



SUNDAY, MARCH 7, 2021

3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

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## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



Dear Friends,

In preparation for the celebration of Mass on the 3rd Sunday of Lent, I invite you to reflect on the Gospel reading that will be our focus this Sunday.

*"We find it easy to admire - even if we do not imitate - the compassionate Jesus, but an angry Jesus armed with a corded whip, driving traders and money changers out of the Jerusalem temple and upturning their tables, may shock us. This gospel does not actually use the word "angry," but Jesus's actions are played out against the backdrop of the "zeal" of Psalm 69:10, and the burning passion of the psalmist for God and the house of God, the Temple, that Mark places in the mouth of Jesus. This is the zeal that will consume Jesus in the hot noon of Calvary.*

*The cause of Jesus's anger is not so much the money exchange or animal trading in the outer court of the temple. Foreign coinage that bore pagan or imperial images could not be accepted for the half-shekel tax for the upkeep of the temple sanctuary, and so it had to be exchanged for acceptable temple currency with which to pay this tax and also buy sacrificial animals. John writes that "the Passover of the Jews was near," and so those flocking to Jerusalem to celebrate this feast from all*

*over the Roman Empire needed to buy the animals required for participation in the temple worship and the domestic rituals. They could do this most conveniently at the temple. Jesus is not unaware of the need for the money exchange, nor so naïve as not to know that petty pilfering and profiteering can be involved in these transactions. Something much more radical is happening: the reclamation of the holy place from marketplace to his Father's house; from empty, atrophied ritual to living worship.*

*By his "parable in action," Jesus momentarily terminates the temple worship, reclaims it from chaos and commerce, and cleanses the privileged piece of creation that is his Father's house of prayer. No doubt a few hours later the tables were again in place, animals led back in, coins exchanged - with plenty to talk about!*

*Yet the disturbing Jesus does not disappear from the scene; he has more "table turning" to do. He stays to answer the criticism of his opponents who can see no further than the temple built over forty-six years by human hands or who refuse to imagine or tolerate any alternatives to the religious practices and institutions that they consider faultless and unchangeable. In this Jesus stands in the line of the Hebrew prophets like Isaiah, Jeremiah, Hosea, and Amos, who angrily and zealously denounced triumphalism and absolutism in worship. Jesus, too, will suffer the fate of so many prophets before and after him: rejection, persecution, even death. Jesus dares to name himself as the new and living temple in which the divine presence dwells. Ultimately, the sanctuary of his body will be destroyed in his passion and death, only to be raised again in three*

days. It is only after these events that his disciples will remember and understand Jesus's words.

*The contemporary church cannot consider itself beyond the reach of Jesus's whip or overturning hands... For us who are living stones in the temple of Christ's Body, Lent is also a time for cleansing the deep personal sanctuary of our hearts, for driving out of our lives whatever clutters our discipleship, blocks our ears to the word of God and the prophets, and distracts us from trading justly and lovingly with the gifts God has given us." (Living Liturgy 2021)*

Last night (Thursday) we celebrated the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation by Grade 7 students from Our Lady of Peace Elementary School. We wish to congratulate our young people on this occasion, as well their parents and sponsors, and the school staff who assisted them in preparation for the sacrament. We realize that the celebrations are different this year due to the ongoing pandemic but the grace of God in Confirmation is present and working within us. Some of you may be surprised, as I heard last night, but this year it is Fr. Claude and myself who administer the Sacrament as our Bishop has granted all pastors and associate pastors the faculty to administer Confirmation, as per the Diocesan instructions during the time of pandemic, and this faculty is in place until the end of June 2021.

This coming Thursday we will celebrate Confirmation with students from St. Martin of Tours School and their families. Please keep these candidates in your prayers.

Our Lenten Retreat for Youth and Families continues this Sunday evening from 7-8pm on Zoom, and all are welcome to attend!

This week's theme is Fasting. If you would like to participate and are not on the contact list, please email Wes at [wmoga@hamiltodiocese.com](mailto:wmoga@hamiltodiocese.com) to receive the Zoom invite.

Development and Peace's annual fundraising campaign has begun. This year it is called Share Love Share Lent and is highlighting the wide variety of ways that Development and Peace works to support our brothers and sisters in the global south who suffer injustices. Much more information can be found [here](#). A collection will be taken up at our parish on Solidarity Sunday, which this year falls on Sunday, March 21. Please give generously if you are able.

Please remember in your prayers the soul of Anna DeSimone, a long-time faithful parishioner, who passed away this week and whose funeral is tomorrow, Saturday, at 10:00am. The funeral Mass will be live-streamed on our YouTube channel. Also please pray for her grieving family. Eternal rest, grant unto her O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Join us for the celebration of the Sunday Mass in person at the regular times. We hope that more of you can start to join us in person again as you feel comfortable. For those who are not able to do so at this time we continue to livestream the 9am morning Mass on Sunday.

