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## SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

*Deacon Terry Murphy*

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus' first words after his Resurrection – "Peace be with you." Then He shows them his wounds, offers his peace again, and sends them on a mission. He tells them to receive his Holy Spirit and to believe in Him. It's the same message to us today. It is important to take his Easter gift of Peace seriously – to be at peace within ourselves, within our families, and with one another – to carry on our mission as witnesses of the Resurrection and to believe in Him.

Jesus came and stood among them, in the midst of their fear, their deflated hopes, their crucified dreams, their regrets and their sorrows and he said, "*Peace be with you*". In Aramaic, the first language of Jesus, it was one word: "*Shalom!*" Still spoken across Israel every day, and in Jewish homes throughout the world, Jesus said it to them and he says it to you: "*Shalom. Peace be with you*"; and God's Shalom is not just an absence of conflict or an end to fear or worry. It is so much more than that. God's shalom for you and me is the fullness of his peace within us, His well-being in our hearts and minds, a peace that nothing else and no one else can give.

I can imagine what they may have been thinking, and I guess there were some massive 'buts' in the room!

But it wasn't meant to be like this. We followed him around and listened to his teaching for three years and now he's dead. Was

it all a waste of time?

But Mary Magdalene says she has seen and encountered Jesus.

But what happens now? What do we do? To whom do we turn? They killed Jesus! Will we be next? But I remember, He said our grief will be turned to joy!

What Big Buts are you carrying right now? What is looming large and stopping you from moving forward with Jesus? Can you name those 'buts' before God?

Whatever big but or little but is looming, Jesus says to you and me, "*Shalom. Peace be with you.*"

But what does believing in Jesus Christ mean? Isn't that the real question? Lots of churches, real and so-called, profess some kind of belief in Jesus; and even Muslims call Jesus a prophet.

When we proclaim that we believe in Jesus, we acknowledge that Jesus, and Jesus alone, is the "Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world". We are a believing church in a doubting world, and that's what we believe.

St. Thomas struggled with belief, with the "in between" of faith.

We live in between. If, as the author of Hebrews writes, "*Faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see*" (Heb. 11:1), then we are in between "*what we hope for*", and not seeing it. That is the posture of faith—the posture of "in between."

*(... Read the rest on our parish website)*

## PARISH LITURGIES

— SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST —

**Monday May 20** - *The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church*

**Tuesday, May 21** - *St. Christopher Magallanes & St. Eugene de Mazenod*

8:30 am + Rita McGill

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

8:30 am Int. Beata Samul

**Thursday, May 23** - *St. John Baptist de Rossi*

8:30 am Int. Margaret Thomas

**Friday, May 24** - *Bl. Louis-Zephirin Moreau*

8:30 am + Guido Bardaro

9:00 am Adoration

— SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY —

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

**4:00 - 4:30** Reconciliation

**5:00 pm** For:

+ Sundeep Khosla, + Tom Kingry, + Mate Uvodic, + Giuseppe Novelli, + Elizabeth Boulton, + Ann B. Touesnard, + Rita McGill, + Raymond Nau, + Charles Ward, + Darryl Ward

**Sunday, May 26**

**9:00 am** For our

**11:00 am** Parishioners



**MOTHER MARY, QUEEN OF CANADA  
OUR LADY OF THE CAPE**

*“One day, through the Rosary and the Scapular, I will save the world.” (these words were spoken by Our Lady to Saint Dominic)*



Did you know that before Fatima there was Our Lady of the Cape – in Canada? You are invited to attend a special event here at Saint Dominic Church on Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup> beginning at 2:00 pm. There will be a viewing of the *Bridge of Roses* movie, a rosary & procession of Our Lady’s Statue, followed by the 5:00 pm Holy Mass with the intention of honouring Mother Mary, Queen of Canada – Our Lady of the Cape.

The travelling miraculous statue from our very own Canadian shrine in Trois-Rivières, Quebec, will be visiting our parish along with the shrine and pilgrim director Father Berard. Tickets will be sold in the Narthex for a \$5.00 donation after Masses or by contacting [cwl@saintdominic.ca](mailto:cwl@saintdominic.ca). Refreshments will be served and there will also be an opportunity to purchase items from the Shrine. All are welcome to attend!

**MARIAN DAYS**

The Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph, the Diocesan Marian Shrine, will be hosting the Diocesan Marian Days on the first Saturdays from June through October. Format: 9:00 am—Holy Hour & Confessions; 10:30—Mass & Reflection on the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary; 11:30—Rosary Procession; 12:00 pm—Tea & Coffee available in the Parish Hall. You are welcome to bring your own lunch. Gift shop will be open and tours are available.

