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## —PENTECOST SUNDAY—

—Fr. Kevin Fernandes O.C.D.

Today we celebrate Pentecost — the day the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples like a rushing wind and tongues of fire. It is often called the *birthday of the Church*, but it is also the celebration of God’s Spirit alive and active in us today.

In the Acts of the Apostles, we hear how the disciples were gathered in one place, still uncertain about their future. Then, suddenly, the Spirit filled the room, and they began to speak in different languages. People from every nation could understand them. This was no accident — it was God’s way of showing that the Gospel is for *everyone*, without exception.

Pentecost is not just a story from the past. It is a living reality. The same Spirit that transformed fearful disciples into bold witnesses is the Spirit that moves in our lives now.

The Spirit comes to:

- Renew our hearts when we feel weary.
- Unite us when the world feels divided.
- Send us out when we are tempted to stay comfortable.

The fire of Pentecost is not meant to be ad-

mired from a distance — it is meant to burn within us. It calls us to speak words of hope, to act with compassion, and to stand for justice. It invites us to see diversity not as a challenge, but as a gift — a reflection of God’s own creativity.

So today, let us open ourselves to the Spirit’s movement. Let us pray for the courage to be guided not by fear or self-interest, but by love. Let us be willing to step out of our safe spaces and into the world, carrying the Good News in both our words and our actions.

May the Spirit that came at Pentecost breathe new life into our faith, our families, and our communities. And may we, like those first disciples, be set on fire — not to destroy, but to illuminate the world with the light of Christ.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love.—

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS, OUR CHILDREN RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Communions will occur during regular Sunday Masses until May 24<sup>th</sup>

## PARISH LITURGIES

### —PENTECOST SUNDAY—

*World Day of Prayer for the Church in China*

*Season of Easter Ends*

#### Tuesday May 26 - St. Philip Neri

8:30 am Int. Fr. Ranjan D’Sa OCD

#### Wednesday May 27 - St. Augustine of Canterbury

8:30 am + Tony Halliday

#### Thursday May 28 - Bl. Margaret Pole

8:30 am + Theresa Clunies

#### Friday May 29 - Pope St. Paul VI

8:30 am + Guido Bardaro

9:00 – 10:00 am Adoration

### —THE MOST HOLY TRINITY—

#### Saturday May 30 - St. Joan of Arc

4:00 pm Reconciliation

5:00 pm For:

+ Angela & Guido Parise, + John Meyerstein, + Bernice Duggan, + James Doyle

#### Sunday May 31

9:00 am For our

11:00 am Parishioners



### ANNUAL GARDEN PARTY

Join us for an evening of fun, fellowship and fresh air at our Annual Summer Garden Party on Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the Prayer Gardens (west of the parish front entrance). This is a free event. More details to follow in the coming weeks.

### JOIN THE ORDER OF HOLY GARDENERS

Did you know that the parish gardens are maintained solely by volunteers? These generous souls dedicate a few hours each month to help plan, plant, weed and water to make our parish look beautiful.

If you would like to join, come see us at our first meeting of the year, on Saturday May 30 at 10:00 am, or email Peter at [ohg@saintdominic.ca](mailto:ohg@saintdominic.ca) for more details.

### BRONTE COAT DRIVE

Do you have any coats or jackets that are too small or no longer needed? It's that time again when we begin collecting winter apparel for our annual Bronte Coat Drive!

We are looking for gently used outerwear including coats, hats, gloves, scarves, and boots — sizes ranging from toddlers to adults. Please bring your donated items with you when attending Mass on the weekend and place them by the big red collection box in the Narthex.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated by the individuals and families who will be shopping at our Coat Drive in October. Thank you for helping keep our community warm this winter!

### RESTART: REFRESH, RENEW, REVIV SUPPORT GROUP

Struggling after divorce or separation? Join us for learning, support and fun on Friday evenings, held the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month. These get-togethers offer continual support and insights for people as they journey through the divorce and separation process and beyond. For more information, please contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249. We look forward to seeing you!

### SANCTUARY LAMP



*Our Sanctuary Lamp will be lit this week  
In Memory of Theresa Clunies and  
for the Intentions of Fr. Ranjan D'Sa O.C.D.*

### 9-DAY DIVINE MERCY NOVENA



A 9-Day Divine Mercy Novena for the Intentions of Fr. Ranjan D'Sa, and all involved, will be held here at Saint Dominic parish, at 7:00 pm daily commencing Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> through June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026. Let us come together to show our love and support in prayer. Information about the novena is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex and at all door entrances.

### THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Time is running out to register to join Bishop Joseph Dabrowski in celebrating your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> 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. 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.

### 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)

*"Lord, send forth your Spirit,  
and renew the face of the earth."*

## NURTURING CULTURES OF CARE & ACCOMPANIMENT

There will be one more Wednesday evening talk at Saint Andrews Parish Centre at 41 Reynolds Street, Oakville. On this evening, Amanda Achtman of Canadian Physicians for Life will be the guest speaker.

**Wednesday, May 27, 2026 – 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm**

**Fostering a Culture of Care** – Amanda Achtman, pro-life advocate and renowned speaker, will share her hopes for Canada and beyond through her project, Dying to Meet You. The evening will focus reflection on the importance of fostering a Culture of Care in our Parishes through using our charisms to take action.

## YOUNG ADULT NIGHT

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of vocations. The Young Adults Night will take place on Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup> at the Saint Clement Church (745 Duke Street, Cambridge, ON). This event is sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations>. For more information, please contact: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

## FRASSATI LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

Calling all those entering Grade 10 in September 2026! Are you looking to grow in your faith? Do you want to explore what it means to be a Catholic leader? The Frassati leadership Program may be for you. Join other Grade 10 Catholic leaders as we reflect on the foundation of Catholic Leadership and foster opportunities for you to grow in your own faith and leadership skills. For more information and to register, please visit: [hamiltondiocese.com/office/pastoral-offices/youth-ministry/frassati](https://hamiltondiocese.com/office/pastoral-offices/youth-ministry/frassati)

*“Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.”*

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, May 25	Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
Tuesday, May 26	Rev. Melvin Pinto, O.C.D.
Wednesday, May 27	Sisters Adorers of the Precious Blood, R.P.B.
Thursday, May 28	Rev. Msgr. Edward Sheridan
Friday, May 29	Rev. David Lewis
Saturday, May 30	Rev. Sunil D’Souza, O.C.D.

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## PARENTING TIP #179

Family created 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.

## REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL

Join us on **May 28, 2026 7:00—9:00 PM** for our last screening of the season with **War for the Woods**. The film follows journalist Stephanie Kwetasel’wet Wood as she underscores the impact of clearcut logging and the devastation of old growth forests. Clayoquot Sound, B.C., the site of protests against clearcut logging 30 years ago, serves as the backdrop as the film explores how First Nations and environmentalists are again taking a stand to balance environmental stewardship with economic needs, as protecting these ancient forests becomes ever more complicated. **The screening and discussion will be hosted online via Zoom. Register at: [hamiltondiocese.com/reel-justice-film-festival](https://hamiltondiocese.com/reel-justice-film-festival)** A partnership between the Bishop Farrel Library & Archives and Development and Peace, the Reel Justice Film Festival shines a spotlight on issues of social, political, and economic injustices.

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