God bless.  
Fr. Mariusz

# SUNDAY'S READINGS

## FIRST READING:

In six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them; but on the seventh day he rested. (Ex 20:11)

## PSALM:

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life. (Ps 19)

## SECOND READING:

For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength. (1 Cor 1:25)

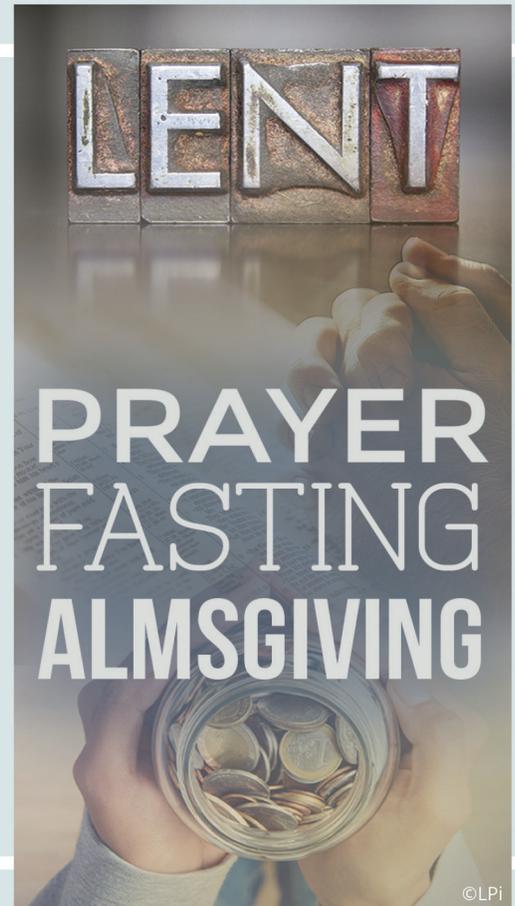
## GOSPEL:

"Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." (Jn 2:19)

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## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 7, 2021

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Lent  
Monday: St. John of God, Religious  
Tuesday: St. Frances of Rome, Religious  
Next Sunday: 4th Sunday of Lent;  
Daylight Saving Time begins



## REFLECT

### FIRST READING

In God's revelation to Moses of His "10 Commandments," seven of the ten Commandments regulate how we are to relate to each other. Which of these seven Commandments challenges you most?

### SECOND READING

Paul speaks of Jesus as both the "power of God and the wisdom of God." How could you prove Paul's assertion to a non-believer?

### GOSPEL READING

John connects Jesus' cleansing of the Temple in Jerusalem to Jesus' bodily resurrection from the dead with a quote from Psalm 69: "Zeal for your house will consume me." During this season of Lent, how passionate is your faith?



During the month of March, please keep in your prayers the students from our elementary schools who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.

We pray that they will be strong, courageous, and enthusiastic witnesses of Christ and his Church.

*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.*

# Weekly Schedule

Date	Celebration - Time	Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar
<p><b>Monday,</b> March 8:</p> <p>1st Reading: 2 Kings 5.1-15a Gospel: Luke 4.24-30</p>	<p>Rosary – 7:30 AM</p> <p><b>Mass</b> – 8:00 AM</p> <p>Chaplet – 3:00 PM (livestreamed)</p>	<p>Rev. Joe S. Selvanayagam</p>
<p><b>Tuesday,</b> March 9:</p> <p>1st Reading: Daniel 3.25, 34-43 Gospel: Matthew 18.21-35</p>	<p>Rosary – 7:30 AM</p> <p><b>Mass</b> – 8:00 AM</p> <p>Chaplet – 3:00 PM (livestreamed)</p>	<p>Rev. Stephen Gilbert</p>
<p><b>Wednesday,</b> March 10:</p> <p>1st Reading: Deuteronomy 4.1, 5-9 Gospel: Matthew 5.17-19</p>	<p>Rosary – 7:30 AM</p> <p><b>Mass</b> – 8:00 AM</p> <p>Chaplet – 3:00 PM (livestreamed)</p>	<p>Sisters of St. Joseph of Cluny (S.J.C.)</p>
<p><b>Thursday,</b> March 11:</p> <p>1st Reading: Jeremiah 7.23-28 Gospel: Luke 11.14-23</p>	<p>Rosary – 7:30 AM</p> <p><b>Mass</b> – 8:00 AM</p> <p>Chaplet – 3:00 PM (livestreamed)</p> <p><b>Sacrament of Confirmation</b> – 7:00 PM (for Students from St. Martin of Tours Elementary School)</p>	<p>Rev. Marko Puljic, O.F.M.</p>
<p><b>Friday,</b> March 12:</p> <p>1st Reading: Hosea 14.1-9 Gospel: Mark 12.28b-34</p>	<p>Rosary – 7:30 AM</p> <p><b>Mass</b> – 8:00 AM</p> <p><b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b> – 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM</p> <p>Chaplet – 3:00 PM (livestreamed)</p> <p><b>Stations of the Cross</b> – 7:00 PM</p>	<p>Rev. Robert Kavelj O.F.M.</p>
<p><b>Saturday,</b> March 13:</p> <p>1st Reading: Hosea 5.15b – 6.6++ Gospel: Luke 18.9-14</p>	<p>Rosary – 8:00 AM</p> <p><b>Mass</b> – 8:30 AM</p> <p>Chaplet – 3:00 PM (livestreamed)</p> <p><b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b> – 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM (or by appointment, please call the parish office)</p> <p><b>Mass</b> – 5:30 PM</p>	<p>Rev. Ilija Petkovic</p>
<p><b>Sunday,</b> March 14:</p> <p>1st Reading: 2 Chronicles 36.14-17a, 19-23++ 2nd Reading: Ephesians 2.4-10 Gospel: John 3.14-21</p>	<p>Rosary – 8:30 AM (livestreamed)</p> <p><b>Mass</b> – 9:00 AM (livestreamed)</p> <p><b>Mass</b> – 11:00 AM</p> <p><b>Mass</b> – 4:00 PM</p>	<p>Fourth Sunday of Lent</p>

