

**St. John the Evangelist**

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**Sacred Heart RC Church**

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# PARISH BULLETIN



***Welcome to St. John the Evangelist, Sacred Heart and St. Mary the Immaculate Parishes***

We extend a warm welcome to all our parishioners and visitors and hope that you feel at home in every parish. For information on registration and to find out how you can get more involved with parish activities, please contact us by:

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***Sunday April 20, 2025 - 5th Sunday of Lent***

***"The stone has been removed from Jesus' tomb."***

***Sunday April 27, 2025 - Passion (Palm) Sunday***

***"Jesus calls the Apostle Thomas to faith in him."***

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**Mass Times**

**Arthur:**

**Tuesday: 7:00 pm**

**Wednesday - Friday: 9:00 am**

**Sunday: 10:30 am**

*(Rosary 30 minutes before Mass)*

**Palmerston:**

**Wednesday: 10:30 am**

**Saturday: 4:00 pm**

**Kenilworth:**

**Friday: 10:00 am**

**Sunday: 9:00 am**

*(Rosary 30 Minutes before Mass)*

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**PRAY THE 2025  
JUBILEE PRAYER**

**Confession**

**St. John**

*After Daily Mass & 1st Friday*

*Saturday 2:30 - 3 p.m.*

***or upon request***

**Sacred Heart**

*First Sunday of each month at*

***8:30 am or upon request***

**Adoration - First Friday**

*8:30 am - 9:00 am (Arthur)*

*10:00 am - 10:30 am*

***(Kenilworth)***

*(Mass to Follow Adoration)*

**Baptism**

*Please contact the office at least four months in advance.*

**Marriage**

*Please contact the office at least one year in advance.*

**Welcome & Thank you for joining us! We look forward to seeing you next time!**

## Divine Mercy Novena

The nine-day Novena of the Divine Mercy starts on Good Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup> and concludes on the Saturday before the Divine Mercy Sunday (April 27<sup>th</sup>).

**For each of the nine days, our Lord gave Saint Faustina a different intention:**

1. all mankind, especially sinners;
2. the souls of priests and religious;
3. all devout and faithful souls;
4. those who do not believe in God and those who do not yet know Jesus;
5. the souls who have separated themselves from the Church;
6. the meek and humble souls and the souls of little children,
7. the souls who especially venerate and glorify His mercy;
8. the souls detained in purgatory;
9. the souls who have become lukewarm.

**“I desire that during these nine days you bring souls to the fountain of My mercy, that they may draw there from strength and refreshment and whatever grace they have need of in the hardships of life, and especially at the hour of death” (Diary, 1209).**

### THE CHAPLET OF THE DIVINE MERCY

**Opening Prayer:** *“You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty yourself out upon us”.*

**“O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us. I trust in You”!** (repeat 3 times)

**1. Begin with the Sign of the Cross, Our Father, Hail Mary, The Apostles Creed.**

**2. Then on the Our Father Beads say the following:** *“Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world”.*

**3. On the 10 Hail Mary Beads say the following:** *“For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world”.* (Repeat step 2 and 3 for all five decades).

**4. Conclude with (three times):** *“Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world”.*

### **Closing Prayer:**

***“Eternal God, in whom Mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your Holy Will, which is Love and Mercy itself”.***

### **Sacrament of Baptism**

*We wish to congratulate*

Julia and David Orr on the occasion of the baptism of their daughter Aurora, at Sacred Heart Church, on Sunday April 6, 2025.

We pray for Aurora so that she may come to know by the example of her parents, godparents and family the love that God has for her.



April 27, 2025 - Sacred Heart will be having a Blessing of the Seeds - Place your seeds on a table at the front of the church.

**Meeting** **India & Dubai Cultural Tour**  
Father Stephen and the Travel company will be hosting a “Come & Listen” meeting **Monday April 28, 2025 - 6:00 pm at St. John Parish Hall,** for anyone interested and /or those planning on going on the India/Dubai tour in January 2026. **“All are welcome!”**

### **What's Happening ~ Save the Date!**

Fri. Apr. 25	St. John - Euchre Night at the Parish Centre - 7:30 pm - \$10.00 / person
Sun. Apr. 27	Sacred Heart - Blessing of the Seeds! Place seeds on table at front of church
Mon. Apr. 28	<b>Come &amp; Listen Meeting</b> - “India & Dubai” Cultural Tour - for those interested in learning more & for those planning on going.
Sun. May 4	Sacred Heart - May Crowning
Sun. May 4	St. John - First Holy Communion at the 10:30 am Sunday Mass
Sun. May 4	St. John - Coffee Sunday - following Sunday Mass

