

**MARCH 25 & 26, 2023**



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**WELCOME** to all who have come to worship and pray with us this weekend. We are glad you are here!

### **PASTORAL STAFF**

Fr. Ross Campbell, Pastor  
Fr. Peter Robinson, Associate  
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Deacon Brian Prieur  
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### **SUNDAY MASSES**

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

Offered during 11:00 a.m. Mass  
(Sept - June)

### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Tuesday - Friday: 8:00 a.m.  
Wednesdays: 7:00 p.m.

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
*\*Or by appointment*

### **ADORATION (1 HOUR)**

Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

### **OFFICE HOURS**

Tuesday-Friday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.



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# THE 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

## MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

<b>TUESDAY, MARCH 28</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>
+ Living & Deceased Members of the Kunkel Family	
<b>WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>
+ Pia DiGiacinto	
<b>WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29</b>	<b>7:00PM</b>
+ Jason Gallace	
+ Iolanda Bosica	
+ Ronald Vesprini	
+ Nicola Evangelista	
<b>THURSDAY, MARCH 30</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>
+ Mario Angelini	
<b>FRIDAY, MARCH 31</b>	<b>8:00AM</b>
+ Stefan Kacperski	

## PALM SUNDAY

<b>SATURDAY, APRIL 1</b>	<b>5:30PM</b>
+ Emidio D'Ortenzio	
+ Claire Coutou	
+ Rodolph Pellizzari	
+ Manuel Medeiros	
+ Edmund Kulak	
+ Michael Litniansky	
+ Giovanna LoPresti	
+ Wanda Mazur	
+ Erminia Elia	
+ Carmela Matteliano	
+ Angelina Marasco	
+ Nicola Evangelista	
+ Nicola Piuanno	
+ Antonio & Giovanna LoPresti	
+ Concettina D'Angelo	
+ Deceased Members of the Santarelli Family	
- Healing for Barb K.	
<b>SUNDAY, APRIL 2</b>	<b>9:00AM</b>
+ Gaetano Candeloro	
<b>SUNDAY, APRIL 2</b>	<b>11:00AM</b>
- Mass for the Parishioners	

# ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

**Welcomes YOU!**

Whether you are new to our parish, or have been with us for many years, your presence leaves a unique mark on the life of our church. As your Pastor, I am excited you are with us today to build an even stronger parish community now and into the future.



Fr. Ross Campbell

## DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

<b>Monday</b>	Very Rev. Stephen Murrin
<b>Tuesday</b>	Rev. Kevin D'Souza
<b>Wednesday</b>	Sisters of St. Joseph of Canada
<b>Thursday</b>	Rev. Andrew Czarny
<b>Friday</b>	Rev. Msgr. Martin Vallely
<b>Saturday</b>	Rev. Michael King

## OFFERTORY

Envelope Contributions	\$ 5,361.00
Loose Collection	\$ 501.95
Online Donations	\$ 1,581.73
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$ 7,444.68</b>

**THANK YOU!**

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**REMEMBER YOUR PARISH** Keep your love for your parish alive. Remember St. Francis Xavier Parish in your will and when recommending expressions of sympathy.

# MARCH 25 & 26, 2023

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### MONDAY, MARCH 27

Daniel 13.1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-64+++;  
Psalm 23.1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6;  
John 8.1-11

### TUESDAY, MARCH 28

Numbers 21.4-9; Psalm 102.1-2, 15-17, 18-20;  
John 8.21-30

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29

Daniel 3.13-20, 24, 49-50, 91-95+++;  
Canticle: Daniel 3.52, 53, 54, 55, 56;  
John 8.31-42

### THURSDAY, MARCH 30

Genesis 17.3-9; Psalm 105.4-5, 6-7, 8-9;  
John 8.51-59

### FRIDAY, MARCH 31

Jeremiah 20.7, 10-13+++; Psalm 18.1-2ab, 2c-3, 4-5, 6;  
John 10.31-42

### SATURDAY, APRIL 1

Ezekiel 37.21-28; Canticle: Jeremiah 31.10, 11-12ab, 13;  
John 11.45-57

### SUNDAY, APRIL 2

Isaiah 50.4-7; Psalm 22.7-8, 16-17, 18-19, 22-23;  
Philippians 2.6-11; Matthew 26.14 - 27.66

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Way of the Cross, also known as the Stations of the Cross, are a way to pray and meditate on Christ's sacrifice for us. It is divided into fourteen stations from the time He was condemned to his burial.

### 7 Benefits of Praying the Stations of the Cross

1. It gives us a way to make a spiritual pilgrimage.
2. We can gain a plenary indulgence to shorten our time in Purgatory.
3. Praying the Stations of the Cross helps inspire deep prayer.
4. We can look at suffering from a different perspective.
5. Praying this devotion helps us grow in our love for God.
6. Praying the stations helps us to become holy.
7. We learn to hope in the promise of salvation.