# PARENTS JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND

Anybody remember the old rap song by the Fresh Prince, aka Will Smith, “Parents Just Don’t Understand?” As we grow up, it is sometimes a struggle for us to imagine that our parents understand us. It can seem impossible that Mom and Dad remember the stress of exam week or peer pressure. We never saw them as children; we never saw their disappointed faces when they weren’t invited to a party, or their dashed hopes at a bad test grade. We never saw them homesick their first week of college or nervous to ask their crush to Homecoming.

We’re often the same way about God. We gripe about what He asks of us. “He doesn’t understand sin — he’s all-good,” we think. “He doesn’t understand temptation — He is perfect.”

In Scripture, God can be very much a father, telling us what we can and cannot do. And yet, in His divine genius, He is sometimes simply a man at a well, asking for a drink.

For me, it turns out I didn’t need to tell my parents anything about what I was going through as a kid — they knew already. What I needed was for them to tell me what to do, and how to do it.

Similarly, we don’t need to tell God about human nature. We need God to tell us about His nature. He’s good enough to ask us for a drink, to enter into our humanity. But we have to remember, for our own sakes, to have the humility to ask Him for something, too — the water that will quench our eternal thirst.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

## WHAT’S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PRIESTS AND BROTHERS, FRIARS, ETC.?

The distinctions titles and categories used for priests and the male members of religious communities can be confusing, especially since the categories can sometimes be intertwined as a man can be both a priest and a monk, or a brother and a friar. So, to help to piece the puzzle together, it’s important to begin by noting some basic distinctions:

The distinction between priests (who are ordained for sacramental ministry) and brothers (who are non-ordained members of religious communities and who are committed to lives of prayer and service).

**Priests:** A priest is a man who has been ordained for sacramental ministry and these fall into two categories: A) Diocesan (or Secular) Priests can either be attached to a diocese and who serve under a bishop. Their ministry is usually oriented toward pastoral service. B) Religious Priests are members of religious communities (like the Franciscans, Jesuits, Salvatorians, or Carmelites) and their lives are guided by the special mission and charism of their community. While both kinds of priest practice sacramental ministry, their

spirituality and how they live out their priesthood can be very different.

**Brothers:** Brothers are non-ordained members of religious communities (such as those mentioned above) who live lives committed to prayer and service. Religious priests and brothers serve together in their communities and their ministries include much more than the care of parishes.

**Monks, Friars, and Canons:** These are broad categories that include religious priests and brothers, and each of these is connected to specific ways of life and spiritualities.



# Weekly Online Lenten Retreat for Youth and Families

**Sunday Evenings in Lent from 7:00-8:00pm on Zoom**

Each meeting has a different theme and will include a video, reflection time, conversation, an activity resource, and a prayer ritual (different each time) related to the theme.

Content will be geared to students in Grades 3 and up.

Feel free to attend as many or as few meetings as you would like.

**Weekly Themes:**

Feb 21: Making Your Lent Meaningful

Feb 28: Prayer

Mar 7: Fasting

Mar 14: Almsgiving

Mar 21: Repentance

Mar 28: Holy Week

Please email Wes at [wmoga@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:wmoga@hamiltondiocese.com) if you would like to be added to the contact list to receive the weekly Zoom invite!

This Lent, our Youth Ministry community will be hosting a weekly online retreat for students and families!

Please see the poster above for all the details.

Hoping you'll be able to join in on this journey of faith and fellowship through the beautiful season of Lent!

