



# St. Ann's Parish

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## Welcome and Registration

Welcome to all who worship with us today! May the Lord bless you! If you would like to register with our parish, please fill out a registration form. These can be found at the main entrances. We ask you to inform our office if you are moving out of the parish.

**Memorial Donations:** Please keep our love for the parish alive: When recommending expressions of sympathy, please remember St. Ann Parish.

## Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight – Michael Moss

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## St. Vincent de Paul

Please call the parish office for more information.

## Parish Schools

St. Ann's	905.523.2340
St. Joachim's	905.523.2341
Holy Name of Mary	905.523.2342
Immaculate Conception	905.523.2463
Bishop Tonnos Secondary	902.523.2331

## The Lord's Day Masses

Saturday 5:00p.m.; Sunday 9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

## Weekday Mass

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday—Friday 8:00 a.m.

## Reconciliation

Tuesday 6:15 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.

Saturday 4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

## Eucharistic Adoration

Friday 8:30 a.m.—9:15 a.m.

## Parish Office Hours

Monday to Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Friday 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

## Baptism

Please call the parish office. Six weeks notice is usually requested.

## Marriage

You are asked to call the parish office to make wedding arrangements at least six months in advance.

## Anointing of the Sick

Upon request. Please call the parish office.

## Catholic Funeral Rites

When a death occurs in your family, please call the parish office and we will assist you in making the necessary liturgical arrangements.

## Fifth Sunday of Lent

### Mass Intentions Fifth Sunday of Lent (March 26, 2023)

#### Tuesday, March 28

7:00p.m. † Paul Hurley  
† Mark Warnick  
† Tommaso & Italina DeLuca  
† Alice Arnold  
Intentions of Colin & Deanne Day

#### Wednesday, March 29

8:00a.m. † Deceased members of the Castelino & Tellis Families

#### Thursday, March 30

8:00a.m. Intentions of the Pinto Family

#### Friday, March 31

8:00a.m. Intentions of Kevin & Mary Dunn

#### Saturday, April 1

5:00p.m. † Florence Marasco  
† Jerry Trychta  
† Hannah Rodowicki  
† Wayne Hannon Sr.  
† Stan & Maria Filice

### Diocesan Prayer Calendar Week of the March 26, 2023

This week we especially pray for:

Monday	Very Rev. Stephen Murrin
Tuesday	Rev. Kevin D'Souza
Wednesday	Sisters of St. Joseph of Canada (C.S.J.)
Thursday	Rev. Andrew Czarny
Friday	Rev. Msgr. Martin Vallely
Saturday	Rev. Michael King

God, the source of creation and love, You invite each of us to serve You through the life which is your gift. May Your grace encourage men and women to heights of holiness through service to the Church as priests, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen



## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Please find below the Confession and Mass schedule for Holy Week.

Please note, registration will not be required for any of the Masses.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Each Friday evening of Lent there will be Stations of the Cross at 7pm.

### CONFESSIONS

Every Tuesday	6:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.
Every Saturday	4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.
Thursday March 30	6:30 p.m. until finished

### PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD : APRIL 2<sup>ND</sup>

Saturday	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.

### HOLY THURSDAY – MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER: APRIL 6<sup>TH</sup>

7:00 p.m.

Adoration until 10:00 p.m. in the Parish Centre

### GOOD FRIDAY – THE PASSION OF OUR LORD: APRIL 7<sup>TH</sup>

Solemn Liturgy	11:00 a.m.
Solemn Liturgy	3:00 p.m.

### HOLY SATURDAY – RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD: APRIL 8<sup>TH</sup>

<i>Blessing of Easter Food Baskets</i>	9:30 a.m.
Easter Vigil	8:00 p.m.

### EASTER SUNDAY - RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD: APRIL 9<sup>TH</sup>

9:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m.

