



# BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH



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## MASS TIMES:

**Saturday** - 7:00 p.m.

**Sunday** - 8:15 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:45 a.m.

**Tuesday** - 7:00 p.m.

**Wednesday** - 9:00 a.m.

**Thursday** - 9:00 a.m.

**Friday** - 9:00 a.m. Holy Hour follows Mass

## ADORATION:

First Friday of the Month all day,  
Benediction at 9:00 p.m.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays – 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  
and during Friday's Holy hour when available

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please see our Parish Website for more information.

## SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Please see our Parish Website for information and to fill out the Preliminary Form at least 9 months in advance.

## PARISH REGISTRATION

If you are new to our community or just visiting, welcome to Blessed Sacrament Parish. We encourage all new parishioners to register with the parish. Registration forms can be found on our website [bskchurch.ca](http://bskchurch.ca)

We are most happy to have you join our Parish Family.

## LEGACIES AND BEQUEST

Keep your love for your parish alive. Remember Blessed Sacrament Parish in your will and when suggesting expressions of sympathy. If you wish to make such a bequest in your will please contact the Parish office.



SCAN QR CODE TO GIVE

## CONTACT US:

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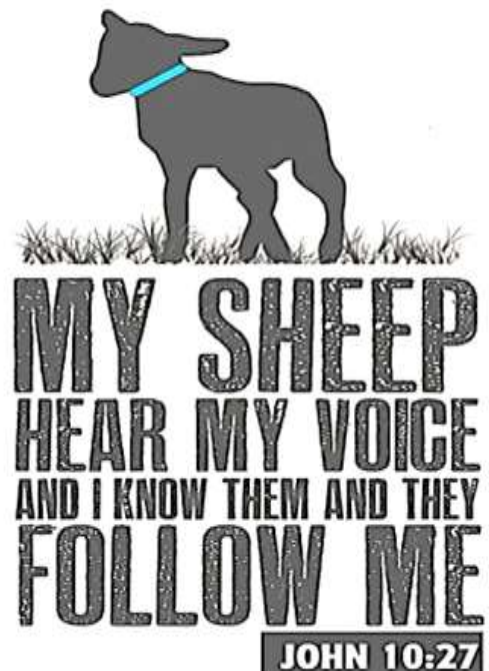
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## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF

**Saturday May 10, 2025**

#### **Saturday 7:00 p.m.**

For the People of Blessed Sacrament Parish  
and the St. Brigid Mission

#### **Sunday**

##### **8:15 a.m.**

† Maria Maio, June Diotte, Nada & Elena  
Giovinazzo – Maio-Diotte Family

##### **10:00 a.m.**

† Douglas Frank Hawton – vanGalen Family

##### **11:45 a.m.**

† Margaret Amaefcile – L. Kruse

#### **Tuesday 7:00 p.m.**

† Deceased Members of the CWL

† Mike Hannan - Family

Int. of Grazyna Knopinska – Agata N.

#### **Wednesday 9:00 a.m.**

† Joseph Dao & Anna Pham – Family

#### **Thursday 9:00 a.m.**

† Bridie Clarke – Gus Clarke

#### **Friday 9:00 a.m.**

† Bernie Poechman  
– Rosemary & Bernie White

## Blessed Sacrament Church

Sunday May 4 – Offertory \$ 6,517.00

*total includes Pre-Authorized Giving*

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Please take the time to write the dollar amount of your offering on the envelope. Thank you.

## EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

#### **Tuesday**

CWL Crowning of Mary & Deceased  
Members Mass 7:00 p.m.

Legion of Mary 7:45 p.m. Music Rm

#### **Wednesday**

Choir Practice 7:15 p.m. Music Rm

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PULPIT THIS WEEKEND

1. Congratulations to the children who received their First Holy Communion today! We warmly welcome you, your families, and your teachers to our parish community.
2. We also extend a warm welcome to the families whose children will be baptized in our church this month.
3. This week, we observe Family and Life Week across the Diocese. For more information and resources, please visit the Diocesan website. [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com)

## THANK YOU TO THE HEART CRY ENSEMBLE

Our heartfelt thanks to the Heart Cry Ensemble for blessing us with the Easter concert "All the Way My Saviour Leads Me." It was truly an artistic and spiritual delight—an evening of music that lifted hearts and deepened our Easter joy.

We were honoured to be the first stop on their new 2025 North American tour. Let us continue to support them with our prayers, and we invite you to visit their website to explore their music and discover ways to support their ministry. ([heartcryensemble.ca/about/](http://heartcryensemble.ca/about/))

A sincere thank you as well to those who helped host the choir and our guests, and to the few who came and shared in this beautiful experience. Your presence made it even more meaningful.

