

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

September 22 - 25, 2026

Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	+ Maria & Gabriel Mancebo + Jose & Carlos Mancebo + Reginald Bodden
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	† Manuel & Sarah Oliveira
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	+ Bill Liston
Friday	8:30 a.m.	+ Joe Felicetti

Saturday Multiple Mass Intentions

September 26, 2026

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	† Deceased Members of CWL † Glenn Paul † Wilf Cadeaux
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VOCATIONAL PRAYER CALENDAR

September 21 - 26, 2026

Mon.	Rev Grayson Hope
Tue.	Rev. John Schnurr
Wed.	Congregation of the Holy Cross, C.S.C.
Thur.	Rev. William Trusz
Fri.	Rev. Francis Chibuzor Ahukwe
Sat.	Rev. David Perrin - <i>Sts. Martyrs Canadiens</i>

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Sept. 20, 2026

“Seek the Lord while he may be found...” While searching, listen; could it be that you are being called to serve as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If God is calling you to consider the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life, call Father John Ha, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

SUNDAY FUNNY

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SUNDAY CONNECTION

GOD GIVES ABUNDANTLY AND EQUALLY

The parable of the workers in the vineyard appears to be an offense to common sense. Those who work a longer day ought to be paid more than those who work just an hour or two. When viewed in this way, the landowner seems unfair. That is because we are reading into the parable our own preconceived notions of how fairness and equality should be quantified. A close read shows us that the landowner paid on the terms that were negotiated. The landowner, it seems, has acted completely justly. The parable goes beyond that, however, and we come to see that the landowner is not simply just, he is exceptionally just. He is radically just. He has given those who labored in the field for a full day their due pay. But he has also given a full-day's wage to those who worked only a single hour. No one is cheated, but a few receive abundantly from the landowner just as we receive from God more than what is merely justifiable or due. God, like the landowner, is radically just and abundantly generous. The workers who complain are made to look foolish as they lament the fact that landowner has made all workers equal. Indeed, what more could one ask for than to be treated as an equal at work or anywhere else? The parable reminds us that although God owes us nothing, he offers abundantly and equally. We are occasionally tempted to think that our own actions deserve more reward, more of God's abundant mercy, than the actions of others. But God's generosity cannot be quantified or partitioned into different amounts for different people. When we think that way, we are trying to relate to God on our terms rather than to accept God's radically different ways.

Fr. Jerome Mascarenhas



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic? The R.C.I.A. program begins at St. Patrick Parish on Sundays after the 11 am Mass. beginning in September 21 @ 6:30 – 8:00 pm Please contact Terri Perruzza, Parish Minister at 905-632-6114 or by email at tperruzza@hamiltondiocese.com

FUNERAL ADULT ALTAR SERVERS

We are in need of a few more Adult Altar Servers to serve at Funeral Masses. Please speak with Father Jerome or call the parish office if you are interested.

SCRIPTURE STUDY

Scripture Study has resumed on Every Tuesday, September 15th, and continues every Tuesday in the Parish Ministry Room at 9:30 am. All are welcome to join. For more information, please contact Catherine Couture catherine.couture@bell.net



THE CATHOLIC FAITH.
ON DEMAND.

We are excited to remind everyone that **our parish offers FREE access to FORMED.org** — an incredible online Catholic resource that has something for **everyone** in the family! **What is FORMED?** FORMED is like a **CATHOLIC NETFLIX**, offering Engaging **videos and movies** for children, teens, and adults Beautiful **sacramental preparation programs** (used in our parish for **First Communion, Youth Group, and Bible Studies**) **Documentaries, audio talks, books, and daily reflections** to help you grow in your faith **How to Use It** It's **completely free** for our parishioners! Access it on your **computer, smartphone, tablet, or smart TV** — anytime, anywhere. Go to www.FORMED.org Click **"Find Your Parish Subscription"** at the top Find our parish name, St. Patrick, **by using the postal code, L7L 4L8, don't forget the space**, and then follow the steps to create your personal account. Whether you're just starting your faith journey or looking to go deeper, FORMED has something for you. Don't miss out on this amazing gift for you and your family!



