



Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



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March 31 – April 3, 2026

Tuesday Stations	7:00 pm 7:30 pm.	+Gabe & Glen Paul +Grace Gillis + Joseph Fulzon
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	+Godwin Muscat
Holy Thursday	7:00 pm.	+ Cecilia Alo
Good Friday	11:00 am. 3:00 pm.	Solemn Good Friday Liturgy

Saturday Multiple Mass Intentions

April 4, 2026

Holy Saturday Vigil	7:30 pm.	+ Teddy Faddies Int of Dino, Kerri, Felicetti +Lynn McKee
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VOCATIONAL PRAYER CALENDAR

March 30 – April 4, 2026

Mon.	Rev. David Mowat, C.R.	Chrim Mass
Tue.	Rev. Gregory Merkley	
Wed.	Oblates of Mary Immaculate, O.M.I.	
Thur.	Holy Thursday - Mass of the Last Supper	
Fri.	The Passion of the Lord	
Sat.	Holy Saturday	

VOCATION VIEW

Passion (Palm) Sunday - March 29, 2026

"Blessed is the one who comes in the Name of the Lord!" Are you being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

SUNDAY FUNNY



REFLECTION

Today's liturgy begins with the commemoration of the triumphant entry of Jesus into the holy city. This year we hear Matthew's account. Its messianic emphasis is clear. The Master's foreknowledge and authority are affirmed. A prophecy of Scripture (a combination of verses from Isaiah and Zechariah) is being fulfilled; but his coming is in humility and peacefulness. The people cry, 'Hosanna to the Son of David'. The first reading from Isaiah invites us to learn from the example of the Saviour, the trust we should have in our Father in heaven, whatever trials we face. But it is something else that makes this reading appropriate on the threshold of Holy Week – with God's true Servant, we must be open to a new meeting with our God in what lies ahead - glad that the Lord 'wakes us to hear, to listen like disciples'.

In the second reading, from the letter to the Philippians – echoing a hymn used in the liturgy of the first generation of the Church – Paul summarises with majestic brevity the drama of the Paschal Mystery we are about to celebrate: Jesus 'emptied himself, sharing our human condition, even to 'accepting death on a cross'; and then, for our sake, he is 'raised high', one with the Father in the glory of the divine name.

Matthew's account of the Lord's passion has the features we have come to associate with this gospel. Faith in Jesus as the messiah has already been clearly affirmed in the description of his entry into Jerusalem; and the ultimate outcome is clearly anticipated: 'After my resurrection, I shall go before you to Galilee'. But the subtlety with which Matthew's account makes an affirmation of faith in the Saviour seems to indicate that he has his Jewish audience in mind. The refrain of fulfilment - as 'the Son of Man goes to his fate' - echoes through the narrative. The titles attributed to Jesus are few, 'the Christ', 'Son of God' and 'Son of Man'. But they are crucial for converts from a Jewish background. The first raises the great issue that confronted the Jewish people. The title, 'Son of God' (which was to become an ultimate expression of the absolute claim of Christian faith) was open-ended to the ears of old Israel, indicating one who has God's special favour. It was the title, 'Son of Man', crucial at the trial of Jesus, that removed all ambiguity. 'You will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power (Yahweh himself)', Jesus declares (referring to Psalm 110), 'and coming on the clouds of heaven', (a reference to Dan 7). 'What need of witnesses have we now!' exclaimed the high priest. The rending of the veil of the Temple and the apocalyptic events in the holy city, are a divine confirmation that, with the Lord's death, the old order has given way to the new. And the centurion's words, 'In truth this was a son of God', are an expression of the Church's newfound faith.

The liturgies of Holy Week will teach us, not with fine oratory, but by recounting the great events in which the generous ways of God found a final expression in our human history. Let this recognition set the tone for our participation in the liturgies of these days.

John Thornhill sm

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CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Our next general meeting will be held on the **evening of Wednesday, April 22, 2026 at 6:30 pm.** Our Lady of Good Counsel to follow (around 7:15pm).

A Mass will be said every month for Catholic Women's League members alternating between CWL intentions and CWL deceased members. The Mass on April 18th @ 5pm will be for the intentions of CWL members.

We are collecting bottle corks for a "Bazaar" craft. If you have any, please bring them to the meeting.

Please remember to wear your name tags to the meetings and if you have a borrowed CWL scarf, please return it.

Come to the meeting a little early for Coffee/Tea and goodies. Take a little time to socialize and get to know your fellow members. We invite you to bring your own mug. (Paper cups will continue to be available).

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- APRIL 29 @ 6:30 – guest speaker from "Community Development Halton" - **open to the parish!**
- MAY 19 @6:30 - Mary Dilly from the "Art of Downsizing" will be speaking to us. - **open to the parish!**
- The Members Annual Meeting and Convention is scheduled to take place the weekend of May 29-31 at the Infinity Convention Centre in Brantford.
- The Diocesan Retreat will be held on November 6-8 at Mt. Carmel in Niagara Falls. More information to come.

****Please let us know if your contact information has changed so we can update our records.****

All women 16 years of age and older are welcome to join the CWL. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Margie 905-815-3008 or Lucy 905-681-9432. All are welcome!



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

As we journey through these final weeks of preparation, we invite our parish family to keep our RCIA candidates in your prayers. Soon, they will receive the Sacraments of Initiation and be fully welcomed into the life of the Church. These are sacred and grace-filled days as they continue their time of discernment, learning, and spiritual growth. May we surround them with our encouragement, support, and heartfelt prayer, asking the Holy Spirit to strengthen them and fill them with peace and joy as they prepare to say "yes" to Christ and His Church. Let us hold them close in prayer as they approach this beautiful and life-changing moment. 🙏

BOTTLE DRIVE FUNDRAISER

The **Knights of Columbus at St. Patrick's Parish** have scheduled their next bottle drive to help support various charities and organizations within our Parish Community.



The next bottle drive will be on **April 11/12** bottle drive Please bring your empty beer bottles and beer/liquor cans, wine bottles, wine tetra boxes, liquor bottles, bladders from boxed wine—anything you paid a deposit on. Please note, pop cans and random glass bottles go in your home recycling bin and cannot be returned for refund.

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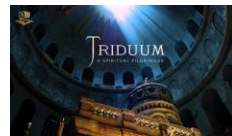
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WHO AM I? To search for the meaning of life, we must first look to ourselves. Who am I? Am I just my body? In this episode, we'll hear from neuroscientists, psychologists, composers, and artists to examine the



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