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–FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER–

Good Shepherd Sunday (Vocations Sunday)

–Fr. Deepak Tauro, OCD

Jesus presents himself as the Mediator between God and men. He is "the door" of the sheepfold. We are not given an immediate encounter with God. We cannot determine how to communicate with him. God reveals himself and gives himself to us through Christ who lives in the Church. We reach communion with him through the instrumentality of the Church in which Christ is present and at work.

Jesus is not only the Mediator of God's revelation and offering of himself to us. He is the very reality of the divine Word that reaches us, enlightens us with faith, transforms us with grace, guides us with his word, his sacraments, and his authority. He is the "door" and the "Shepherd" who "walks before" the sheep.

Jesus, as the Good Shepherd, knows us by name, loves us, and offers his life for us in a love that continues to the end. That is what exactly we acknowledge in the responsorial psalm today: "The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want" (Ps 23). We believers are called to "listen to his voice" and to "follow

him" without conditions. He leads us to the "green pastures." It is the cross, after which, however, comes joy without limits and without end: a joy that also has its anticipations in earthly existence.

This Sunday also being the **Vocations Sunday**, we are invited to pray for the vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life, so that Jesus our Good Shepherd may give us shepherds after his own heart. –



DID YOU KNOW?

Some of the earliest images depicting Jesus were of Him as the Good Shepherd. These are often found in catacombs, at a time when it was illegal to create more explicitly-Christian art. Dating back to the 2nd century, these images give us an insight into the culture and faith of the early Christians.

PARISH LITURGIES

–THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER–

Tuesday April 28 - *St. Peter Chanel &*

St. Louis de Montfort

8:30 am + Stan Brozny

Wednesday April 29 - *St. Catherine of Siena*

8:30 am + Salvatrice Angeloni

Thursday April 30 - *Ste. Marie de l'Incarnation*

8:30 am Int. Gamble Family

Friday May 01 - *St. Joseph the Worker*

8:30 am + Myung Sae Lee

–THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER–

Saturday May 02 - *St. Athanasius*

4:00 pm Reconciliation

5:00 pm For:

+ Bernice Duggan, In Thanksgiving

Sunday May 03

9:00 am For our

11:00 am Parishioners

O God, by the humility of Your Son, You have raised up a fallen world; to Your faithful people give a lasting joy so that those whom You have rescued from the danger of eternal death may enjoy endless happiness. Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. Alleluia!



WELCOME, FATHER KEVIN FERNANDES O.C.D.



Reverend Kevin Fernandes, OCD, has been appointed Associate Pastor of Saint Dominic Parish for the period of April 1 through June 30. This is Fr. Kevin's second Ontario assignment. Last summer he covered vacation time for the pastor of Saint Patrick Church in Burlington.

Born in 1983 in the state of Karnataka, India near Mangaluru. Fr. Kevin and his twin brother are the youngest of five children in

the Fernandes family.

Fr. Kevin entered a Carmelite Monastery in Goa, India in 2001. He was ordained a priest on April 17, 2025.

After his ordination, Fr. Kevin was posted to Pune, Maharashtra, until 2017 when he was moved to the Mount Carmel School in Belur, Karnataka. Following this assignment, he was involved in social work projects.

Fr. Kevin came to Canada on the 4th of November 2022, to the Edmonton Carmelite Monastery in Edmonton, AB. Since that time, he has been engaged in the work of the Mount Carmel Spirituality

ROSES FOR MOTHER'S DAY

It is that time again! As we will be honouring the Mothers in our lives on Mother's Day (the weekend of May 9th/10th), the ladies of the CWL will be at each of our Church entrances selling roses. Please remember to bring your loonies and toonies to buy a rose or 2 or 3, to give to your favourite Mother. All proceeds will be donated to pro-life charities, Shifra Homes and Halton Alive.

*"I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and my own know me."*

SANCTUARY LAMP



*Our Sanctuary Lamp will be lit this week
In Memory of Salvatrice Angeloni*

AN INVITATION FROM THE CWL & THE YOUNG VINCENTIANS – BABY SHOWER



You are invited to join us for the Annual Shifra Baby Shower on Sunday May 3rd, at 12 noon. Co-hosted by the Young Vincentians and the Catholic Women's League, this year's Shower promises to be particularly special as we will be joined by Joanne Matters, wife of Shifra Homes

Founder, the late Deacon Randy Matters.

The "price" of admission is an unwrapped baby gift or donation. If you are planning to attend, please be sure to pick up a complimentary ticket which will be available at each of the Church entrances after every Mass this weekend.

We are grateful for your continued generosity and support and look forward to seeing many of you on **Sunday, May 3rd at noon.**

TRIVIA NIGHT 2026



It's time to show off your trivia skills. Our annual parish Trivia Night is happening Friday, May 8th, 2026. Start time is 7:00 pm in the parish centre. Join the fun, as we challenge the teams gathered with a variety of new questions from a wide selection of categories. Tickets will be on sale following each Mass the weekends of April 25th/26th and May 2nd/3rd. Join as an individual, couple or build your own team of 8 players. The Champion Team will have all members names engraved on our parish Trivia Champions Trophy.

MARCH FOR LIFE

The 29th National March for Life will be held on Thursday, May 14, 2026, in Ottawa. This year's theme, "Follow me," is an invitation for all to bear witness to the dignity of life through a visible presence on Parliament Hill. For information about local bus trips, please contact your local Right to Life Office. Additional details can be found at: marchforlife.ca/buses

MARRIAGE TIP

All people have busy times in their lives when they seem to need more hours in a day than the actual twenty-four hours allows! It is essential then that we stop long enough to ask ourselves what really matters to us and then to ensure we adjust our schedules accordingly. A spouse should not be on the short end of receiving your time and attention (nor should your family). Set up a date night regularly, be sure to eat at least one meal (even if it is early morning breakfast) together most days, take time to pray together and attend Church together. Life is hectic but sacrificing time with the one you love will not help you get more done, it will only help distance you from the one you need most.

MIRACLE OF THE SUN IN FATIMA: PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE, SPAIN AND PORTUGAL

Join Father Wilson from Oct. 2–14, 2026, for a 13-day pilgrimage to Notre Dame Cathedral, Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Chapel, St. Vincent de Paul Church, Basilicas in Lourdes, Zaragoza, Madrid, Avila, Burgos, Santiago De Compostela, and Fatima. Price: \$5340 per person. For more information, please contact Lin T. at International Tours 416-837-9306 or at <https://www.ihotours.com/tour/pilgrimage-to-france-spain-portugal-11>

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: wydseoul.org

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday, April 27	Rev. Robert Kiffman
Tuesday, April 28	Rev. Francis Noronha, C.S.C.
Wednesday, April 29	Order of St. Augustine, O.S.A. Vocations Recognition Dinner
Thursday, April 30	Rev. Edward Hinsperger
Friday, May 01	Rev. Michael King St. Joseph – The Worker
Saturday, May 02	Rev. Gary Schlack

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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 required and found under Upcoming Events on the home page at hamiltondiocese.com or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249

RESTART: REFRESH, RENEW, REVIVE SUPPORT GROUP

Struggling after divorce or separation? Join us for learning, support and fun on Friday evenings. It is held that 2nd & 3rd Fridays of each month. These get-togethers offer continual support and insights for people as they journey through the divorce/separation process and beyond. To register, please contact Sarah at: familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com or 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL TRAINING DAY

The Office for Youth Ministry and the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis warmly welcome all VBS coordinators and youth leaders to a day of formation and training on Saturday, May 9th, 2026. For more information, contact: youthministry@hamiltondiocese.com

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