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## **–EASTER SUNDAY– THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD** *–Most Reverend Joseph Dabrowski, CSMA*

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

*“Peace be with you!”* (Jn 20:19)

With these words, the Risen Lord greeted His disciples after His Resurrection. With these same words, He greets us today; quietly, gently, yet with steadfast presence. Into our worries, fears, and uncertainties, Christ comes and stands among us, offering His peace.

This Easter is especially meaningful for me, as it is my first with you as your bishop. I give thanks to God for the gift of being your shepherd and for the grace of celebrating the Resurrection among you. It is a joy to walk with you in faith and to proclaim together that Christ is risen.

This year, our joy is even greater as we welcome an extraordinary number of new Catholics, men and women who, through Baptism, are born into new life in Christ. Their “yes” to the Lord is a powerful witness. It reminds us that the Risen Lord is still calling people, still renewing lives, still making all things new.

The peace He offers is not like the peace the world gives (Jn 14:27). It is not fragile or

passing, but a gift that takes root within us and transforms us, so that we may become witnesses of hope. As Saint Paul reminds us, “If Christ has not been raised, your faith is in vain” (1 Cor 15:17). But Christ is risen and this changes everything.

Easter invites us not so much to understand everything, but to trust and believe. Like the first disciples, we may not always recognize Him right away. Yet through prayer, His Word, and the Eucharist, we discover that He is already with us, calling us by name and walking beside us and slowly, His peace fills our hearts. It changes how we see others, how we respond to difficulties, and how we live each day. We become, in quiet but real ways, witnesses of His presence, bringing patience where there is tension, kindness where there is hurt, and light where there is darkness. Our world deeply needs this peace: the faithful presence of those who know that Christ is alive. Each of us is called to carry this peace into our families and communities.

May this Easter renew in us faith that Christ is truly Risen, that He is with us, and that His love is stronger than anything we may face.

I wish you a blessed and joyful Easter!

Most Reverend Joseph Dabrowski, CSMA  
*Bishop of Hamilton*

## PARISH LITURGIES

### —EASTER—THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD—

#### **Tuesday April 07**

8:30 am + Frank Flynn & John Thornton

#### **Wednesday April 08**

8:30 am + Natale DeLuca

#### **Thursday April 09**

8:30 am + Philomena Pereira

#### **Friday April 10**

8:30 am + Alfredo Mancini

#### **Saturday April 11**

4:00 pm Reconciliation

5:00 pm

For:  
+ John Duggan, + Peter Brazolot, + Andrade Family, + Gerald McGraw, Int. Kit & Eddie O’Hara, + Joseph Lia, + Pereira & Dourado Family, + Leandro Santos, + Art St. Arnault, + Lydia Turczynski

### —THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER— DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

#### **Sunday April 12**

9:00 am

11:00 am



*On behalf of the Carmelite Fathers and the Staff at Saint Dominic Parish, we would like to wish you a Happy and Holy Easter!*

### THE YEAR OF ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

The Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV has proclaimed this to be the “Year of St. Francis of Assisi,” a special Jubilee in celebration of the 800<sup>th</sup> year since the holy death of St. Francis. The Diocese of Hamilton has put together a special webpage in celebration of this moment of faith. Join us in prayer and contemplation as we turn our hearts towards this saint of simplicity, peace, and joyful discipleship. All resources for adults and young people can be found here: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/year-of-st-francis-of-assisi>

### YOUTH MINISTRY CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

We are currently accepting enrollment for the Youth Ministry Certification Program, which begins in September 2026. Join us as we explore the practical strategies for youth ministry and the accompaniment of young people in our diocesan community. To review a full course list and for more information, please visit: [www.hamiltondioceselearns.com](http://www.hamiltondioceselearns.com)

### THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, 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 required and found under Upcoming Events on the home page at [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com) or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249

### CWL NEWS

There is a CWL Meeting on Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Parish Centre. All women of the parish are invited to attend.