**Join us in praying the Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 7:00 pm**

The key to praying the Stations of the Cross well is with sincerity of heart.

## UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

<b>Tuesday - 28th</b>	8:00 am - Mass 6:30 pm - RCIA 6:45 pm - Card Club 7:00 pm - First Reconciliations (St. Francis Xavier) 7:00 pm - Youth Group Prayer Gathering (Zoom)
<b>Wednesday - 29th</b>	8:00 am - Mass 7:00 pm - Mass
<b>Thursday - 30th</b>	8:00 am - Mass 7:00 pm - First Reconciliations (St. Clare) 7:00 pm - Adult Youth Ministry (Zoom) Meeting
<b>Friday - 31st</b>	8:00 am - Mass 8:30 am - Adoration 7:00 pm - Stations of the Cross
<b>Saturday - 1st</b>	4:00 pm - Youth Choir Practice 4:30 pm - Confession 7:00 pm - Bible Camp Planning Meeting

## MASS OF CHRISM

Cathedral Basilica  
700 King Street West

**MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2023**

**2:00 pm**

All are invited



**HEARING A CALL TO A VOCATION  
TO SERVE THE CHURCH?**

Contact Rev. Mark Morley at:

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

# DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

## APRIL 16, 2023



### Are You Ready?

Resources can be picked up in the Narthex.

2:30 p.m.	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
2:35 p.m.	Silent Personal Prayer
3:00 p.m.	Chaplet of the Divine Mercy
3:30 p.m.	Benediction
4:00 p.m.	Sunday Divine Mercy Mass

## THANK YOU TO OUR YOUTH!

This past Friday was our annual youth-led Stations of the Cross tableaux. A big thank-you to our students who have contributed the beautiful gifts of their time and talents over the past several weeks to rehearse and present the Stations, and to our dedicated adult team who provided support and direction.

### Student actors, reader, and cantor:

Beatrice Basco, Grayton Bowker, Mia Bowker, Julia Cummings, Matthew Cummings, Giuliano DiMambro, Virginia LeMasurier, Ava Mago, Dominick Przerwa, Santiago Sanchez Robledo, Vincent Sciallo, Etien Vera

### Adult team:

Linday Adoranti, Corrina Centritto, Nancy Centritto, Ashley Lovnicki, Victoria Pereira



## DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: SOLIDARITY SUNDAY

This Lent, please give generously

This Solidarity Sunday, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's *Stand for the Land* campaign invites you to give generously and thanks you warmly for your generosity.

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— Raquel Soto, participant in the documentary filmmaking school of the *Asociación Campesina de Antioquia* (ACA, Peasant Association of Antioquia).

Such is the difference you can make by giving to your Share Lent parish collection or at [devp.org/give](http://devp.org/give). Thank you for helping us build a world of justice.

## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

### Holy Thursday - April 6, 2023

#### No Morning 8:00 am Mass

7:00 pm	Mass - Intentions for the parishioners
8:00-10:00 pm	Adoration

### Good Friday - April 7, 2023

11:00 am	Good Friday Service
3:00 pm	Good Friday Service
7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross

### Holy Saturday - April 8, 2023

11:00 am	Food Blessing
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## EASTER VIGIL

### Holy Saturday - April 8, 2023

8:00 pm	Mass - Intentions for the parishioners
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## EASTER SUNDAY

### Easter Sunday - April 9, 2023

8:00 am	Mass - Intentions for the parishioners
10:00 am	Mass - Intentions for the parishioners
12:00 pm	Mass - Intentions for the parishioners



# YOUTH MINISTRY

## GOSPEL ACTIVITY

### Jesus Raises Lazarus from the Dead

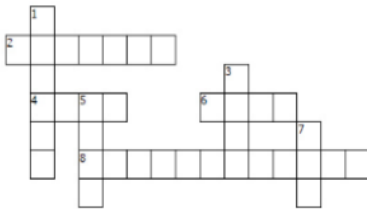
Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies." John 11:25 (NIV)

This puzzle is based on John 11:1-45 (NIV)



## WHAT'S COMING UP?

- ABLAZE - March 25
- Children's Liturgy - March 26
- Praying with Scripture (ZOOM) - March 28
- Children's Liturgy - April 2



### ACROSS

- A man that Jesus raised from the dead
- A place where someone is buried
- To be physically ill; not well or healthy
- Rising from the dead or returning to life

### DOWN

- One of Lazarus' two sisters
- To be alive or have life
- Woman who poured perfume on Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair
- To stop living

TOMB	MARTHA	DIE	MARY
LIVE	RESURRECTION	LAZARUS	SICK

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## QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

In today's Gospel we hear about Jesus raising his friend Lazarus from the dead.

