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— THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA—

Fr. Ranjan D'Sa O.C.D.

We celebrate this weekend the Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica. Whenever we celebrate the dedication of the church, we consider it as the Feast of the Lord. Every church gives us a sacred place to worship God in Christ.

William Barkley, on this topic, renders us a unique observation done by the famous British painter Edward Seago who took with him two young gypsy boys to visit the Cathedral in England. The boys, who were usually boisterous, became absolutely silent the moment they entered the huge Cathedral. Not only were they quiet while they were in the Cathedral, they also kept up their solemn feeling with peaceful silence until the evening. Commenting on the incident, William Barkley wrote: "Instinctive reverence was in their uninstructed hearts."

Every place on this earth is worthy of God's worship. But there are some places where we really feel the presence of God, where we can lift up our hearts and spirits to God with fewer distractions and struggles. When God appeared to Moses through the

burning bush in the wilderness, God instructed Moses to take off the sandals from his feet and said, "*The place where you stand is a holy ground*" (Ex. 3:5). Our Churches, in like manner, are the holy places of God's presence. They are the places of God meeting His people through the holy sacrifice of His Son Jesus Christ.

St. John Lateran Basilica is the first church that was built for Christian worship. It is named as "the mother of all churches". Initially in the place of the Basilica was a beautiful palace that belonged to a famous Laterani family. Later, when the Roman Emperor Constantine became a Christian, he donated the site to the Christians for their worship. Since then, it has become the official church of the Bishop of Rome, the Pope. The Basilica has been rebuilt at least four times. The edifice was destroyed by the Vandals in the 5th century; an earthquake ruined it in the 9th, and it was destroyed by fire in the 14th and the 17th centuries.

Let the celebration of the Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome help us to realize the sacredness of our own local churches, where we regularly come into the presence of our One Holy God. —

PARISH LITURGIES

—THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA—

Tuesday November 11 - St. Martin of Tours

Remembrance Day

8:30 am

+ Jack, Helen & Frank Thornton

Wednesday November 12 - St. Josaphat

No Morning Mass

7:00 pm

Memorial Mass

Thursday November 13 - St. Frances Cabrini

8:30 am

Int. Gervais Attong

Friday November 14 - St. Lawrence O'Toole

8:30 am

+ Frank & Rita Evans

9:00 – 10:00 am

Adoration

—33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—

Saturday November 15 - St. Albert the Great

4:00

Reconciliation

5:00

For:

Int. Maria Gomes & Manuel Pereira,
+ Merrick Family, + Andrew Kosma,
+ Dr. Anthony Amaladoss, + Judith Wiklund,
+ Souls in Purgatory, + Michael DeVita,
+ John Duggan, + Chad Humphrey,

Sunday November 16

9:00 am

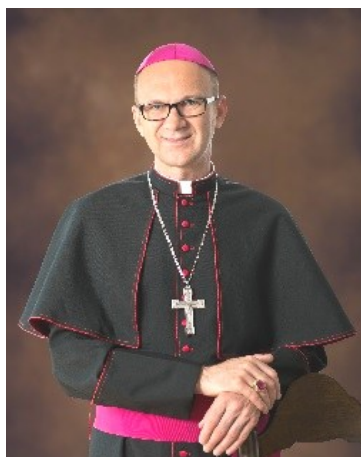
For our

11:00 am

Parishioners



WELCOME MOST REVEREND JOSEPH DABROWSKI C.S.M.A




The Diocese of Hamilton joyfully welcomes the **Most Reverend Joseph Dabrowski, C.S.M.A.**, as the 10th Bishop of Hamilton. Having served as Auxiliary Bishop of London, he knows the area well and has many friends in both London and Hamilton. We look forward to welcoming him for a brief visit mid-month as he begins his transition from Charlottetown to Hamilton, and we pray for him as he prepares to take up his new duties.

SPIRIT OF HOPE COLLECTION

As part of the Jubilee of Hope, the Church calls upon us to care for the poor and has designated the 33rd Sunday and week in Ordinary Time, “Week of the Poor.” In response to this call, the Diocese of Hamilton has graciously forgiven the debts of many poor parishes, enabling them to continue their ministry with greater freedom and joy. Within our parish community, we have many people who need additional help for a decent living. We invite you to place your offering in an envelope marked, “Spirit of Hope Collection,” so that we may bring a renewed spirit of hope to our brothers and sisters who are struggling. The “Spirit of Hope Collection” will be on the weekend of November 29th/30th, 2025.

