

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



**MASS INTENTIONS** **May 2 to May 8**

- Monday 8:30 a.m. +Leone Malleck  
– Bernie & Wanda Logel
- Tuesday 7:00 p.m. +Jozef & Genowefa Kowalonek  
– Bozena & Czeslaw Kowalonek
- Wednesday 8:30 a.m. +Sister Patricia Maher  
– Joan Cassidy
- Beechwood 10:00 a.m.** – Special Intention
- Thursday 7:00 p.m. Special Intention of Dorothy Lutz  
Happy 106<sup>th</sup> Birthday – Family
- Friday 8:30 a.m. +Campa Family – Olga Perko
- West Hill 10:00 a.m.** – Special Intention
- Saturday 8:30 a.m. First Saturday Devotion
- Saturday 7:00 p.m. +Andrzej Filipowicz  
– Orłowski Family
- Sunday 9:00 a.m. Livestream Mass** 11:00 a.m. Living & deceased members of our parish
- Sunday 11:00 a.m. Special intention

**Offertory Collection for Sunday, April 17, 2022: \$8,069.50**

(Note: This amount does not include donations received through pre-authorized giving.)

**Easter collection .....\$19,510.00**

Monthly Budget Review as of April 17, 2022

Cumulative financial objective – 16 weeks @ \$7,500.....	\$120,000
Weekly contributions (year to date) .....	\$49,223.62
Pre-authorized giving (year to date) .....	\$47,618.96
Total.....	\$96,842.58
Over (under) objective .....	(\$23,157.42)

**During the Month of May**, we honour you O Mary, our dear Mother, how much I love thee! And yet in reality how little! Teach me what I ought to know, for what Jesus is to me and what I ought to be for Jesus. Dearly beloved Mother, how close to God you are, and how utterly filled with Him! We invite you to pray the rosary daily, with the litany to Our Lady of Loreto.



**THANK YOU TO DEACON PHONG:**

We would like to take this opportunity to extend our congratulations to our very own Deacon Phong, as he has been appointed as a permanent Deacon to serve Holy Cross Parish in Georgetown, starting on May 4, 2022. We wish him God’s continued and greatest blessing upon his ministry. We would like to thank you, Deacon and your wife Jocelyn for sharing your many talents with our parish for the past 7 years. We will miss you. May God reward you for everything. With prayer, Fr. Rafal

**MESSAGE FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK 2022**

The theme for this year’s Catholic Education Week is “**Rebuild, Restore, Renew Together**”. In the book of Revelation, we hear the voice of God: “See, I am making all things new.” (Revelation 21:5) Even after a long and arduous two years, a loving God consoles us with the promise that there are better and brighter days ahead.

The weight of the pandemic has taken a toll. With continued care and protection of one another, the days of “normal” seem to be right around the corner. It is time to focus our attention on the work of restoration, learning how to “be” in a way that is new, building a strong and sturdy foundation for a post-COVID world. Our schools are fertile ground for such work.

The Catholic Education community in the Diocese of Hamilton is an architect, working to lay a strong foundation for the promise of tomorrow. From the kindergarten classrooms to our university lecture halls, we have witnessed throughout the pandemic the resiliency of our school communities in adapting and cultivating joy despite countless obstacles. We have surmounted challenge after challenge even in the darkest of days, and now we look forward to reclaiming that which we have lost, while renewing our experience of Catholic Education to do better, be better and serve better than ever before.

This work is well on its way through the incredible creativity of our educators and all those who serve and care for young people in our Catholic Schools. Teachers, educational assistants and all resource personnel have truly worked magic within the limitations of pandemic classrooms. I am heartened by the lengths our educators will go to inspire a love for God and a love for learning. Educators, I know this past year has been difficult, and certainly not what you signed up for when you committed to a vocation to teach, but know that you are seen, heard and valued for your dedication and I profoundly thank you for your ongoing commitment to Catholic Education.

As our educational leaders have worked to build, our young people who learn within our Catholic Schools have found places to call home, rest, and refuge from the outside world. Dear young people, in this celebration of Catholic Education Week, take time to reflect and to give thanks for all that you have accomplished over the past year. Take time to rejoice! I know it can be hard to imagine that celebration is possible, but now, certainly, is the time to rejoice! You have done great things over the past year, certainly with God’s help. Reflect on those blessings, thank those who have been your helpers along the way and then claim your identity as a beacon of hope for the world by sharing that spirit of celebration with others! You are setting the tone for future generations of learners who will learn from your resiliency and strength. You are living flames, be generous, and share that goodness with all you meet.

