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## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

*Christian Life Should Witness the Risen Christ*

Rev. Ranjan D'Sa OCD

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Lent has passed, along with its penitential mood, and now we are in the joyful season of Easter. It is a season to experience God's favour for us, as God has sanctified humanity through His Son. Most often, we become polemic by defending our faith in the resurrection rather than trying our best to live the faith. No proofs can determine the actual occurrence of the event of resurrection. The acts of the apostles in today's first reading positively assents to the truthfulness of the resurrection of Christ by giving the example of the way the people of the early church lived their lives.

The first Christian community lived a distinct and extraordinary life, especially when compared to the other people or communities of that time. There was something basic providing for this difference. The reason given was 'Christ is risen and he is living among us'. The risen Christ was not visible but the community, born of the Spirit of Christ with brotherly love and caring for each other, was there for everybody to see.

In today's world, the spirit of unhealthy competition is dominant. Today's first reading presents a community governed by love,

generosity and selflessness. By forming such a community, we shall be able to prove that the risen Jesus is among us. Unity among Christians shall work as an antidote for the present world that is sick from individualism and materialism. –

## DIVINE MERCY—Jesus I Trust in You!

The message of Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And, He wants us to recognize that His Mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.

For more information on Divine Mercy please visit [thedivinemercy.org/message](http://thedivinemercy.org/message)

## DIOCESAN WORKSHOPS FOR MINISTERS OF THE WORD & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Liturgy Office at the diocese has scheduled formation workshops for Ministers of the Word (on April 13<sup>th</sup> in Waterdown) and for Ministers of Holy Communion (April 20<sup>th</sup> in Guelph). For more information and to register, please visit <https://hamiltondiocese.com/office/pastoral-offices/liturgy-office/upcoming-workshops>

## PARISH LITURGIES

— SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER  
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY—

**Monday, April 08** - *Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord*

**Tuesday, April 09**

8:30 am Int. Joanne Oatridge

**Wednesday, April 10**

8:30 am + Barbara Jean Bolter

**Thursday, April 11**

8:30 am + Catherine Brophy Sloan

**Friday, April 12**

8:30 am + Joseph Steiner

—THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER—

**Saturday, April 13**

4:00 - 4:30 Reconciliation

5:00 pm For:

+ Pereira Family, + Andrade Family,  
+ Francisco Macedo, + Sundeep Khosla,  
+ Alice Ann LeMay, + John Thornton,  
+ Annette Welch, Int. Anna Petrella,  
Int. Peter Hughes, Int. Beata Samul

**Sunday, April 14**

9:00 am For our

11:00 am Parishioners

*Easter Season: April 08—May 19*



*Jesus, I trust in You!*

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS OUR CANDIDATES PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION**

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

On Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> 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 13<sup>th</sup> – May 12<sup>th</sup>.

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

**TRIVIA NIGHT 2024**



It's time to show off your trivia skills! Our annual Trivia Night is happening Saturday April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The start time is 6:15 pm in the parish centre.

Join the fun, as our Trivia Master, Marco DeMuzio, challenges the teams gathered with a variety of questions from a wide selection of categories.

Tickets will be on sale following each mass on the weekends of April 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> and April 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup>. Space is limited, you can join us as an individual, a couple, or build your own team of 8 players.

The cost to attend is \$10 and includes pizza.

**VOCATIONS RECOGNITION DINNER 2024**

The Serra 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:

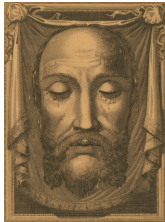
[serrahamilton1965@gmail.com](mailto:serrahamilton1965@gmail.com) for tickets or more information. Co-sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton.



**SANCTUARY LAMP**

*Our Sanctuary lamp will be lit this week For the Intentions of the Camacho Family*

**MONTHLY HOLY FACE DEVOTION**



Please join our St. Dominic's Conversatio Christo Choir at our monthly Holy Face Devotion Vespers – contemplative evening prayer including the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Rosary, and Gregorian Chant hymns – on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Church as we pray for reverence, reparation, and a return to Christ.

**CWL UPDATE**



There will be a CWL General Meeting this Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the parish centre. All women of the parish are invited to attend.

**SPRING MEMORIAL MASS AT HOLY SEPULCHRE CEMETERY**

The Spring Memorial Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Burlington will take place on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am. The principal celebrant will be Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI, Bishop of Hamilton. All are welcome!

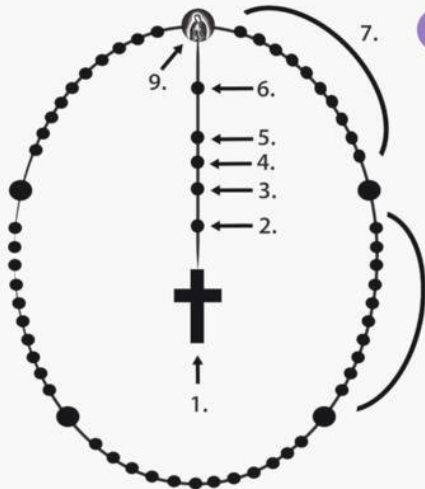


**COAT DRIVE COLLECTION**

With the changing seasons we are getting a head start in collecting donations for the Annual Bronte Winter Coat Drive. If you are looking to reduce your winter coat storage or are planning to replace them next fall, but they still have life in them, please donate to our Coat Drive. Your donations can be left in the Narthex from April 20 to May 12.

# PRAYING THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is recited using ordinary rosary beads. It is preceded by two opening prayers from the Diary of St. Faustina and followed by a closing prayer.



## 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 Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.

(Repeat three 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 PRAY THE OUR FATHER

## 4 PRAY THE HAIL MARY

## 5 PRAY THE APOSTLES' CREED

## 6 PRAY 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 DECADE

Say the Eternal Father (#6) on the Our Father beads and then ten "for the sake of His sorrowful Passion" (#7) on the following Hail Mary beads.

## 9 HOLY GOD

(Repeat three times) Holy God, Holy Might 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.



## LEARN MORE

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## MARCH FOR LIFE BUS TRIP

Marian Council Knights of Columbus have arranged a coach bus to transport people to Parliament Hill in Ottawa on Thursday, May 9, 2024 to participate in the *Annual March for Life*. The bus will leave from Saint Dominic Church on May 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 am sharp. The bus will stop once for a short break and arrive in Ottawa at noon. The bus will return to Saint Dominic church by 9:00 pm the same day with a short break as well. Coffee and water will be served on the bus. We encourage participants to pack a lunch. Cost is \$10 per person, however we encourage all to take advantage of this opportunity to join the March for Life regardless of being able to pay as subsidy is available. We encourage everyone interested to contact Charles Thomas as soon as possible to reserve a seat as the seats will fill quickly.

Charles Thomas: (416) 997-2786 – [chathomas@deloitte.ca](mailto:chathomas@deloitte.ca)

## HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday, April 08	The Annunciation of the Lord
Tuesday, April 09	Rev. Allen Varlaki
Wednesday, April 10	Permanent Deacons
Thursday, April 11	Rev. Rajesh D'Souza O.C.D.
Friday, April 12	Rev. Jerzy Tomon
Saturday, April 13	Parents & Guardians

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