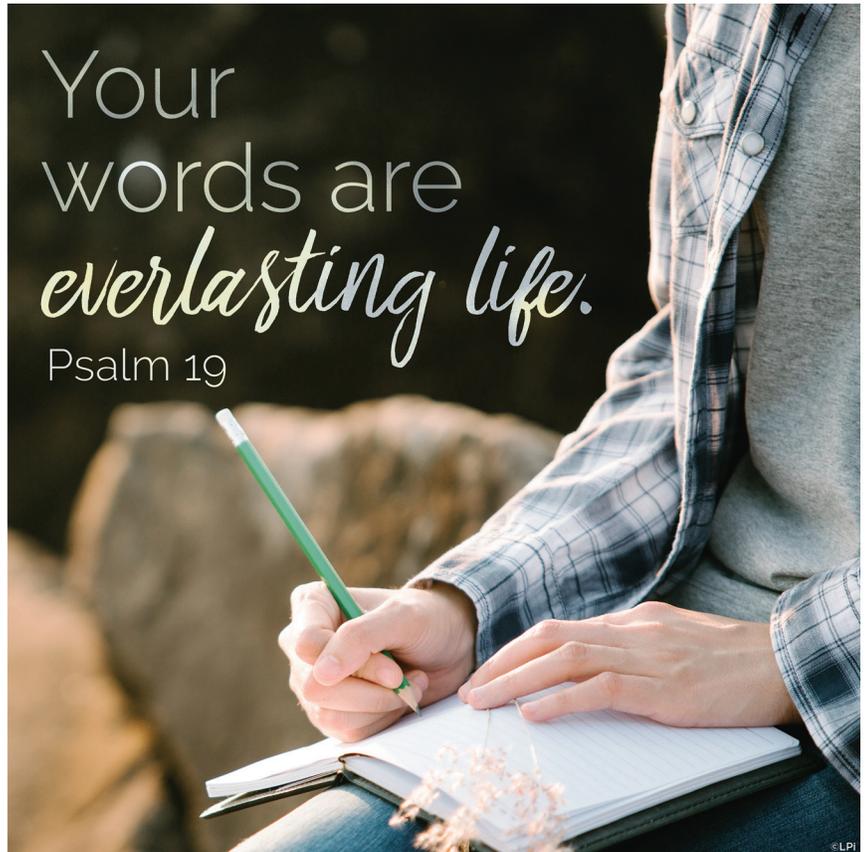
# LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

With our world in such constant turmoil and conflict, it makes such good sense to return to the simple directives given in the Ten Commandments. God's unassuming guidelines provide the perfect recipe for ordering our relationships with God, others, and even ourselves. But yet, we are so quick to glance beyond them and even remove them from public view because we foolishly believe we can create something better. Arrogance runs far deeper in the members of our society than we can ever imagine. Lent is a perfect time to call ourselves back to our foundations and the basic relationships that comprise our lives. It is also a time to remember that Jesus is the true sign of God's presence. Everything he says and does, including his suffering and death, is a sign of the God who sent him. The anger we witness when Jesus exhorts those in the temple to stop making his Father's house a marketplace can equally be seen in his anger and frustration over humanity's constant mission to turn God's creation into a secular world. We have a lot of work to do for sure.

Your words are everlasting life.

Psalm 19

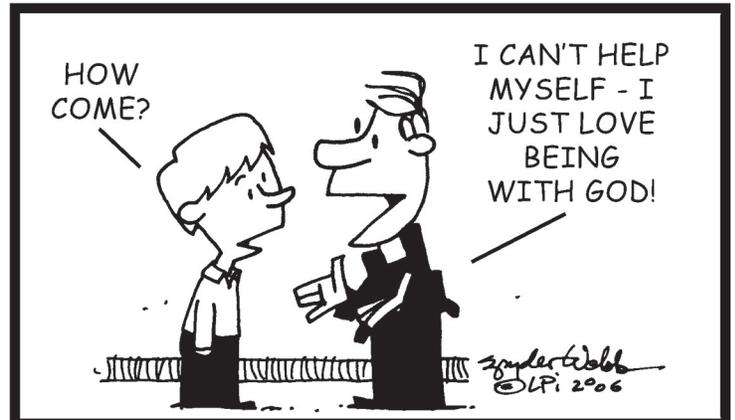


## PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING

Our parish is grateful for your continued support at this time. Thank you!



## 3rd SUNDAY OF LENT





Every Friday during Lent at 7:00 P.M. in the church, we will pray the Stations of the Cross. This beautiful devotion enables those who pray in this way to re-live the 14 stations (events) in Jesus' life as He went through His Passion for the salvation of the world. They help is to contemplate, and thus enter into, the Paschal Mystery and can greatly enrich our Lenten spiritual practice.