ST. DOMINIC PARISH -ADVENT EVENING OF LIGHT- MONDAY DECEMBER 08 AT 7:00 PM

St. Dominic CWL and the Social Committee invite all friends and family to celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and the Hour of Grace on Monday, December 8th, 2025 at 7:00 pm, followed by a reception. All are welcome to attend.



SANCTUARY LAMP

Our Sanctuary Lamp will be lit this week for the Intentions of Frank & Rita Evans

CATHOLIC MEN'S GROUP—NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

Join us every Friday morning from 9:00 am – 11:00 am in the Bodner Room for fellowship, faith, and good conversation. Our Catholic Men’s Group is a welcoming community of retired and semi-retired men who gather weekly. If you’re looking for something meaningful to fill your Friday mornings, come by and see what we’re all about.

MEMORIAL MASS

In remembrance of Saint Dominic’s deceased parishioners, a special **Memorial Mass** will be offered on **Wednesday, November 12th at 7:00 pm**. Refreshments will follow. All are welcome!

Prayers will be offered especially for those parishioners whose funerals were celebrated here between November 2024—October 2025. Their names will be displayed on ribbons which will hang from the Memorial Candle in front of the Ambo. They include: **William Anthony O’Neill, Angelo Furlanich, Annie “Mary” Burke, Angela Kyung Chon, Lorraine Marie Vautour, Michael Wilfred Gouthro, Paul Joseph Waters, Anthony Mark Walker, Marilyn Rosemarie Cumming, Patricia Anne Harrington, Angela Elizabeth Constantine, Joan Beatrice Helen Beaudette, Kenneth Fredrick Janisse, Michael Dignam, Alfred Shllaku, Monique Duval, Sharrol Lynn Sprott, Judith Ann Wiklund**

BOOK OF LIFE

We invite you to record names of your deceased family members or friends in our **Book of Life**. All of these people are remembered in each day’s Mass during the month of November.

“I have chosen and consecrated this house, says the Lord, that my name may be there forever.”

CWL UPDATE



It's happening... the Annual CWL Christmas Market on Saturday, November 15, in the Parish Centre from 9 am—2 pm.

A few reminders...

- * Book your appointment for a Christmas-themes photo for you, your family & friends, using this QR Code. 
- * Ordered a poinsettia? It can be picked up at the Market.
- * Donating something sweet or savory to our Food/Bake Table? Drop off your goodies at the Parish Centre on Friday, November 14 between 1-6pm
- * Interested in our Silent Auction? Pick up a list of some of the items at the Church doors this weekend or visit the Parish Centre to see some of the auction items on display.
- * Getting started on your Christmas Shopping? Visit one of the many **Crafters and Vendors**

See you at the Market!



EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION WORKSHOP

In this workshop, participants receive formation in Liturgy, Eucharistic and Ministry, Spiritual Preparation, Diocesan Norms and Guidelines, and an opportunity to practice. It is ideal for those who are new to this ministry and a good refresher for experienced ministers. Participants receive a mandate from the Bishop of Hamilton. The cost is \$35 and includes lunch. The workshop runs from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm Saturday, November 22, 2025, St. Raphael Parish, Burlington. Register through the Diocese of Hamilton website under [Upcoming Events/Workshops](#)

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, November 10	Rev. John Van Hees
Tuesday, November 11	St. Martin of Tours, Bishop Remembrance Day
Wednesday, November 12	Deceased Consecrated Brothers & Sisters
Thursday, November 13	Rev. Nishil Varghese, C.M.I.
Friday, November 14	Rev. Lawrence Parent
Saturday, November 15	Rev. Jonathan Reitzel

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*"The streams make glad the city of God,
the habitation of the Most High."*

15TH ANNUAL HCCEF EVENING WITH BISHOP CROSBY

The Evening with the Bishop of Hamilton is always such a wonderful gathering of the Halton Catholic Community.

Join us in person on November 13, 2025, for an evening of entertainment, stories that will warm your heart, a keynote address by the Bishop of Hamilton, and a few special surprises... and you will be helping to raise much needed funds to help students in need.

For more information about the Evening with the Bishop, please contact Victoria Craig, Executive Director of HCCF – ed@hccf.ca or 905-802-0918.

OAKVILLE PRAYER BREAKFAST

Join us for the 42nd Annual Oakville Prayer Breakfast 2025 on Wednesday, December 3, 2025 at 6:30am at the Oakville Conference Centre, 2515 Wycroft Road, Oakville, L6L 6P8. Our guest speaker is Jeff Neven, CEO of Indwell. The cost is \$40.00. To purchase tickets or for more information, go to oakvilleprayerbreakfast.com



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