## St. Ann's Parish

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### **Mass Intentions**

Resurrection of Our Lord (April 9, 2023)

## Tuesday, April 11

7:00p.m. † Angela Silvaggio

† Rodrigo & Rosalina Osting

† Danilo Labanye † Michael Kirrane

† Deceased members of the Wilk Family

Intentions of Judy Mulhearn

Intentions of Myles & Margaret D'Arcey

## Wednesday, April 12

8:00a.m. Intentions of Michael

## Thursday, April 13

8:00a.m. + Donald Hall

## Friday, April 14

8:00a.m. † Sheila Wickens

## Saturday, April 15

5:00p.m. † Josh Macri

† Stelio DiPitro

**†** Mark Michalec

† Michele, Maria & Joe Mastrangelo

## **Diocesan Prayer Calendar**

Week of the April 9, 2023

This week we especially pray for:

Monday Rev. Archange Kébé

Tuesday Rev. Godwin Pinto, O.C.D.

Wednesday Permanent Deacons

Thursday Rev. Malcolm Katzenberger

Friday Rev. John Schnurr

Saturday Rev. Pawel Stankiewicz

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

# ST. AMM, PRAY FOR US

### **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.

## CATHOLIC MEN'S GROUP — COME BACK TO THE FATHER

Fr. Adam Voison will be hosting a men's retreat on "Mercy – What does it mean, and how do we apply it in our lives?"

When: Saturday April 22

8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Where: St. Pius X Parish, Brantford

Who: All Men 18+

\$25 per Early Bird Ticket. Light lunch will be provided.

For more information please call 1-519-209-3623 or visit www.catholicmen.ca

### St. Ann Parish Children's Choir

"To sing is to pray twice". – St. Augustine Children are welcome to join the children's choir! What a beautiful way to pray the mass and foster a love for music. The children's choir will practice at 10:00 AM and sing at the 11:00 AM service once a month. If you are interested in having your child participate, please fill out the online registration form at <a href="https://forms.gle/6bTf7ExjQw1N7C568">https://forms.gle/6bTf7ExjQw1N7C568</a>

## Vocations

"He has been raised from the dead!" Through our baptism, He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Pray for those who herald the

Good News as priests, deacons, brothers or sisters or consecrated virgins. If God is calling you, contact

Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

Email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

## **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

This is a picture of Jesus present in the Consecrated Host (Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity) lifted up in a monstrance. He waits for us, to heal, console and strengthen us and fill us with

His love, joy and peace. Come and see Him. Eucharistic Adoration each Friday of the month unless otherwise noted, following the morning Mass with Benediction at 9:00 a.m.

## **EASTER SUNDAY**

Christ the Lord is risen today! Alleluia! Christians haste you vows to pay Alleluia! A couple of weeks ago we started what looked like a hopeless, and an endless journey. Today we have come to the end of that journey. Today is the greatest of all Sundays in the Christian calendar because of the newness of life that it brings. Today a new epoch has completely began. This is because the historical Jesus, who suffered, was crucified, died and was buried has now been glorified. The short story is that Christ has risen in fulfillment of his promise: "I will rise on the third day." The battle is over. There is no controversy because Jesus is Lord! Today, we celebrate the triumph of good over evil, of light over darkness, and of peace over chaos. We celebrate hope, patience and the fulfillment of God's Promise to his people. We also celebrate the uniqueness of our religion, the resurrection of our Lord. Through his resurrection, Jesus affirms that he is the Lord of the living and the dead.

One question that we must ask ourselves this Easter Sunday is: Did I resurrect with Christ this Easter? Today's gospel tells us that Jesus left the linen cloths in the grave. In order words he did not cling to any "worldly" thing or allowed them to pull him down. If we must rise with Christ, we must equally be ready to detach ourselves from all unnecessary things that that pull us down spiritually. Through our Lenten observances we died with Christ. So let us rise with him through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Like Paul, today our song should be that of thanksgiving to God: "We bless God the Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ who in his great mercy has given us a new birth...by raising Jesus Christ from the dead". This is because, Christ's death was our death and his resurrection is ours too. Therefore, his joy, glory and triumph are equally ours.

As Christ's disciples, our testimony from today shall be: "I saw Christ's glory as he rose...Christ my hope has risen...! Like the apostles, our duty is to spread the good news of the Lord's resurrection to the entire world. Like Peter in today's first reading we must say to all people: "Now we are those witnesses...we eat and drank with Him after his resurrection..."

Having been raised with Christ, we must act like the living and not the dead. We must seek the things of light, things that are noble and things that glorify God. We must seek heavenly things by living like citizens of heaven rather than "earth bound spirits." This is what Paul calls us to do today when he says: "Since you have

been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is..." In order words, we must live the type of life that is worthy of one who has risen and reigns with Christ. Let us therefore sing with the Psalmist on this glorious day of Easter: "This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad." Alleluia!

https://frcanicenjoku.com/2016/03/22/homily-for-easter-sunday-year-a-b-c/

### **FUN ZONE:**

## **EASTER TRIVIA—**

- 1. Who was the first to witness the Resurrection?
- 2. Who owned the tomb where Jesus was buried?
- 3. Which of the Apostles doubted and did not believe that Jesus was Risen?
- 4. How was the stone from the door of the tomb rolled back?