## GOSPEL MEDITATION

### ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Many prefer a “create as you go” approach to life where laws and protocols primarily exist to secure and protect liberties rather than dictate and outline proper and right behavior. There are no real benchmarks for acceptable ethical and moral behavior, with a “you can’t tell me what to do” attitude prevailing. Parents are even limited in what they can request of their children, and dealing with threatening behaviors, especially from adults, are a challenge as well. Acceptable and expected conduct seems to amount to safeguarding each other’s space rather than increasing awareness of necessary relationships that require a more refined and higher response.

We have lost our axis to the world of “anything goes” and no longer see the Ten Commandments as practical and wise guideposts to effective living. We live on “relativism island” where only a possible suggestion to “love and do not harm” may be the only standard able to be preached. While Jesus most certainly emphasized love above anything else, it was never about warm fuzzy feelings or halfhearted humanitarian efforts. The love of which Jesus spoke establishes an intimate connection with God, neighbor, self, and creation. Because this love, who is God Himself, is at the foundational core of our lives, it demands actions and attitudes that serve to build up, increase, and



free up those relationships. Love requires proper conduct. Preserving and enhancing these love centered relationships is at the heart of the Ten Commandments (and the Beatitudes) and the reason for Jesus’ display of anger in the temple.

The Ten Commandments can save the world from turmoil and conflict by instilling basic moral and relational principles within us. They also hold a healthy sense of sin in balance and always remind us of our relationship with God and the freedom God offers. Our faith preserves these jewels of truth that we often look beyond, dismiss altogether, or seek to remove from public view. Human beings can be so arrogant at times.

Our Lenten journey, especially when embarked upon with sincerity and resolve, can restore all of our essential relationships. When we get absorbed in life’s preoccupations and demands, things can quickly get distorted and we can find ourselves way off track. In short, we find ourselves in sin. Humanity is losing a sense of both grace and sin. We need both to understand what is real and true. Until we do, the oppressive systems and ideologies that hurt so many will never change. We will never change. We are grateful for those courageous souls who willingly embrace the conversion and hard work Lent demands and stand against antiquated systems and ideologies. They give us hope that all is not lost.

*Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area. - Jn 2:13b-15a*

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*“No one heals himself by wounding another.”*

*St. Ambrose*

**MARCH 7, 2021**

# Development & Peace Share Lent Campaign 2021

This year's campaign is highlighting the mission and values of Development and Peace and calls us to share love in this Lenten period. We are invited to engage in the campaign through the prayers, activities, and resources provided on the calendar on the following pages and to make a donation on Solidarity Sunday (March 21) to support the work that D&P is doing for our brothers and sisters in the Global South if we are able.

**To view the campaign video, please click on the picture below:**



# Week 4

Youth involvement

## March 8

It's **International Women's Day**. Write to a young woman who inspires you!

## March 9

Write a solidarity chain letter to reach those who may not be able to donate online.

## March 10

Use our campaign banner as your Facebook cover picture to promote the *Share Lent* campaign!

## March 11

The national online THINKfast starts today at 3pm EST! Sign up here for this 25 hour interactive fasting and learning experience.

## March 12

Read the reflection on last Sunday's Gospel reading!

## March 13

How eco-friendly is your home or school? Find out through our special scavenger hunt!

## March 14

Emily Lukasik, our animator for Central Ontario, explains why she is involved with Development and Peace.



Emily Lukasik

# Week 5

Membership and fundraising

## March 15

It's the **10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Syrian conflict**. Learn more about the work of our partner, Jesuit Relief Service, in the region.

## March 16

Take a moment to pray for our community of members across the country.

## March 17

Simone Fournier sits on Development and Peace's National Council since 2019. Learn what motivated her to join.



Simone Fournier

## March 18

Visit the online calendar to discover an interesting fact about Development and Peace!

## March 19

Start a climate conversation with fellow people of faith. Get ideas and tips on the *For the Love of Creation website*.

## March 20

Remind everyone — friends, family, colleagues, parishioners — that they can donate to Development and Peace in several ways!

## March 21

**Solidarity Sunday**  
Catch the live stream of our online Fifth Sunday national mass on our website or on YouTube.

# Week 6

Advocacy work

## March 22

It's **World Water Day**. Visit the online calendar to discover an interesting fact about water and Development and Peace!

## March 23

Ask your MP to ensure that Canada commits to a green and just recovery!

## March 24

Read the reflection on this week's theme of advocacy.

## March 25

To prepare for Holy Week, read the Way of the Cross on our resources page.

## March 26

Read about Alexandra Cadar's involvement with her Development and Peace youth group.



Alexandra Cadar

## March 27

Take a moment to pray for the Caritas Internationalis family and our partner organizations around the world.

## March 28

### Palm Sunday

Introduce Development and Peace to someone who's never heard of us!

### Online activity

Join us on Zoom for a *Meet our members activity: A climate conversation — minimizing waste and promoting sustainability*

# Week 7

Holy Week

## March 29

Take time to meditate on our campaign prayer this Holy Week.

## March 30

Why does Canadian solidarity matter in Brazil? Discover Sr. Jean Bellini's answer.



