

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

-Deacon Terry Murphy

A grandmother takes her grandson to the beach. The boy goes out in a boat which tips over. The grandmother starts shouting for Yes, it's a good thing that Jesus did not comhelp. No one comes. Finally, she prays, "Please, God, send someone to rescue my grandchild." As if out of nowhere a man appears, dives in the water and brings the boy gasping to shore. The grandmother starts straightening out the boy's wet clothes, then stops, looks up and says, "But he had a hat!"

We smile because we recognize our own selves. God has given us everything, more than we deserve. Instead of constant gratigoes wrong. This Sunday God invites us to liefs. reflect on how much we have freely received.

to love one another. What's strange is that he told them this was his commandment. spectrum of how they thought you were to That's pretty strong word, "commandment." It carries an imperative with it, leaving no room whatsoever for debate.

Jesus doesn't say they have to like one another. This is good because, as we all know some people are simply more likeable than others. It's true here in this church; it's true in my prison ministry; it's true in your family

and mine, and it was certainly so in the ranks of Jesus' disciples. Yes, it's a good thing Jesus didn't tell us we have to like one another, or we might be in real trouble.

mand his disciples to like one another. What he did was require them to love each other. Otherwise, things could have gotten difficult in a hurry.

The followers of Jesus did have some obvious things in common with one another. They were all Galilean Jews. That means their dialects would have been similar, their world-view about the same. From a political perspective, they might have all been of one tude we tend to get upset when one thing party and shared a number of common be-

But don't stretch that idea too far. One was a zealot and another tax collector. That It isn't odd that Jesus would tell his followers would have placed Simon the zealot and Matthew the tax agent on the very opposite get along – or not get along – with the hated Romans. Some were fishermen, used to hard labor on the sea, while others wouldn't have known what it was like to have a callous on their hands. It may have been a good thing that Jesus commanded them to love one another, because otherwise this whole enterprise might have been dead in the water.

(... read the rest on the parish website)

PARISH LITURGIES

-FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER -

Tuesday, May 20 - Saint Bernardine of Siena

8:30 am + Souls in Purgatory

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

8:30 am + For Peace

Thursday, May 22 - St. Rita of Cascia

8:30 pm Int. Matt Perssini

Friday May, 23 - St. John Baptist de Rossi

8:30 am Int. Marilynn Macaretta

9:00 am Adoration

- SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER-

Saturday, May 24 - Bl. Louis-Zéphirin Moreau

4:00 Reconciliation

5:00 For:

Int. Stefania, Elena, Cristian, & Luca, Consecrated People, Int. Fr. Ranjan D'Sa, Int. Fr. Iosif, Int Nelson Pinheiro, Int. Dave Pinheiro, + Sybil O'Leary, + Mate Uvodic

Sunday, May 25

9:00 am For our

11:00 am **Parishioners**

Easter Season: April 28 - June 08



ORDER OF HOLY GARDENERS



We hope you are enjoying the spring flowers! Next year there will be more!

Our first gardening meeting this year will be on Saturday May 24th at 10:00 am. Everyone is invited to come and help. We will be planting

and weeding. If you would like to sign up and be a volunteer please come and meet us, or email Peter at ohg@saintdominic.ca Volunteer hours will be given to students. Hope to see you there!

LAUDATO SI' AWARENESS SUNDAY



June 01 - Following the 9:00 am and 11:00 am Masses

Location:

St. Dominic Church

come hear special guest speakers who will reflect on the spirituality of Laudato Si' and explore pressing ecological and social justice issues, including:

- Water Rites & Corporate Buyouts
- * Deforestation & Reforestation
- * Fast Fashion
- * Laudato Si' Spirituality

These conversations are designed to inspire, inform, and equip us to take meaningful, faith-rooted action.

"I give you a new commandment: love one another just as I have loved you."



SANCTUARY LAMP

Our Sanctuary Lamp will be lit this week: In Memory of Alison Weeks In Memory of Sybil O'Leary For the Intentions of Peter and Brenda Desa

AN INVITATION FROM THE CWL TO THE LADIES OF THE PARISH



Please join us on Sunday, May 25th, at 12 noon, as the CWL and the Young Vincentians co-host our annual Baby Shower for the young Moms and babies of Shifra Homes. A complimentary luncheon will be provided and the 'price' of admission is an unwrapped baby gift.

Our get-together with Shifra Homes Director, Nancy Romic, and the Moms and their babies has become an annual event and we look forward to your continued support.

In order to track numbers and prepare the luncheon, complimentary tickets may be picked up in the Narthex and at the other two entrances after each Mass on the weekends of May 10/11 and 17/18. If you are unable to attend and still wish to help with a gift or donation, you may leave these items at the display table that will be in the Narthex starting next weekend. For information about what items would be greatly needed, please check the posters at the doors of the church and in the Narthex.

THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER!

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2025? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Crosby and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 01, 2025 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. Registration can be made by calling Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or found under Upcoming Events on the home page at hamiltondiocese.com

YOUNG VINCENTIANS - PLANT SALE

Are you a gardener? The Young Vincentians of Saint Dominic Parish are asking for your support. In keeping with Laudato Si' principles, we especially welcome donations of native plants, such as,

- Wild Strawberry
- Purple Coneflower,
- Black-eyed Susan,
- Foamflower, Blazing Star (Liatris).

Bring your plant donations during Mass on the weekend of June 01. Please leave them in the staff parking area (between the Rectory and the Church). All proceeds will support the creation of a Community Garden and Community Mesa (shared table) — spaces where stories, seeds, and solidarity can grow. More details to follow.

YOUNG ADULT NIGHT—JUNE 7TH



Fr. Mark Morley invites
all young adults (ages
20s and 30s) of our
diocese to celebrate
Pentecost by attending
an evening of prayer,
fellowship and praise

music in support of your vocations. The Young Adult 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 7th 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

For more information, please contact:

vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, May 19	Rev. Brian Quigley, M.C.C.J.
Tuesday, May 20	Rev. Lukasz Kopaniak, S.A.C.
Wednesday, May 21	Congregation of the Resurrection, C.R.
Thursday, May 22	Rev. Rajesh Madtha, O.C.D.
Friday, May 23	Single Catholics
Saturday, May 24	Rev. Yonas Okubit Ghebru

2025 JUBILEE OF HOPE - FEAST OF VISITATION



Honouring the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of the Cape. From Saturday, May 31, until Sunday, June 01, the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of the Cape will visit St. Raphael's Parish, Burlington, for the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The visit will begin with a 5pm Saturday Vigil – Thanksgiving Mass offered by Fr. Wedner Berard – Pilgrimage Director of the Shrine of Our Lady of the Cape. After the Mass, we will have recitation of the Holy Rosary along with

a Candlelight Procession, and Veneration. St. Raphael Parish invites everyone to celebrate this grace-filled moment during the Jubilee Year of Pilgrims of Hope.

ST BENEDICT PARISH, MILTON PARISH FEAST—JULY 06

We are excited to announce that our parish will be celebrating our Annual Parish Feast on Sunday, July 6th from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm. The event promises to be a grand celebration with craft vendors, food trucks, live bands, and much more fun activities for all ages. Please join us for a fun filled day with family and friends. For more information, please visit: <a href="style="style="style-type: style-type: st

"I will bless your name forever, my king and my God;

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Parish Hours: Tuesday to Friday – 9:00 am to 4:00 pm (*Closed from noon to 1:00 pm*).

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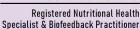
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