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

It seems like summer just arrived and here we are starting up again! Firstly, thanks to the choices made by you, the women of St Patrick's CWL at our last meeting, we were able to donate to 9 different charities. We have received thank you notes from them, reminding us that 'Your Voice Matters!' When you help us, we help them!

Get ready to dive into familiar activities or explore new ones. Your presence enriches our collective experience. So, grab a cup of coffee (in your BYO mug, of course, lol) and read on to discover what exciting things we have planned for you!

Our first general meeting is on September 24 at 1pm. We are starting out with a surprise speaker meeting ... not to be missed!

Next mark your calendars for our newly named "Christmas Market" which will be held on November 14 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. etc., etc.!

We are upgrading this year with some very exciting ideas including great crafts coming to you from our talented CWL team, new baked goods, revamped luncheon, and of course, our legendary Silent Auction.

Stay tuned, so much more 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 margiebalfour@hotmail.com or Lucy 905-681-9432 lucy.costa@sympatico.ca **If emailing, PLEASE ensure you copy us both**

MULTICULTURAL MASS All are warmly invited to celebrate the rich cultural diversity of our Diocese at the Multicultural Mass on **Sunday, September 27, 2026, at 3:00 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King**, 700 King St. West, Hamilton. The Mass will be celebrated by The Most Reverend Joseph Dabrowski, C.S.M.A., Bishop of Hamilton, and followed by a multicultural celebration in McNally Hall. All are welcome!

AROUND THE DIOCESE

FALL BOOK CLUB

Into the Heart of Middle-Earth! Step into the rich world of J.R.R. Tolkien and discover how his stories illuminate timeless truths about faith, hope, virtue, and Christian life. Join our book club exploring *Into the Heart of Middle-Earth* by Kaitlyn Facista, together we'll uncover the spiritual themes woven throughout Tolkien's beloved work and reflect on what they can teach us about following Christ today. Registration and information can be found <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2026/07/fall-book-club/>.

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE IN DYING "MAiD"

Creating a Culture of Faith-Based Care in Family and Community on **Wednesdays, September 23, 30, and October 7, from 7:30 – 9:00 pm at St. Michael's Church**, 181 Sewell Dr., Oakville you are all invited to three nights of formation and community engagement on the topics of health advocacy, legal planning, and moral theology as they relate to the subject of "medical assistance in dying" also known as 'MAiD'. In a world filled with disordered values and perspectives on the sacredness of life, these three nights offer the opportunity to dive deeper into our Catholic faith to shed light upon the human and spiritual devastation of "MAiD".

HEARTS RENEWED: A Franciscan Retreat Day As we celebrate the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi during this Jubilee Year dedicated to his witness, you are invited to step away from the demands of ministry and spend a weekend renewing your heart in God's presence. Inspired by the life of St. Francis—whose joyful simplicity, deep love for Christ, and compassionate service transformed the Church—this retreat offers time for prayer, silence, reflection, community, and rest. Together we will rediscover the joy of our baptismal call and be renewed for the work of evangelization and service entrusted to us. Whether you serve in parish ministry, Catholic education, chaplaincy, or diocesan leadership, this retreat is an opportunity to be refreshed spiritually and return to your ministry with renewed hope, peace, and joy. **St. Thomas the Apostle Parish (715 Centre Rd, Waterdown) Saturday, October 3, 2026 9:00 - 3:00 pm.**

Register <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2026/07/hearts-renewed-a-st-francis-retreat-for-those-inministry/>

WALK WITH JESUS: A Retreat Day for Parents Who Have Experienced the Death of a Child The loss of a child is a most challenging event in the life of any parent. This grief is acute and challenging. The Diocese of Hamilton invites you to join us for this healing day. Whether the loss is recent or some time ago, we know this day will help to restore your inner core. **The retreat will be offered from 9 am to 4 pm on Saturday, October 10 or Saturday, November 7th.** The \$20 fee includes lunch. Registration is required for set up and lunch. You can register on the Diocesan home page at hamiltondiocese.com under upcoming events (look for the date of the retreat), or by calling the office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249