Sr. Jean Bellini

## March 31

Who said it: Oprah or Pope Francis? Take this fun quiz in the online calendar!

## April 1

### Holy Thursday

Let the Lenten washing of the feet be a reminder to heed the call to serve with humility.

## April 2

### Good Friday

Join us on Zoom for our national online Way of the Cross evening activity!

## April 3

### Holy Saturday

Your fundraising year: what worked, what didn't? Discuss and brainstorm to do even better next year!

## April 4

### Easter Sunday

**Happy Easter!** Close the Lenten season with a final moment of prayer from the online calendar.

# 3 EASY STEPS

## TO KEEPING YOURSELF & OTHERS HEALTHY!

We are cautioned to be especially careful during the Coronavirus outbreak. Here are some simple ways to keep sickness away.



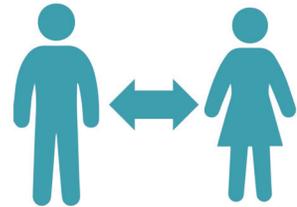
### WASH YOUR HANDS

Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds using soap and water. If you can't wash your hands, use hand sanitizer frequently.



### DON'T TOUCH YOUR FACE

Especially around the eyes, nose and mouth. If you must sneeze, use a tissue or your arm.



### KEEP YOUR DISTANCE

Practice social distancing during this epidemic and stay away from large groups. Instead, call, email or check up on family and friends using social media.



**CELEBRATE EASTER  
AT OUR PARISH!**

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# Holy Week and Easter

Please note that due to the ongoing pandemic, we are only permitted to accommodate 30% of our church's seating capacity. All parishioners attending Masses and liturgies on Palm Sunday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter Sunday must register ahead of time. The registration page will be active on our website as of this Monday, March 8. You can also register by calling or emailing the parish office.

**The registration deadline for each celebration is 72 hours in advance to give our staff time to contact you if any updates are required.**

<p><b>Palm Sunday</b></p>	<p>Saturday, March 27th: 5:30pm</p> <p>Sunday, March 28th: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00 Noon, 4:00pm</p>
<p><b>Chrism Mass</b></p>	<p>Monday, March 29<sup>th</sup></p> <p>Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton. Due to pandemic only priests can attend this year.</p>
<p><b>Holy Thursday</b></p>	<p>Thursday, April 1st:</p> <p>Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:00pm No Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament this year</p>
<p><b>Good Friday</b></p>	<p>Friday, April 2nd:</p> <p>Liturgy of the Lord's Passion. 11:00am, 1:00pm, 3:00pm</p> <p>Stations of the Cross: 7:00pm</p>
<p><b>Holy Saturday</b></p>	<p>Saturday, April 3rd:</p> <p>Blessing of Easter Food: 12:00 Noon Note: please remember that there is <b>NO</b> 5:30pm Mass on this day.</p> <p>Solemn Easter Vigil: 8:00pm</p>
<p><b>Easter Sunday</b></p>	<p>Sunday, April 4th:</p> <p>7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am, 1:00pm</p>



## Diocesan Announcements

### The Reel Justice Film Festival

is back for another year! A partnership between the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives and Development and Peace, the *Reel Justice Film Festival* shines a spotlight on issues of social, political, and economic injustice. Films are screened once a month and provide an opportunity for community discussion about ways we can all support actions for change. Details and the full schedule can be found at: [reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com](http://reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com). This year the festival is going virtual! All of the films will be available online. **Special family friendly screening March 25<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm – 8:00pm - *To the Arctic***, narrated by Oscar winner Meryl Streep. The film takes audiences into the lives of a mother polar bear and her twin seven-month-old cubs, as they navigate the changing Arctic wilderness they call home. RSVP online or by email at [library@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:library@hamiltondiocese.com). Join the discussion!

### Pornography: The Threat, Impact and Catholic Remedy

Pornography is one of the most important issues to understand in our world today. With the ease of its availability on the internet, it affects people of all ages and backgrounds, whether male or female. Pornography today is violent and degrading and often involves young people who have been sex-trafficked. **Join us on Zoom (by internet or phone) March 25<sup>th</sup> from 7-8:30pm** and hear more about the threat and impact of pornography on children and adults, how we can educate ourselves and our children to counter its negative influence and how our Catholic faith provides hope to those impacted. Presented by Mrs. Teresa Hartnett and Deacon Joseph Di Loreto. Registration is required but the session is free of charge. Register at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/pornography-help>.

### Parenting Tip of the Month Tip 128

The amount of time spent together as a family during COVID might be considered by some to be too much, but it may also be filling a real

need. Past research has shown that children consistently identify a desire to spend more time with their parents and family. Time for them means direct, active engagement. The long-term benefits to family relationships are proven: children grow up healthier in mind, body and spirit. Enjoying quality time with their family's means children are more likely to turn to their family for love and support, keeping them healthy. So play with your kids, watch a movie together and discuss its message(s), pray together, be active together, cook together and/or clean together; the possibilities are endless. So remember, time with family is powerful when it is interactive, shared by all and fun!