H A P P Y  
*Mother's Day*

*Parish Event all are welcome  
come and celebrate as a family*

*Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Waterloo is hosting a  
High Tea Lunch in honour of **Mother's Day**, on  
**Sunday, May 8 at 12:00 p.m.** in the parish hall. Bring  
your whole family, (Tickets are limited)*

*For more information and to purchase tickets:  
please call Patrycja at 519-886-0342 or email  
lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com*

*Adult \$20, Senior \$15 Child \$10 (under 10 years)  
Tickets are on Sale Now !!!! at the parish office.*

The restoration of our Catholic Schools is fortified through the focused priority of personal and spiritual well-being for all students, educators and staff. The importance of a kind word and a friendly face has become benchmarks of affective education over the past year. If the pandemic has taught us one thing, it is that **mental health matters**. May our schools continue to advocate for those who require resource, strengthen our resolve to be a place of support and encouragement for one another, and may we fiercely protect one another's inherent dignity through good self-care and practices of wellness.

In his encyclical, *Fratelli Tutti*, Pope Francis invites us to re-envision our world as a whole human family so as to learn from one another, be receptive of each other's gifts and to shape a future of interdependence. Our Catholic Schools are beautiful examples of what it means to live for and with one another. If we are to support the rebuilding of our world from this pandemic, it will be through our love and selfless charity towards our brothers and sisters in Christ. This does not stop at just our Catholic Christian family, but extends outwards to all races and nations, to all persons and living things, and emboldens us to look for ways to learn from our unique differences and lead with gentleness and mercy. We are called to be "one body in Christ" (1 Cor.12:12) and so it is with careful consideration that we must renew our commitment to stand in prayerful solidarity with the human family near and far.

I am thankful for all labourers in education, working tirelessly in the service of students and families. Priests of our diocese, pastoral workers, chaplaincy leaders, trustees, administrators, teachers, and parents have truly given their all to advocate for this great gift and nurture the goodness that is fostered within our classrooms each day.

May this celebration of Catholic Education Week be one of great joy where the laughter of young people, the witness of our Educators, and the prayerful support of the Diocesan family reminds us that God is rewriting all of our tomorrows – see, he is making all things new.

(Most Rev.) Douglas Crosby, OMI  
Bishop of Hamilton  
May 2, 2022



**Our Lady of Lourdes Small Faith Group**

invites you to join our living rosary to pray for the needs of the parish and the community.

For May 2022, we are praying for the following:

1. All who carry out the role of mothers, especially for those who are still experiencing Lenten grief during this Eastertide: May they be comforted by our Holy Mother, who understands the role they play in their families. May they find hope and peace through their trust in our Lord.
2. Pope Francis' monthly intention – Faith-filled young people.
3. The sick and their caregivers.
4. The living and deceased members of our parish.
5. The special intentions for the members of our parish.

By volunteering, you will be responsible to say one decade of the mysteries of the Rosary every day for the coming month. If you are interested or would like more information, please sign up here <https://forms.gle/RFEREWMj4yA2YjUFA>.



**JOIN THOUSANDS AT THE MARCH FOR LIFE** in Toronto this year at Queen's Park. On Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, we will call for justice for the preborn. KW Right to Life will travel by Great Canadian bus line from Fairview Park Mall located at 2060 Kingsway Dr. parking lot opposite to Walmart, near Fairway Rd. Departure time 9:00 a.m. Return home by 6:00 p.m. Bus seat \$25. Students ride free. Reserve bus seat(s) now by calling KW Right to Life 519.746.5433 or [kwrtl@golden.net](mailto:kwrtl@golden.net)

**SHARE LENT – TOGETHER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE:** Your Share Lent donation can be made any time up to and including (extended to April 28). If you are not using parish offering envelopes, please use one of your own, marking it as **Share Lent**. To learn more about the important work of Development and Peace around the world please visit [www.devp.org](http://www.devp.org).

**INDIGENOUS RECONCILIATION FUND:** A special envelope for this collection will be distributed in our parish on the weekend of May 7 & 8. with the collection taking place on May 14 & 15.

**DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR**

This week let us pray for...

May 2	Rev. Florian Stasinski, C.R.
May 3	Rev. Jim Valk, C.R.
May 4	Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate
May 5	Rev. Adam Wroblewicz, C.R.
May 6	Very Rev. Aleksander Mazur, S.A.C.
May 7	Rev. Sutherland MacDonald, C.R.

**Prayer for Vocations...** 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 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.



**THE CHOSEN SEASON 1 STUDY GROUP:**

**The Chosen** is the first multi-season television series about the life of Christ, as witnessed through the eyes of those He impacted. Directed by Dallas Jenkins (The Resurrection of Gavin Stone) and distributed by VidAngel Studios. Join us at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish office, starting **Friday, May 6 at 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.** Our study group will begin watching one episode per week of season 1 which will be followed by discussions and fellowship. For more information and or to **register please** send an email: to [lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com](mailto:lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com) with your name and contact information.