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21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Adapted from the writings of
St. Francis de Sales*

In today's Gospel we experience Peter firmly identifying Jesus as the "Christ, the Son of the living God." Peter shows us that holiness does not mean never failing. Although he was deeply devoted to Jesus, he was also impulsive, fearful, and imperfect - even denying Christ. Yet Jesus did not reject him because Peter remained willing to repent, change, and trust again.

St. Francis de Sales has much to say about St. Peter: God does not always choose the holiest to govern and to serve in His Church. Our Lord chose Peter as Chief of the Apostles even though he was subject to many imperfections. Peter, filled with much zeal, was apt to be impetuous. While he followed our Savior with his whole heart, he stumbled many times after his initial calling. He boasted that he would never abandon Our Lord. Yet, he found himself cursing Him and saying that he never knew Him. That pierced our Lord's heart!

Yet, Our Lord did not reject Peter, since He was sure that St. Peter had a strong and constant determination to correct himself. Peter ought to have relied on Our Lord's power than to trust in the fervor

that he felt. Peter's natural disposition to cater to his feelings and desires was in part the cause of his lapses. When we experience certain lapses in our on-going conversion, we must not abandon our quest for holiness. Like Peter, let us have a strong and constant determination to take the measures needed to correct ourselves. Then we too will receive special favors and blessings on earth and in heaven.



What a great reason to anchor our hope and confidence completely in Our Lord! For even after spending one's life in horrible crimes and iniquities, one can find forgiveness when one returns to the Source of our Redemption, Christ. We must not listen to the voice that tells us that our faults are unpardonable. We must say boldly that our God died for all. No matter how ungodly one is, he or she will find redemption in our Savior. Let us consider with what patience our divine Savior awaits those who reject Him. Then like Peter, we may say, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God," our Redeemer.

PARISH LITURGIES

—21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—

Tuesday August 25 *St. Louis & St Joseph Calasanz*

8:30 am + Ernest & Sybil Aubut

Wednesday August 26

8:30 am Int. Fr. Ranjan D'Sa O.C.D.

Thursday August 27 *St. Monica*

8:30 am + Mariat Miguel Silveira

Friday August 28 *St. Augustine*

8:30 am + Guido Bardaro

9:00 am Eucharistic Adoration

—22TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—

Saturday August 29 *The Passion of St. John the Baptist*

4:00 pm Reconciliation

5:00 pm For:

+ Bernice Duggan, + Kissoo Kim, + Kun Sung Kim, + Joseph Kim, + Monica Bun, + Thomas Myoung, + Maria Im, + Anna Kim, + Romeo & Louise Godin, + Yvonne Godin, + Cyril Nair

Sunday August 30

9:00 am For our

11:00 am Parishioners



WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS!

A special welcome to all new parishioners! We pray that you will feel welcome in our community and that your spirits will be nourished each week at the Eucharist. Be sure to introduce yourself to Father Rohan Miranda and complete a registration form, which you will find at all entrances of the church.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Through our parish Adult Initiation Team, an opportunity is provided for adults to explore the Christian Faith as it is expressed in our Catholic community. Persons who have not been baptized are invited to embark on a journey of faith with members of our parish. Through participation at our regular celebrations of the Sunday Eucharist and additional weekly gatherings for several months, we welcome new members into our Church. Persons who have been baptized in other Christian churches, and who have not had much formal religious education are invited to join the non-baptized on this journey. Those who are already baptized and have been formed into the Christian way of life (and perhaps have been accompanying their Catholic spouse to Sunday Mass for some time) are invited to speak to Father Rohan Miranda or to the parish office regarding the nature of preparation that is required for reception into the full communion of the Catholic Church.

YOUTH MINISTER'S RETREAT SAVE THE DATE!