### Marriage Tip of the Month 108

At the heart of every relationship there needs to be a foundation of love and respect. When couples respect each other, including their differences, they continually build each other up and enjoy time together. When we respect the other in relationship, we can accept their desire to influence us with their understanding of what is true, good and beautiful. When we are open to our spouse's view of things, we not only grow, but we grow together. When we grow together, we cannot help but grow in love.

### Diving Deeper into Fratelli Tutti

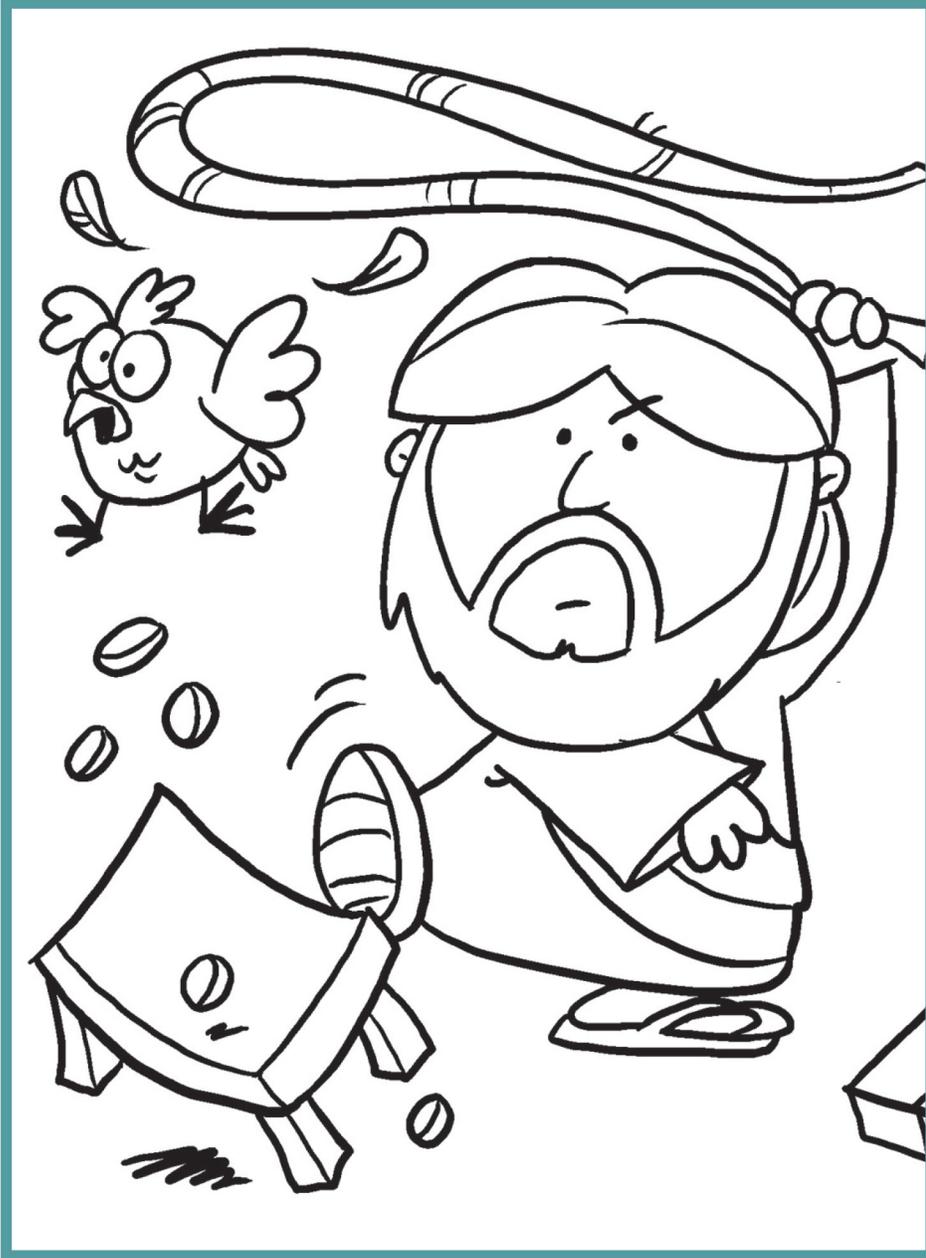
*Fratelli Tutti* is an Encyclical letter written by Pope Francis to "all people of good will." Let's dive a little deeper into its meaning and content over a five session series during Lent. Join us on Zoom for one or all of these 90-minute sessions: **Mondays, March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29** (afternoon session 1:30-3:00pm or evening session 7:00-8:30pm) Registration is required. **No charge to participate.**

### Anniversary Mass 2021 Registration

The Anniversary Mass scheduled for June of 2021 has been **cancelled** due to COVID-19 restrictions. We invite you to register your 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years of marriage on the Diocesan website at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com), simply click on the Anniversary Mass icon on the home page. We will send you the certificate you would have received from Bishop Crosby at the Mass. If you have questions contact: [familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com).

