829 families (2600 people) needing our Support.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to all those who participated in and helped to organize, this food drive. Your contributions are very much appreciated.

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