We are inviting all youth ministers, youth ministry coordinators and leaders in youth ministry, to join us for our annual retreat on September 19 at Mount Mary Retreat Centre in Ancaster. More information and how to register will be shared as soon as possible. In the meantime, if you are interested in attending or have any questions, please reach out to us: youthministry@hamiltondiocese.com

*"You are Peter, and on this rock
I will build my Church; the gates of Hades
will not prevail against it."*

SANCTUARY LAMP



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

HEALING SERVICE AT ST RAPHAEL CHURCH

On September 6, from 5pm to 8 pm, at St. Raphael Church, 4072 New Street, Burlington, we are blessed to celebrate the Healing Service. We will begin with



the Rosary Procession, Holy Mass, followed by the Healing Service with individual prayers and testimonies. Fr. Ivo Pavic, OFM, a Franciscan friar who led many transformative healing services across Europe, the Americas and Asia, will be leading the healing service with the call for spiritual renewal and divine grace. Please spread the message to all, so that many faithful can come and join for this beautiful service in our church community. If you need more information, please call the office: 905-637-2346 <https://straphaels.ca> or contact the sponsor: Ave Maria Centre of Peace Ph. 416-251-4245.

CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS CONFERENCE 2026

The Young Adults are organizing the annual Conference on Saturday, September 19th at St. Raphael Parish from 9:30am to 7:00pm. During the conference we will have spiritual talks, praise and worship band, Art Booths, Adoration, confession and Thanksgiving Mass with Bishop Wayne Lobsinger. The theme for the conference will be "I am the light of the world, he who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light." (John 8:12) We encourage all the young adults (singles and married) ages 19 to 40 years to join in for this conference. Price is \$25.00. Please spread the word and encourage young adults to join for a spiritual renewal experience. For more information, please visit our website: Catholic Youth Adult Conference.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

Pre-Authorized Giving allows you to give to our Parish through scheduled weekly or monthly transfers from your bank account. This helps to ensure regular, dependable contributions to our Parish. Giving generously, faithfully, and sacrificially not only enables our Parish to fulfill the mission of the Church, but is also brings about another important transformation - that which takes place within the heart of the one who gives. In this way, God - who is never outdone in generosity - brings to life the beautiful words of the Prayer of St. Francis: "for it is in giving that we receive." For more information, or to enroll, please contact the Parish Office or pick up a Pre-Authorized Giving Form at the entrances of the Church.

VOCATIONS

"For who has known the mind of the Lord?" Sometimes our mind is not necessarily the mind of the Lord. If God is calling you to serve as a priest, deacon, sister or brother, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. email: vocations@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.hamiltondioceselearns.com

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Struggling After an Abortion? Either your own, or someone else's? do you feel alone, emotional, or angry and in need of support? Project Rachel is available to help. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, to find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, August 24	Rev. Lourdasamy Subramani, SMA
Tuesday, August 25	Rev. Michael Anderson
Wednesday, August 26	Missionary Sisters of Christ the King, M.ChR
Thursday, August 27	Rev. Patrick Ohl
Friday, August 28	Rev. Laszlo Amaszka
Saturday, August 29	<i>The Passion of St. John the Baptist</i>

BRONTE COAT DRIVE



Do you have coats or jackets that no longer fit or are no longer needed? Our annual Bronte Coat Drive is now collecting gently used winter outerwear for toddlers through adults, including coats, hats, gloves,

scarves, and boots.

Please bring donations with you to weekend Mass and place them in the large red collection box in the Narthex.

Your generosity helps individuals and families shop for warm winter clothing at our October Coat Drive. Thank you for helping keep our community warm this winter!

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

The expression "the family that prays together stays together" is one that most people have heard. Popular sayings make sense when we see the truth in them, but this one is backed up by research! When we pray together at home (before meals, before bed, in the morning) and attend Mass, we are connecting on a deep level that helps a family have increased unity. So, enjoy the more relaxed summer days and holidays, but don't let prayer and attending Mass take a holiday because their benefits are a wonderful addition to this great season!

*"Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.
Do not forsake the work of your hands."*

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