**NEW TO YOUTH MINISTRY NETWORKING EVENT**

The Office of Youth Ministry is hosting a networking evening for those adult leaders who are new to parish youth ministry. Join us on June 6th at St. Benedict Parish in Milton for an evening of conversation and fellowship. Registration and additional information is available on the Diocesan website:

[tinyurl.com/46cdfape](http://tinyurl.com/46cdfape)



**SANCTUARY LAMP**

*Our Sanctuary lamp will be lit this week in Memory of Elegria Honora Librada*

**SAINT DOMINIC PARISH INTERNATIONAL NIGHT**

Our parish community is filled with fine folks from a variety of international backgrounds. Our Social Committee is planning to host an evening event to celebrate all of the cultural backgrounds that make our parish a very special community.

The actual event will take place early in 2025 (date to be confirmed). We are calling on members of our parish community to join in the planning for this special event. We are hosting a planning session on Wednesday May 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Please join us.

Share your culture and be a part of our organizing team for International Night 2025!

**SAINT DOMINIC PARISH SUMMER GARDEN PARTY**

Mark your calendars, the evening of Saturday June 22, 2024, our Social Committee will be hosting the first ever parish Summer Garden Party! We are finalizing the details and will share more information on this event early in June. Don’t miss it! Block the dates on your calendar now!

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL YOUTH TRAINING DAY**

The Office of Youth Ministry will be holding a day of training for those young people who are assisting in their parish’s Vacation Bible School this summer. Join us on Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at Mount Mary Retreat Centre for a day of leadership development. Parishes are requested to complete the registration form on behalf of their young people attending. Registration and additional information is available on the Diocesan website: [tinyurl.com/vbsmay2024](http://tinyurl.com/vbsmay2024)



*“Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of Your Love.”*

**YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT  
SATURDAY, JUNE 1 - STONEY CREEK**

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30 pm – 7:30 pm), social with food (7:30 pm – 8:00 pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00 pm – 9:00 pm), and Compline (9:00 pm) on Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup> at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church (934 Highway #8, Stoney Creek, Ontario). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: [hamiltondiocese.com/vocations](http://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations) For more information, please contact: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION THROUGH VLCFF**

The Diocese of Hamilton is proud to partner with Dayton University's Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation (VLCFF) to offer certificate programs for ministry and enrichment for adult faith formation. We are currently taking enrollment for the Youth Ministry Certificate Program and the Catechist Formation Program for the Diocese of Hamilton, which begins in September 2024. Three and five week e-seminars are also available at a discounted rate for all adults in the Diocese looking to further their learning. For more information about our programs, and to register, visit us at [hamiltondioceselearns.com](http://hamiltondioceselearns.com)

**WOMEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND**

A Women's Cursillo Weekend will be held in Deemerton from Thursday, May 30 to Sunday, June 2nd. For information or application forms, please contact Mary Ann Kirkconnell (Weekend Coordinator) [rmkirkconnell@gmail.com](mailto:rmkirkconnell@gmail.com)

**THE FINE ART OF BEING HAPPILY MARRIED**

In his poem, *The Art of Marriage*, Wilfred A. Peterson writes, "A good marriage must be created" and creating something requires time and attention. We invite you to take the time with your spouse, to find new and creative ways to increase your connection with each other, to discover fresh techniques for being in relationship and to deepen the love you already share. Join us on Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup> from 9:30 am – 3:00 pm at St. Catherine of Siena Parish in Hamilton. The cost is \$50 per couple and includes lunch. To register on the website, go to [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com) and look under Upcoming Events for Marriage Enrichment, or contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

*"The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Spirit of God dwelling within us."*

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**RELICS OF ST. BROTHER ANDRE BESSETTE  
VISIT HAMILTON DIOCESE**



The major reliquary of St. André Bessette (Brother André of the Montreal Oratory) will visit the Diocese of Hamilton, May 17-24, 2024. The relic of Brother André starts its tour at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King and finishes at Holy Family, Hanover. See the diocesan website news, *Saint Brother Andre in the Diocese of Hamilton* ([hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com)) for dates, places and times. This is a wonderful opportunity to invoke the inter-

cession of one of our own Canadian Saints. We are truly blessed to have the relic of St. Andre Bessette visit our Diocese!

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, May 20	Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
Tuesday, May 21	Rev. Hanh Van Tran, O.M.I.
Wednesday, May 21	Congregation of the Resurrection (C.R.)
Thursday, May 22	Rev. Adam Voisin
Friday, May 23	Rev. Jeffery Oehring
Saturday, May 24	Rev. Francesco Cucchi

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