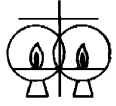




Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - March 29



MASS INTENTIONS

8:00am Tuesday, March 31, 2026

† Giovanni "John" Germana

† Mary & Francis Bruno

8:00am Wednesday, April 1, 2026

Intentions of Gerry Lister

7:00pm Thursday, April 2, 2026

† Peggy Hicks

† Ann Morrison

† Harris Thompson

8:00pm Saturday, April 4, 2026

† Steve Ribeiro

† Valent Hovanec

† Wieslaw Makowski

9:00am Sunday, April 5, 2026

People of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish

11:30am Sunday, April 5, 2026

† Ralph Naccarato

† Antonio Solon Modina

† Czeslaw Suchora



We will be having a **Memorial Mass for Joe Wintar Sat. April 18th @ 10:00 AM**

A reception to follow in the Brother Andre Room.

From the Desk of our **St. Vincent de Paul Society**



A multitude of gratitude to our amazing parishioners for supporting our First Lenten Envelope Collection for Saint Vincent de Paul Society.

We collected \$4302.60.

These funds will enable us to buy not only food, but also miscellaneous toiletries and accessories for our Street Ministry. Serving in Faith and Hope.

The CWL is hosting their 3rd annual HIGH TEA!

Sunday, May 3rd, 1:30pm
Tickets \$50/person

We've always SOLD OUT so don't wait & get your tickets! Please email: stthomaswaterdowncwl@gmail.com



April 2



Mass at 7:00pm, followed by Adoration.



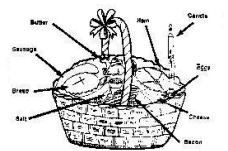
April 3

11:00am Stations of the Cross



12:00 noon Liturgy with Children

3:00pm Solemn Good Friday Liturgy



April 4

12:00 noon Blessing of Easter Baskets



at 8:00pm Receiving New Catholics through the Sacraments of Initiation

April 5

THE LORD IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!



Mass at 9:00 & 11:30am



Chair Exercise Class Tuesday, March 31st at 2:30pm

The cost is \$5.00/person. Proceeds support the Thursday Street Ministry.



The Feast of the Divine Mercy

will be celebrated on **Sunday, April 12th**

2:30pm – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

3:00pm – Chaplet of Divine Mercy & Veneration of Image

3:30pm – Holy Mass

Confessions available throughout Adoration.

Fellowship to follow Mass – All are welcome.

SATURDAY, MAY 30TH

Spring Social

Catering by Luigi's, great company & LIVE music by the Centre Rd. Band, featuring **Deacon Mark** & Special Guest, **Nancy Bodsworth!**

... tickets available after Easter.



Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord – March 29 – Year A



8:00am Tuesday, April 7, 2026

Intentions of Gail Beda

8:00am Wed, April 8, 2026

Intentions of Zdzislaw Stencel

8:00am Thursday, April 9, 2026

† Philomena Fernandes

† Mr. Joe Barretto

8:00am Friday, April 10, 2026

Intentions of Mary Hroncek

Intentions of the Angelus Family

5:00pm Saturday, April 11, 2026

Intentions of Mary Hroncek

† Andrea Brode

† Terrance Killen

9:00am Sunday, April 12, 2026

People of St. Thomas the Apostle

11:30am Sunday, April 12, 2026

Intentions of Wendy Bodsworth

† Yvan Touchette

† Mrs. Antonette Mendes

On behalf of the **Catholic Women's League**, we extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who supported our annual Spring Bake Sale, raising \$1518.00. Thank you to Ileana for organizing this event & to the wonderful volunteers and to the generous people who donated delicious baked goods!

The St. Thomas

HOLLY BERRY BAZAAR

will be held on

Nov 7 & 8, 2026

Mark your calendar.

Fall donation drop off dates
will be announced later.

Dear brothers and sisters,

As we enter Holy Week, we walk together through the most sacred days of our faith—days that remind us how deeply we are loved.

Palm Sunday invites us to welcome Jesus into our lives with open hearts, even knowing the road ahead leads through suffering. On this day, we also listen to the Passion according to Matthew, allowing us to enter more deeply into the mystery of Christ's suffering and love. It is a call to trust in God's plan, even when it is difficult.

Holy Thursday draws us to the table of love. Jesus gives us the gift of the Eucharist and shows us, through the washing of feet, that true greatness is found in humility and service.

Good Friday is a day of sorrow, where we stand at the foot of the Cross. We hear the Passion narrative from the Gospel of John, contemplating the depth of Christ's sacrifice. Yet even here, we are not without hope—for in His sacrifice, Jesus carries our burdens and redeems our pain.

Holy Saturday is a time of waiting, of silence, and of trust. As night falls, we gather for the Easter Vigil, where we listen to the great story of our salvation through sacred Scripture, welcome new members into the Catholic Church, and renew our own baptismal vows. In this beautiful liturgy, darkness gives way to light, and hope begins to rise.

And then comes **Easter Sunday**—the radiant dawn of hope. Christ is risen! Light overcomes darkness, love conquers sin, and life triumphs over death.

May this Holy Week bring you peace, renew your hope, and remind you that no matter what you face, God walks with you always.

With prayers and blessings,
Fr. Francis

Parish project for 2026...this year our projects will be to upgrade the Parish Hall sound system and replace the rectory roof. Both the parish hall sound system and the rectory roof are over 20 years old. Our Finance Council and the Diocese have approved these projects. I am happy to note that the Ex Corde-Foundation of the Hamilton Diocese has granted \$30,000.00 towards these projects. The estimated cost for this work will be around \$65,000.00. If you can donate any funds towards these investments, you are welcome to do so and we thank you for your generosity. **About Ex Corde...** Established in 2011, the Ex Corde-Foundation provides financial assistance to Parishes and other Catholic charities within the Diocese of Hamilton and across Canada. The Foundation provides grants to repair or renovate buildings; to provide and maintain religious and devotional artifacts, stained glass windows, and other religious works of art; and to support religious education, catechesis, and the provision of liturgical resources and pastoral programs.