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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Becoming Sons and Daughters of God
 —Fr. Ranjan D’Sa O.C.D.

The main purpose of all our striving in life is to live a good and happy life. We study hard and take up several jobs to be successful in life. We invest a lot of our resources in the latest appliances which can bring us comfort. We marry and remarry hoping to have a suitable spouse who will always keep us happy. The rationale behind taking up all sorts of endeavors is that, we think, these things may one day bring happiness and joy to our life.

Though our mundane everyday efforts for happiness may bring us momentary satisfaction, they also bring us an awareness that we cannot attain happiness without working for it. But Jesus, in today’s Gospel tells us that He has a different and probably easier way of attaining happiness in life. Today’s Scripture therefore is easier for those who try to understand what Jesus is teaching.

Can a poor, hungry, mourning, and persecuted person ever be happy in life? The answer is affirmative. These are the people who are defenseless in life. They know that as human beings, they are weak, fragile, and vulnerable and therefore, they need to learn to put their trust in God. The discourse of the beatitudes tells us that in God alone and only in doing His holy will that we will find our true happiness.

When we are in the presence of God, no earthly troubles distract us from living a hap-

py life. When we are in His presence our spiritual poverty makes us hunger for God and His Divine Word. From this state of blessedness, when we look at others who have neglected their spiritual wellbeing and true happiness, we feel sorry or actually mourn for them. Now, knowing well the joy of being saved, we accept any pain to bring peace and justice into the world.

In this process, we finally realize that we have become the sons and daughter of God.



PARISH LITURGIES

—FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—

Tuesday February 03 - St. Blaise

8:30 am + Lawrence Lobsinger

Wednesday February 04

8:30 am + Giancomina Caputi

Thursday February 05 - St. Agatha

8:30 am + Melody Xu

Friday February 06 - St. Paul Miki & Companions

8:30 am + Rosita Laverde

9:00 am Adoration

—FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—

Saturday February 07

4:00 Reconciliation

5:00 For:

+ Rita Evans, + John Duggan, Int. Senra Family, + Dolores Nixon, + Maria & Jose Gomes, + Maria & Manuel Silva, + Mona Wilush, + Natalio De Luca

Sunday February 08

9:00 am For our

11:00 am Parishioners



**INSTALLATION OF THE TENTH BISHOP OF HAMILTON
BISHOP JOSEPH DABROWSKI**

On Monday, February 2, 2026, Bishop Joseph Dabrowski will be installed as the Tenth Bishop of Hamilton at a ceremony at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton. Due to space limitation in the Cathedral Basilica, participation in this event is by invitation only. The celebration will be livestreamed so that the wider diocesan community can participate. The livestream will begin at 10:30am and may be accessed through the Diocese of Hamilton at: www.hamiltondiocese.com. Please keep Bishop Dabrowski and our diocese in your prayers as we mark this joyful and significant occasion.

**UNLOCKING THE SECRETS OF THE
BOOK OF REVELATION**



You are invited to join Fr. Ranjan D'Sa and Dr. Peter Swirzon on a journey into the timeless and mysterious mystical realm of the Book of Revelation where the secrets of God's plan of salvation are revealed in symbols and imagery, in mysterious prophecies and allegorical figures. It promises to be a journey filled with intrigue, puzzling paradoxes and enigmas. Please join us for the remaining 8 Weeks on Wednesday evening from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm in St. Dominic Parish Centre.

Please Note

The session on February 4th will be held in the Church

*"Rejoice and be glad,
for your reward is great in heaven."*

SANCTUARY LAMP



***Our Sanctuary Lamp will be lit this week
In Memory of Edith Bonett***

FIDDLESTIX DINNER & DANCE

Back by popular demand, we welcome back Bronte's favourite local band, Fiddlestix. Tickets are available after Mass in the Narthex. The cost is \$35 per person.

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPER

Our traditional Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper returns on Tuesday, February 17th, 2026! This year's event will once again feature: A "Toppings Bar" with fresh fruit and a variety of delicious toppings.

The return of our Chocolate Fountain – a crowd favourite.

Tickets go on sale the weekend of February 1st. The cost is \$15 per person and \$10 per child.

RAISE A ROOF—JAMAICA—2026

A group of 10 teenagers and their 12 mentors from St Raphael's and St. Dominic's will be going on a Mission Project to build houses in Jamaica during the March Break. On the weekend Masses of February 7th and 8th, they will make an announcement about their Project called "Raise a Roof: Jamaica" and request your donations for this mission project and prayerful support. Thank you

SANCTUARY LAMP

Parishioners are invited to sponsor the Sanctuary Lamp that hangs above the tabernacle. This candle burns 24 hours a day, 7 days a week as a sign of honour to Our Lord. If you wish to sponsor the Sanctuary Lamp for a special intention during a specific week, please contact the parish office. The cost is a \$10 donation per week. Your intention will be noted in our weekly bulletin.

St. Dominic Church PASSION PLAY



We are looking for students in grade 7 to grade 12 - who will perform the Gospel Passion on Friday April 3rd at the 11 am Good Friday Liturgy.

Rehearsals are from 4 to 6 pm: Friday Feb. 13th, Friday Feb 27, Friday March 6th, & Friday March 27th at St. Dominic Parish (Food will be provided)

Please contact Colleen & Claire Gamble at colleengamble123@gmail.com or the Parish Office if interested OR A SCHOOL CHAPLAIN. Volunteer Hours are rewarded!

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HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, February 02	Presentation of the Lord
Tuesday, February 03	Rev. Allen Varlaki
Wednesday, February 04	Missionaries
Thursday, February 05	Rev. Charles Jordan
Friday, February 06	Rev. Ken Miskiewicz
Saturday, February 07	Rev. Florian Stasinski, C.R.

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SPEAKING SYNOLOGY

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis invites you to join our three-part workshop series on Synodality and its applications in local parish settings. This seminar is encouraged for those involved in parish councils, pastoral planning, and leadership at all levels of Catholic community living. There will be 2 locations for each 3-part session series: Hamilton (with a Zoom option) and, Guelph. Registration and further details can be found here: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/>

*"Blessed are the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!"*

THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS



Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2026? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Dabrowski and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday,

May 31, 2026 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only – those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance.) Registration is found under Upcoming Events on the home page at hamiltondiocese.com, or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

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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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