# Kids Corner

READ THE  
GOSPEL &  
COLOR



In the temple people hollered: “Buy a cow.” “Buy a sheep.” “Buy a dove.” Jesus got very angry. He wanted everyone to honor God in the temple. Jesus wants your actions to show that you love God. He wants you to care for this world. He wants you to welcome everyone to your church. He wants you to pray, sing, and listen to his word in church.

## PRAYER

Holy Spirit, show me how to honor God in church.

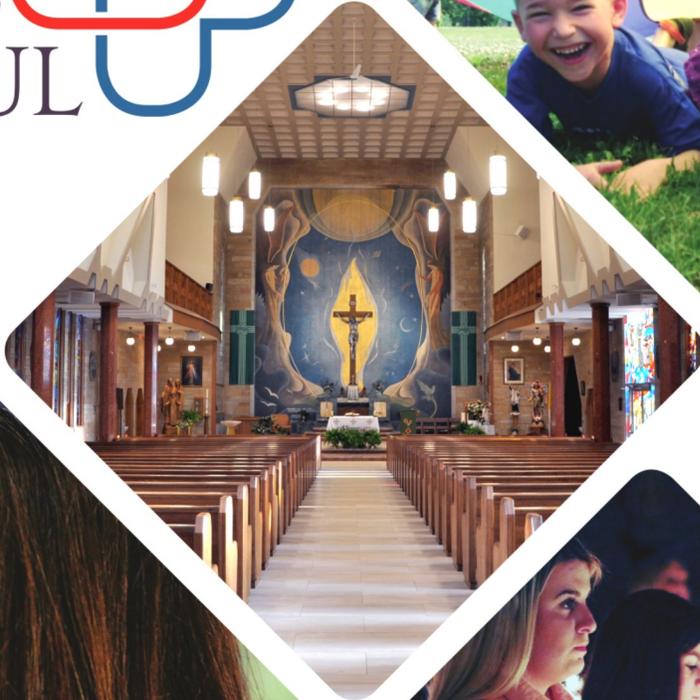
## MISSION FOR THE WEEK

I will honor God by praying, singing, and listening to his word in church.

# MASS INTENTIONS FOR MARCH 8 TO MARCH 14, 2021

DATE	MASS INTENTION	REQUESTED BY
<b>Monday</b> , March 8:	Aguinaldo Elias Mario Gosgnach	Maria Elias Tony Gosgnach
<b>Tuesday</b> , March 9:	Aldo & Irene Falconi Monsignor Harvey Roach	Mario & Louise Castellani Louis & Miranda Beraldo
<b>Wednesday</b> , March 10:	<b>MULTI-INTENTIONAL</b>  Serafina Bracco Henry Wiercioch Rosa Chevez Special Intentions For the health and well being of Wojciech Grzech Special Intentions	Marianne & Rudy Jelovich S. Macanowicz The Kids Halina Kwasniewska  Anonymous Grazyna Chomicka
<b>Thursday</b> , March 11:	Kathleen Parker Victoria Luscombe	Larry & Joyce Webb Carol & Ugo Pin
<b>Friday</b> , March 12:	Giuseppe Giacoboni Sandy Sullivan & Mom Santa	Bruna Giacoboni Louis & Miranda Beraldo
<b>Saturday</b> , March 13: <b>8:30 am</b>	Lillian Anderson Pierina & Albino DeFaveri	Frank & Frances Florio Louis & Miranda Beraldo
<b>Saturday</b> , March 13:  <b>5:30 pm</b>	<b>MULTI-INTENTIONAL</b>  Cecylia Kulak Luigi Giammarco Giuseppe, Vito, Domenico & Pietro Cuti Giuseppina Fuca & Michelina Liota Martin Thien Phu Nguyen Francesco Martinello Antonio & Giovanna LoPresti Paula Quinto Sgreccia	Marek Kulak Sylvia Giammarco Sylvia Giammarco Frank Fuca Kim Le-Butler Antonia Ventre & Family J. & C. Ingrauda & Family The Buccella Family The Sgreccia Family
<b>Sunday</b> , March 14:  <b>9:00 am Mass</b>  <b>11:00 am Mass</b>  <b>4:00 pm Mass</b>	Krista Pauly Blessings for Stefan & Krystyna Macanowicz on their 42 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary  Domenico Pace For the People of the Parish (Missa Pro Populo)  Roberto de Baseggio	Margaret Pelino  S. Macanowicz  Teresa Pace & Family  Louise de Baseggio

ONE  
HEART,  
ONE SOUL



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