## Mass Intention Schedule - April 6 - April 20, 2025

**Easter Sunday** Apr. 20 - 9:00 am (Kenilworth) -  
- Int. for all Parishioners

- 10:30 am (Arthur) - Int. for all Parishioners

- 12:00 pm (Palmerston) - Int. of the Bishop

**Tuesday** Apr. 22 - 7:00 pm (Arthur) - NO MASS

**Wednesday** Apr. 23 - 9:00 am (Arthur) - Intentions of the Bishop

- 10:30 am (Palmerston) - Intentions of the Bishop

**Thursday** Apr. 24 - 9:00 am (Arthur) - Intentions of the Bishop

**Friday** Apr. 25 - 9:00 am - (Arthur) - + Harold & Viola Goetz - *Req. by the Estate*

- 10:00 am - (Kenilworth) - + Mary Jo Marshall - *Req. by Mike & Julie Goetz*

**Saturday Vigil** Apr. 26 - 4:00 pm (Palmerston) - + Bernard & Anita Semelhago -

- *Req. by Virgilio & Jumie Anne Tejano*

**Divine Mercy Sunday** Apr. 27 - 9:00 am (Kenilworth) - Blessing of the Seeds

- + Frank Bowier - *Req. by Colleen Thompson & family*

- 10:30 am (Arthur) - Int. for all Parishioners

**Tuesday** Apr. 29 - **6:30 pm** (Arthur) - + Peter & Mary Kelly - *Req. by the Estate*

**Wednesday** Apr. 30 - 9:00 am (Arthur) - + John & Dina Janssen

- *Req. by Jim & Shirley Coffey & family*

- 10:30 am (Palmerston) - Intentions of the Bishop

**Thursday** May. 1 - 9:00 am (Arthur) - Intentions of the Bishop

10:00 am (Caressant Care NH) - Intentions of the Bishop

**First Friday** May 2 - 8:30 am (Arthur) - Adoration

- 9:00 am - Intentions of the Bishop

- 10:00 am - (Kenilworth) - Adoration

- 10:30 am - + Stella McCabe - *Req. by Helen Brown*

**Saturday Vigil** May. 3 - 4:00 pm (Palmerston) - + Jorge Quadros - *Req. by Virgilio & Jumie Ann Tejano*

**Sunday** May. 4 - 9:00 am (Kenilworth) - Int. of Dennis & Sharon Rajewski - *Req. by Dennis Rajewski*

- Int. of Fr. Michael Lehman - *Req. by the Family*

- May Crowning

- 10:30 am (Arthur) - First Holy Communion

- + Rob Matusinec - *Req. by David & Teresa Hawkins*

*he is  
not here  
he is  
risen*  
Matthew 28:6



**Offer a Mass Intention** for a loved one, or in thanksgiving. Contact the parish office or leave an envelope in the collection basket.

Thank you.



Mass Intentions



Please remember in your prayers our benefactors, volunteers and those who have left bequests.



**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention**  
**April 2025**

***\* For the use of the new technologies \****

Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

**Thoughts from the Holy Father**

We proclaim the resurrection of Christ when his light illuminates the dark moments of our existence, and we are able to share it with others”.

*Pope Francis*



**DIOCESE OF HAMILTON**

**DIOCESAN HEROES OF HOPE FOR APRIL** are the extraordinary individuals and ministries who serve in the healthcare services in the Diocese of Hamilton! Arriving in the 1850's, the SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH have provided health care in communities throughout the Diocese – with a special concern for the “dear neighbour”. The health care facilities they built still welcome thousands daily, as they have for the past 170 years. They “lift us up”, giving hope when hope seems far away. The Hospice Ministry is a specialized service, caring for those who are in the final stages of life, providing a clean and safe environment to die with dignity. Emmanuel House in Hamilton, Margaret's Place in Dundas, and Stedman Community Hospice in Brantford provide such wholistic care. And there are other hospices supported by the Catholic community. Hospital chaplaincy services and Parish Priests provide pastoral visitation and Sacrament of the Sick. Prayer Shawl ministry is a “wrap around” assurance of prayer for health and well-being. See the Newsletter for April [here](#).

**DIOCESAN VOCATIONS PRAYER CALENDAR**  
*... let us pray for*

Mon. Apr. 21 - Most Rev. Wayne Lobsinger  
Tues. Apr. 22 - Rev. Andrew Quarshie  
Wed. Apr. 23 - Jesuit Fathers S.J.  
Thur. Apr. 24 - Rev. Adam Wroblewicz, C.R.  
Fri. Apr. 25 - Rev. Dominic Thomas, C.M.I.  
Sat. Apr. 26 - Rev. Ross Campbell

Mon. Apr. 28 - Rev. Francis Noronha, C.S.C.  
Tues. Apr. 29 - Rev. Shaiymon Mandapathikunnel  
Wed. Apr. 30 - Permanent Deacons  
Thur. May 1 - Rev. Michael Isabelle  
Fri. May 2 - Rev. Alberto Ferreira  
Sat. May 3 - Rev. Gary Schlack

***PRAY FOR VOCATIONS.***

**Vocation Seeds**

**Easter Sunday – April 20, 2025**

The Lord is risen, it is true! Through our baptism He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Pray for those who herald the Good News as priests, deacons and religious brothers and sisters.

**Second Sunday of Easter - April 27, 2025**

Thomas believed because he saw Jesus. What will it take for you to respond to God's Call to priesthood, diaconate, or consecrated life?

If God is calling you contact **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.**

**Email: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)**

**PARISH** *Support*

**April 6 &  
April 13, 2025**

	<b>St. John</b>	<b>Sacred Heart</b>	<b>St. Mary</b>
Regular Offertory Loose & Envelopes	\$ 2833.20	\$ 2139.00	\$ 441.00
Maintenance	\$ 545.00	\$ 240.00	\$ 70.00
Special Collections	\$ 370.00	\$ 460.00	\$ 230.00
Flooring Fund	\$ 2270.00		

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