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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The New Jerusalem

—Fr. Ranjan D'Sa O.C.D.

Today's second reading speaks about St. John's vision of the New Jerusalem. In the vision, he hears the voice; "Here, God lives with men... and His name will be God-with-them". What makes it possible for men to live with God in His presence? The description of the new or heavenly Jerusalem answers this question.

The city had as many as 12 gates. Anybody could use these gates to enter this city, yet John mentions that the city had no temple available. No one other than the Jews could enter the holy temple of Jerusalem. It means the new heavenly city of John's vision was free from all divisions and discriminations. There was absolute unity, love, and peace. Where there is wholeness, there is God – and there, God makes His dwelling among men.

The 12 gates have another symbolic meaning. In John's Gospel, Jesus tells His disciples that He is 'the Gate' to eternal life. Later, Jesus deposited the truths of this Kingdom in the teaching ministry of His disciples and invited them to preach it to all. They in turn become the 'gates' to enter God's Kingdom. Anybody is welcome to the New Jerusalem, the city of God, provided they enter through

the 'gates' proclaimed by His Apostles.

Christian living should become an example for unity. In the first reading of today, the Apostles, through the promptings of the Holy Spirit, toiled to bring about unity in the Church. The division between the Jewish Christians and the Pagan Christians threatened the unity of the early Church. The Apostles came up with a workable solution to bring Christ back into the Church.

What kind of division takes God away from our church, family, or individual life? Let us enter the New Jerusalem of our day – today – living and putting aside all our differences.



"Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him."

PARISH LITURGIES

—SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER—

Tuesday, May 27 - St. Augustine of Canterbury

8:30 am Int. Ornat Family

Wednesday, May 28 - Bl. Margaret Pole

8:30 am + Theresa Clunies

Thursday, May 29 - St. Paul VI

8:30 pm + Tony Halliday

Friday May, 30 - St. Joan of Arc

8:30 am + Guido Bardaro

9:00 am Adoration

— SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD—

Saturday, May 31 - The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

4:00 Reconciliation

5:00 For:

+ Royston & Theresa Clunies, Int Aurelia & Family, Int Rodica & Family, Int Stefania, Int. Elena, Int. Cristian, Int. Luka, Int. Marius, Int. Maria, + Margaret Ormsby, + Jason Richardson,

Sunday, June 01

9:00 am For our

11:00 am Parishioners

Easter Season: April 28 – June 08



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.

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



SANCTUARY LAMP

*Our Sanctuary Lamp will be lit this week:
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Plant Sale

Come to St. Dominic Church, buy a plant or two, and help us raise funds for our "la mesa" Community Table. Plant donations are also greatly appreciated. After all the Masses, drop off plants at St. Dominic's Staff Parking lot from May 24th to June 1st

Plant sale on 7th and 8th
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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

SAINT DOMINIC PARISH ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY



Join us for an evening of fun, fellowship, and fresh air at our Annual Summer Garden Party on Saturday, June 21st (the first day of summer) at 6:30 pm in the Prayer Gardens (west of the parish front entrance). In case of rain, we'll move indoors to the parish hall. This is a free event for all parish members! We ask each

family or participant to bring an appetizer to share. A communal appetizer table will be set up for all to enjoy. Enjoy our Summer Fruit Punch & Fresh Scooped Ice Cream (provided by our Social Committee). There will also be Music, Dancing & Lawn Games. Limited garden seating provided – please bring folding lawn chairs if you can. Come spend a beautiful summer evening under the stars in our lovely prayer gardens!

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER—MAY 25, 2025

Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him and we will come to Him. How will I respond to that love? Am I being called to the priesthood, diaconate, or religious life? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

ACT II (SEPARATED & DIVORCED SUPPORT GROUP) WATERLOO

Our ACT II monthly informal support group will continue to meet on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7:30 pm at St. Michael Parish, Waterloo. With the support of others you can begin to heal the emotional, social and spiritual devastation of divorce. Join us when you can. Visit the website (www.stmichaelw.ca/separated-and-divorced), or contact our Parish office 519-884-9311, or email parish@stmichaelw.ca for more information.

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, May 26	Rev. Melvin Pinto, O.C.D.
Tuesday, May 27	Rev. George Nowak, C.R.
Wednesday, May 21	Seminarians
Thursday, May 22	Rev. Krzysztof Szkubera, C.R.
Friday, May 23	Rev. Henryk Krajewski, C.R.
Saturday, May 24	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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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 5:00 pm 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: stbenedictparish.ca/events

*"Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you."*

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