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EGO SUM VIA VERITAS ET VITA

## -FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### I Am the Way, the Truth and the Life

-Fr. Deepak Tauro, OCD

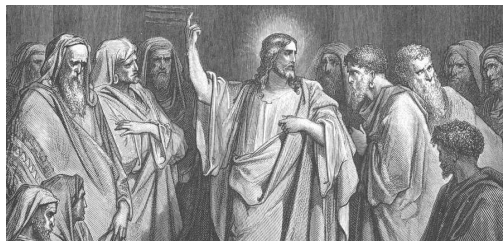
The last words spoken at the end of life have a special character. They sum up the mystery of a being. Plato, in his "Dialogues" has his teacher Socrates speak of immortality before dying. The condemned man consoles those who remain by emphasizing the immortality of the soul. Last words can also be very pragmatic. Some exhort their children to support one another. The patriarchs of the Bible die blessing their descendants.

This Sunday in our Gospel too we have the last words: *"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places... And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be."*

Don't read these words as a well-constructed and coherent speech. Imagine pauses. Rather, consider them as words spoken in profound silence, as words addressed to imprisoned men, "all ears," in some way. We might listen to them as one listens to a drop of water falling into a cave. The listener must be absolutely silent to let these words sink

in. If we truly listen, we hear words of consolation: "Do not let your hearts be troubled." We hear words of hope: *"In my Father's house there are many dwelling places."* We hear words of majesty: *"I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."* We hear words of demanding vocation: *"Whoever believes in me will do the works that I do."*

It is not easy for us to immediately understand these words. The disciples who interrupt the Lord ask confused questions. They have not yet understood, yet it is already time to say goodbye. Will we be able to understand better? –



## 5th SUNDAY OF EASTER PRAYER

*O God, who makes the minds of the faithful to be of one will, grant that Your people may love whatever You command and desire whatever You promise; then in spite of the changing fortunes of this world, our hearts will be set where true joys are to be found. Through Christ our Lord. Amen. Alleluia!*

## PARISH LITURGIES

### —THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER—

**Tuesday May 05** - *St. Hilary of Arles*

8:30 am + Michael John Aladin

**Wednesday May 06** - *St. Francois de Laval*

8:30 am + Bonifacia Casuga

**Thursday May 07** - *Bl. Michael Ulumbijski*

8:30 am + Natale DeLuca

**Friday May 08** - *Bl. Catherine of St. Augustine*

8:30 am + Julian Martinez de Hoz  
NO ADORATION

### —THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER—

**Saturday May 09** - *Bl. Theresa of Jesus Gerhardinger*

4:00 pm Reconciliation

5:00 pm For:  
+ Maria & Manuel Silva, + Maria & Jose Gomes, + Janis Leslie, + Bernice Duggan, + Mansell Family, Int. Kit & Eddie O'Hara

**Sunday May 10**

9:00 am For our  
11:00 am Parishioners

*This week, we celebrate the feast days of one Canadian saint and two Canadian blessed... do you know which ones?*



### TRIVIA NIGHT 2026



It's time to show off your trivia skills. Our annual parish Trivia Night is happening Friday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 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 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> and May 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>. 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.

### 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 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>), 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.

### MARCH FOR LIFE

The 29<sup>th</sup> 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](http://marchforlife.ca/buses)

*"I am the way, the truth, and the life,  
says the Lord; no one come to the Father  
except through me"*

### SANCTUARY LAMP



*Our Sanctuary Lamp will be lit this week  
In Memory of Sybil O'Leary  
and In Memory of Travis Lopes*

### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Please join us at our monthly general meeting on Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the church for the rosary, homily and blessing from Deacon Terry Murphy.

Brief Overview: Belgium's 15-year experiment with euthanasia has gone terribly wrong. This film is a dire warning for the rest of the world. The Euthanasia Deception is a one-hour documentary featuring powerful testimonies from Belgium and beyond—of those devastated by the false ideology of 'mercy killing.'

Coffee & snacks available. All are welcome! (even men.)

### PLEASE REMEMBER, IN YOUR PRAYERS, OUR CHILDREN PREPARING FOR FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION



First Communions will occur during regular Sunday Masses, beginning May 9<sup>th</sup> to May 24<sup>th</sup>

Confirmation Liturgies will be held on

Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup>  
for St Nicholas School,  
and Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>  
for Saint Dominic School  
(both at 7:00 pm in the church)



## THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Time is running out to register to join Bishop Joseph Dabrowski in celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th 60th or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in 2026. The Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held on Sunday, May 31 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 on 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

## WORLD YOUTH DAY SEOUL 2027

Bishop Dabrowski is sending a delegation of young adults (aged 18-35) to World Youth Day in the summer of 2027 in Seoul, South Korea. World Youth Day (WYD) is the gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope. It is also a pilgrimage, a celebration of youth, an expression of the universal Church and an intense moment of evangelization for the world. For more information about WYD and how to join our delegation please visit: [wyd.hamiltondiocese.com](http://wyd.hamiltondiocese.com)

## 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.hamiltondiocesearns.com](http://www.hamiltondiocesearns.com)

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL TRAINING DAY

The Office for Youth Ministry and the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis warmly welcomes all VBS coordinators and youth leaders to a day of formation and training on Saturday, May 9th, 2026. For more information and to register please visit: <http://bit.ly/419nh7w> or [youthministry@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:youthministry@hamiltondiocese.com).

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, May 04	Rev. Bradley Markus
Tuesday, May 05	Rev. Malcolm Katzenberger.
Wednesday, May 06	Congregation of the Resurrection, C.R.
Thursday, May 07	Rev. Khalid Karomi
Friday, May 08	Rev. David Reitzel
Saturday, May 09	Rev. Joe S. Selvanayagam

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## THE NATIONAL WEEK FOR FAMILY AND LIFE

Sunday, May 10 to Sunday May 17, 2026, with the theme “I am with you always.” (Matthew 29:20) Families are encouraged to take time during this week to celebrate their families, express gratitude, offer forgiveness, and/or share meaningful moments with loved ones across generation. This week is an opportunity to uphold the value of life and to live out our calling to love one another within our homes, communities, and the world. Resources can be found on the Hamilton Diocese website. Watch the video celebrating the week as a family here: [tinyurl.com/3ncwv9cz](http://tinyurl.com/3ncwv9cz)

## PARENTING TIP #179

Family creates the foundation on which children will build the rest of their lives. Parents are both leaders and models, so children will learn fundamental skills, including relationship skills, from their families. Parents must reflect on whether the lessons they are modelling for their children are ones that will serve them well in their adult lives. Important to parent’s role is building within their children a foundation of faith by engaging in prayer, attending mass, reading the Bible as a family and taking part in acts of service. This development of faith will help guide children’s actions as they become more independent. It will also ensure they understand that God is always with them.

*“Let your love be upon us Lord,  
even as we hope in you.”*

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