**ST. ANN, PRAY FOR US**

## THANK YOU - BEQUEST

Thanks to the profound generosity of a donor, our Parish has received a gift in the amount of \$50,000. This gift is part of a significant bequest left to the Diocese of Hamilton by a parishioner whose intent was to support Parishes and charities within the greater Hamilton area. This transformational gift will provide much-needed funds over the next ten years – a profound testament to what is possible through the generosity of legacy giving. Have you ever considered an estate gift to the Church in your Will? For more information, please call 905-528-7988 ext. 2251 or email [give@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:give@hamiltondiocese.com)



## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

There will be a St. Vincent de Paul Society collection at the exit doors of the church next weekend, April 1 & 2. Your continued generosity is greatly appreciated in supporting our mission to serve the poor.

## EVENINGS WITH HIS EXCELLENCY

The next “Evenings with His Excellency” will be on Friday April 14 at 7:00pm at St Ann’s Parish. We encourage all to join us for these wonderful evenings of reflection and discussion.

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

“Today is the fifth Sunday of Lent. The Church reminds us that what gives life to our mortal body is the Spirit of God. The same Spirit will resurrect Christ on Easter day. He is the one that makes a difference in the life of every child of God. Hence, as we prepare for the Paschal Feast, we must be docile to the Spirit of God that gives us life. The first reading is from the book of prophet Ezekiel. He is often remembered as a reminder of Lent. He announced a promising future for his ruined people. It was a promise that God made to Israel while she was in exile. Today, this promise is still valid for us through Christ our Lord. It is a promise of the regeneration and restoration of our lives weakened by sin, sickness, and the difficulties of this life. It suffices to note that though one might live in one’s country yet, one could still be far from God. This type of separation from God, is a “spiritual exile or death” It is only the Spirit of God that can deliver one from such an exile or death. Hence, God promise’s us today is: “...I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live, and I shall resettle you on your own soil...”

In the second reading, Paul also reminds us that it is only the Spirit of Jesus that can restore us to life: “If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead lives in you...he will give life to your mortal bodies...” In order words,

without the Spirit of God one is as good as dead. This is because Christ himself tells us that: “What gives life is the Spirit of God, the flesh profits nothing” (Jn 6, 63).

This was evident in the life of Saul, the former king of Israel. Immediately the Spirit of God left him, he became miserable and mischievous (I Sam 16: 14-16). Therefore, the Spirit of God is the evidence of God’s activity and life in us. Hence, Paul warns us: “...Do not grief the Holy Spirit of God who is God’s mark of ownership of you...” (Eph 4, 30). This is very important because he is the one that guides and sustains us.

The gospel of this Sunday presents us with Jesus’ demonstration of power. By raising Lazarus from death, Christ proved that he is really, the resurrection and life. He could not have achieved this without the power of the Holy Spirit. The regeneration, resurrection and restoration were possible through the power of the Holy Spirit. All we need to do is, humble ourselves, and allow him to use us.

There are a few lessons we must learn from today’s gospel. First, this miracle is an expression of love. We were told that when the message came to Jesus: “The man you love is ill.” Jesus went because of the love he had for Lazarus and his family. Just as their joy was his joy, also, their sorrow became his sorrow. So, “Jesus wept!”

Second, our faith is very important in the working of any miracle for us. Christ asked Mary and Martha: “I am the resurrection and the life...Do you believe in this...?” So, in order to resurrect Lazarus, the love of Christ and the faith of his sisters brought down the power of the Holy Spirit. Hence, the third lesson is that with Christ, and through power of the Holy Spirit everything is Possible. This is because, Jesus has authority over life and death.

Finally, Jesus is ever willing to help us no matter what it will cost him. It does not matter how long we have been spiritually dead or exiled. He knows us, loves, and calls us by our names as he called, “Lazarus, Come out!” If we hear and obey his voice, then he will restore life to our weak and mortal bodies through the power of the Holy Spirit.” <https://frcanicenjoku.com/2017/03/27/homily-for-5th-sunday-of-lent-year-a/>

**DON'T BE AFRAID  
TO GO TO THE  
SACRAMENT OF  
CONFESSION,  
WHERE YOU  
WILL MEET  
JESUS WHO  
FORGIVES YOU.**  
*Pope Francis*