### SANCTUARY LAMP

*Our Sanctuary Lamp will be lit this week  
In Memory of Maria Novielli  
for the Intentions of the Riggs-Long Family  
and In Thanksgiving*

### PARENTING TIP

Easter is a special season for the Church, where we remember Jesus’ suffering, but rejoice in his resurrection and the hope it brings to each one of us. When we read simple versions of the Easter story, we offer children a beautiful understanding of what Easter is all about. They will see the Paschal candle at the Church, which is lit at the Easter Vigil Mass, so explain that it represents the light and hope Christ brought to the world. Remind them that Easter eggs (even when chocolate!) are meant to represent new life, just as the resurrection brings new life to all. All of this will help them to understand the liturgical celebrations you attend together and to know how much God loves them.

### ENHANCING SELF-ESTEEM

This program provides the opportunity to increase awareness of yourself and to learn specific skills for building a positive self-esteem. It can help you to feel stronger in all areas of your life. Issues covered during the course include taking responsibility for your own thoughts and feelings, positive ways to behave assertively and setting realistic goals for your future. The program will run Tuesdays from April 6 – June 9 from 7-9 pm and are held at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West Hamilton. The cost is \$35 for materials. Registration online can be found by going to [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com) and looking for the date under Upcoming Events, or by contacting Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or at [familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com)

*“I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia!”*

## WORLD YOUTH DAY SEOUL 2027

The young people of the world have begun their preparations to meet with the Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV at the 41st International Celebration of World Youth Day, Seoul, South Korea. To learn more about this pilgrimage of faith, visit: <https://wydseoul.org/en>. Join us in praying for all young people discerning their participation from our Diocese.



### FLAME FINDERS – YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Ministry Meetings will resume on Tuesday April 14 at 6:30 pm at St. Dominic's School. See you there!

### DID YOU KNOW

Children in our parishes benefit from the Catechetical Correspondence Program each year for ongoing religious education and preparation for the Sacraments. We need volunteers to support the program! If you are will to accompany these children in their learning journey, please reach out to the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis at [catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com). To learn more about the Catechetical Correspondence Program, please visit: <https://bit.ly/DOHCCC>

### WHEN LIFE CHANGES GRIEF PROGRAM

Using Dr. Bill Webster's grief material these programs are intended to help you to understand your grief and provide practical tips and support for helping you through. Part Two (for those who have completed part one). The Ongoing Journey, will be offered at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West on Wednesday evenings from April 8 – May 13 from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. All are welcome. To register, look for the program start date under Upcoming Events on the Diocese home page at [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com) or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, April 06	Rev. Andrew Quarshie
Tuesday, April 07	Rev. Ronald Voisin
Wednesday, April 08	Jesuit Fathers, S.J.
Thursday, April 09	Rev. George Nowak, C.R.
Friday, April 10	Rev. Richard Dordunu
Saturday, April 11	Rev. Donald Sanvido

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## RETREATS 2025



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Queen of the Apostle Renewal Centre is offering retreats for both men and women. The retreat focuses on Adoration, Community, Theology and Service.

Scripture and the teachings of the Catholic Church are the guidelines. The date of the Women's Retreat is April 16-19, 2026 and the date of the Men's Retreat is May 21-24, 2026. For more information and to register, please visit our website at [www.actscanada.org](http://www.actscanada.org)

### VOCATIONS RECOGNITION DINNER 2026

The Serra Club of Hamilton warmly invites you to attend the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Vocations Recognition Dinner on Wednesday, April 29, 2026, at Liuna Station to celebrate the dedicated service of our Priests, Deacons, Religious Brothers and Sisters, and Consecrated Virgins in the Diocese of Hamilton. Milestone anniversaries will be honoured and we will hear the inspiring faith journeys of this years' ordinandi and candidates. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Tickets are \$90 per person. For more information and to order tickets, visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events>

This event is co-sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton.

*"This is the day that the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad."*

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