Pentecost Sunday - June 8, 2025 - Year C



8:00am Tuesday, June 10, 2025 † Wendy & Joe Fenech

8:00am Wednesday, June 11, 2025

† John Zammit

8:00am Thursday, June 12, 2025 Intentions of Dr. Michael Sullivan

8:00am Friday, June 13, 2025 Intentions of Antonio Perini

5:00pm Saturday, June 14, 2025

† Ralph Naccarato

9:00am Sunday, June 15, 2025

† Ron Butwick

† Lance Brode





11:30am Sunday, June 15, 2025 Intentions of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish



8:00am Tuesday, June 17, 2025

† Jim Welch

8:00am Wednesday, June 18, 2025 Intentions of Dr. Michael Sullivan

8:00am Thursday, June 19, 2025

† Jack Brown

8:00am Friday, June 20, 2025

Intentions of John Zeni

5:00pm Saturday, June 21, 2025

Intentions of Janina & Marion Szmigielski

9:00am Sunday, June 22, 2025

† Olga Maria Berardi

† Erminia DeMelo

11:30am Sunday, June 22, 2025

Intentions of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish



With joy and gratitude, we warmly welcome **Bishop Lobsinger** to our parish community as he joins us in celebrating Mass on this **Solemnity** of Pentecost. Today, as we commemorate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles, we are especially blessed by the presence of our bishop—a visible shepherd and successor to the Apostles—who guides us in unity, faith, and love. **Thank you**, Your Excellency, for your presence, your prayers, and your continued leadership. May the Holy Spirit renew and strengthen us all as we go forth to witness the Gospel in our lives.

THE SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

This weekend we celebrate the Solemnity of Pentecost, the Birthday of the Church. This feast, marking the fiftieth day of Easter joy, marks the end of the Easter Season. We celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the Church and pray that the gifts of the Holy Spirit will continue to guide our steps as a Pilgrim Church as we announce the good news of Jesus Christ in our world today.

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created and you shall renew the face of the earth.

O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Save the Date - Saturday, June 21st, 9am - 3pm

Ministry Workshops for St. Thomas Parishioners **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

& Lectors Sign up & Register at the Welcome Desk. Any questions, call the Office 905-689-4857.

The **2**nd **Migrant Lunch** is being hosted by our St. Vincent de Paul on Sunday, June 29th.

The SSVP is looking for volunteers to cook & serve

food. Please connect with Juliet ssvdpwaterdown@gmail.com if you can assist!



PENTECOST

Join us for Fellowship & Coffee on Wed June 25th following the 8am Mass.

Everyone is Welcome



ARE YOU CELEBRATING A MILESTONE WEDDING ANNIVERSARY?

... 25, 30, 40, 50, 60 years?

Please connect with the Office. so we can celebrate with you!!

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The Most Holy Trinity - June 15, 2025 - Year C

DIOCESAN BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS - for June 2025

YOUTH MINISTRY CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

We are accepting enrollment for the Youth Ministry Certification Program, which begins in September 2025. Join us as we explore the Practical strategies for youth ministry and the accompaniment of young people in our diocesan community. To review a full course list and for more information, please visit: www.hamiltondioceselearns.com

FRASSATI LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

Calling all those entering Grade 10 in September 2025! Are you looking to grow in your faith? Do you want to explore what it means to be a Catholic leader? **The Frassati Leadership Program** may be for you. Join us as we reflect on the foundations of Catholic leadership and foster opportunities for you to grow in your own faith and leadership skills. For more information and to register please visit: https://hamiltondiocese.com/office/pastoral-offices/youth-ministry/frassati/

ENHANCING SELF-ESTEEM - This program provides the opportunity to increase your self-awareness and to learn specific skills for building a positive self-esteem, which will assist you to feel stronger in all areas of your life. Issues covered during the course include taking responsibility for your own thoughts and feelings, positive ways to behave assertively and setting realistic goals for your future. The program will be offered once again this fall and is held at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West Hamilton. Cost is \$35 for materials. Registration will be online soon so to register go to hamiltondiocese.com and look for the date under Upcoming Events, or contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

RESTART: REFRESH, RENEW, REVIVE SUPPORT GROUP – Struggling after divorce or separation? Join us for learning, support and fun on a Friday evening. Held the 2nd & 3rd Fridays of each month. These get-togethers offer continual support and insights for people as they journey through the divorce/separation process and beyond. For summer sessions or gatherings, register here:

https://sites.google.com/view/hamilton-restart/home, or contact Sarah at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com. We look forward to seeing you!



Handicraft Holy Land Christians



On the weekend of **June 14-15**, we will welcome our special guest Jonelly from Sebastien Cardinal's team, representing "Handicraft Holy Land Christians", who after all the masses will briefly address the issues and concerns regarding the Christian presence in the Holy Land. Christians in the Holy Land graciously ask your support through conscience prayers and will have many unique hand carved olive wood religious art pieces made by these families in Bethlehem available for purchase after every mass. Proceeds of the sales generate much needed employment for our Christian brothers and sisters in Bethlehem. May God Bless you for your generosity, for you help and for your prayers." Cash, debit, credit cards and cheque will be accepted. You can visit and support us at **www.HolylandChristians.ca**

The mystery of the Most Holy **Trinity** is one of the most fundamental doctrines of Christianity. It is the central and greatest mystery of our Faith, which professes that in One God are Three Persons – the Father. the Son. and the Holv Spirit. God the Father is the Creator, God the Son is Jesus Christ, the Redeemer, and God the Holy Spirit is the Sanctifier and the Counselor. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states that each Divine Person is God, really distinct from one another, yet there is still only one God; the Trinity is One (CCC 253-254). As Catholics, we begin and conclude the Holy Mass and our prayers with a reverent address to the Holy Trinity, "In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." We do this as the priest blesses us, and we bless ourselves, as we make the Sign of the Cross.

As we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, to become more aware of the presence of the Triune God. It is our guide in how to bear our own selves, our families, and our relationships with others. As individuals, we must strive to become pure and holy to be able to unite ourselves with the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit- That is, to uphold what is moral and to detest what is sinful or worldly. As families, we must strive to keep our members united in love and faith, in spite of difficulties, to become a reflection of the Holy Trinity. And as neighbors, we must strive to be just and charitable to each other, amidst temptations, to help others see God in us, and for us to see God in them. Amen.