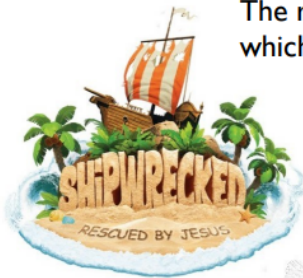
- ♥ Martha, Mary, and Lazarus were close friends with Jesus. What do you think it would have been like to know him on earth?
- ♥ Like Martha and Mary, how do your actions show that you put your faith and trust in Jesus?
- ♥ Lazarus received a second chance at life through Jesus. What second chances have you been given in your own life?



## BIBLE CAMP 2023!!

Once again this summer our in-person Vacation Bible Camp for students going into Grades 3 and up is back! This year's theme is SHIPWRECKED – Rescued by Jesus!

The registration package, which has all the details, is now available at the parish office and on the youth ministry page of the parish website. Hope to see you at camp!



## SANTLY SUPERHEROES

Bl. Joan of Toulouse  
13th Century  
Feast Day: March 31

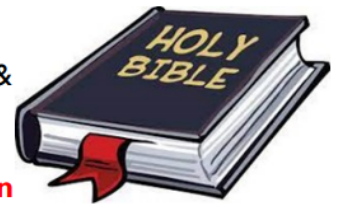
Joan was the first ever lay associate of the Carmelite nuns - she wasn't a nun and lived in her own home, but she tried to follow the nuns' way of life.

## BIBLE TRIVIA!

What does "Isaac" (Abraham & Sarah's son's name) mean?

Last week's answer:

**That they would have a son**



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## ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CWL

### ANNUAL SPRING LUNCHEON

**Sunday April 30, 2023**

**at 12:30 pm**

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499 King St. E.

Tickets are \$40.

Tickets will be sold before and after Masses this weekend  
(Sat. Mar. 25 and Sun. Mar. 26).

Tickets can also be purchased from:

Josie Merolli (905-643-2970),  
Mickie Puglia (905-662-5304),  
Mary Ann Centofanti (905-662-6100),  
and from the Parish Office.

Deadline for purchasing tickets is **Tuesday, April 25th.**  
Get your tickets early. Join us and bring your friends.

## WEEKLY RECIPE

### ANNA LEMMEN'S PENNE WITH ZUCCHINI & RICOTTA

#### Ingredients:

- 16 oz (450g) pkg uncooked penne
- 1 Tbsp (15 mL) olive or vegetable oil
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 lb (450g) small zucchini, sliced (about 3-1/2 cups)
- 1 cup (250 mL) ricotta cheese
- 1 cup (250 mL) half-and-half cream
- 1/2 tsp (2 mL) salt
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) finely sliced fresh basil
- 2/3 cup (160 mL) shredded fresh Parmesan cheese

#### Directions:

Cook penne to desired doneness as directed on package. Drain and cover to keep warm. Meanwhile, heat oil in a 12 inch (30 cm) non-stick skillet over medium-high heat until hot. Add garlic and zucchini. Cook and stir for 3-4 mins, or until zucchini is tender. In a small bowl, combine ricotta cheese, half-and-half cream and salt. Stir until well blended.

Add to zucchini mixture. Cook and stir until hot.

In a large serving bowl, combine cooked penne, zucchini mixture and basil. Toss gently to mix.

Sprinkle with Parmesan cheese. Makes 6 servings.

# NOVENA TO ST. VINCENT FERRER

Patron Saint of: Valencia, Builders & Preachers

Start Date: March 27, 2023

Feast Date: April 5, 2023

O Saint Vincent Ferrer, our guardian, because God, our eternal Father, has blessed you with an inexhaustible fountain of grace and blessing, we beg you to hear our prayers and to assist us with your powerful intercession which is even more effective now that you are in heaven than it was when you were on earth.

Full of confidence in your mercy and compassion, we kneel in prayer before you, and commend to your powerful intercession all our needs, those of our families, our friends, relatives, and especially...

*(Mention your request here...)*



Glorious Saint Vincent Ferrer, let not our hope and confidence in your protection be deceived.

Intercede for us before the throne of God. Watch over our eternal welfare.

If our trials and tribulations in this world multiply, may they serve to give us spiritual joy and happiness. If God will only grant us the grace of ever increasing patience to the end that we may save our souls.

Amen.

St. Vincent Ferrer, pray for us.

Our Father... Hail Mary... Glory Be...



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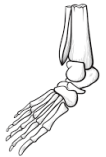
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