— Fr. Luke

## **FAREWELL TO FR. LUKE AND UPCOMING PARISH CELEBRATIONS**

After three years of the ministry as our pastor, we will be saying goodbye to Fr. Luke. His final weekend with us will be June 21–22. There will be an opportunity to greet him and shake hands after the Masses.

We invite you to join us for our Parish Picnic on Saturday, June 21, from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM—a joyful event Fr. Luke helped bring back to our parish calendar.

On Sunday, June 22, we will also celebrate our Parish Feast Day—Corpus Christi, the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. The 11:45 AM Mass will conclude with a Eucharistic Procession, a beautiful expression of our faith and unity.

Please mark your calendars and join us in prayer, gratitude, and celebration.

## **WELCOME THE NEW PASTOR, FATHER ALEKS!**

We're happy to announce that Father Aleksander Mazur, SAC, will be joining Blessed Sacrament Parish as our new Pastor on June 25. Originally from Poland, Fr. Aleks is a Pallottine priest with many years of pastoral and teaching experience, including time in Rome, the UK, and right here in our Diocese from 2006. Most recently, he served at St. Gabriel Parish in Burlington.

Let us keep Fr. Aleks in our prayers as he prepares to join our parish family—we look forward to welcoming him with open hearts!

## **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

You are all invited to our Crowning of Mary and Deceased CWL Member's Mass on **Tuesday, May 13th @ 7:00 p.m.** Meeting/Social to follow in the Parish Centre. See you there!!!

## **RCIA THANK YOU**

We have finished another season of RCIA and we congratulate all our newly Baptized and newly Confirmed members of the Catholic Church. We thank all our RCIA Team led by Father Luke and Father Rajesh, Bonnie Schroth, Janet Smith, Stan Strickland, Kimberly Hernandez, Angela Morris, Andrew Gravesande and our special guest speakers- Deacon Mike and Jen, and David.

If you would like to join our next RCIA Sessions that will begin in the Fall, please contact Anna

Gravesande or call the Office or speak with any of our RCIA team.

## **CHILDREN'S LITURGY THANK YOU.**

We thank Kimberly H. for donating the Easter Altar Cloth and Easter Lectern Cloth for the Children's Liturgy of the Word. Thank you, Kimberly and to all the Leaders and Helpers for all your generosity with your time and talents and for providing "gifts" to the children to make them understand more the Gospel message. We are so very blessed to have you.

## **BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN**

This Mother's Day to Father's Day, we're supporting Marillac Place's Baby Bottle Campaign to help young mothers and their children experiencing homelessness in our community. Last year, Marillac Place provided safe housing and support to 45 women and 31 children. With your help, they also delivered 247 Life Skills sessions on budgeting, cooking, parenting, and more—empowering families to thrive. Give online using the QR code on the poster in our lobby!

## **DIOCESAN FUNCTIONS**

### **THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS – LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER!**

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2025? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Crosby and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 1, **2025** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration can be found under Upcoming Events on the home page at [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com), or by calling Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

## **REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL**

Join us for our final screening of the season with The Condor and the Eagle, May 22, 7:00 – 9:00 PM. Four Indigenous leaders embark on a trans-continental adventure from the Canadian Boreal

forests to deep into the heart of the Amazonian jungle to unite the peoples of North and South America and deepen the meaning of Climate Justice. Never-before-seen images expose the extractive mining economy and the global rise of land and water protectors across the Americas. Film followed by conversation with guest speaker Jamie Bourque-Blyan, Engagement Manager with Indigenous Climate Action. Register and view our full schedule at: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/reel-justice-film-festival/> 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 injustices.

### HEARTACHE TO HEALING GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Grief support provides companionship on the long journey through the grief process. All who have suffered a loss are welcome, regardless of how much time has passed since your loss. A monthly informal drop-in support is available at the parish on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7pm in the Parish Resource Centre/Library. St. Michael's is also offering a more detailed 6 week program, **When Life Changes (Part 1)**, which will run on Wednesday evenings (6 consecutive weeks) from May 14 - June 18 2025. Registration is required by early May for this program by contacting our Parish office 519-884-9311, or email [parish@stmichaelw.ca](mailto:parish@stmichaelw.ca).

### ABOUT THE SPIRITUALITY OF CHILDHOOD

Holy Rosary Parish in Guelph is hosting the first of a two-part Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level One Formation Course July 7-12, 2025. This retreat-like experience immerses the adult in scripture, liturgy, theology, prayer, the needs and capacities of children, and making materials the child works with to internalize the Christian message. For more information: [www.cgsac.ca/Courses/Level One](http://www.cgsac.ca/Courses/Level One) or contact the course registrar: [therese.wright8591@gmail.com](mailto:therese.wright8591@gmail.com).

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MORE INFORMATION  
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### RETREAT AT THE CARMEL

The Carmel of St. Joseph Guild is hosting their annual retreat at the Carmelite Monastery on Saturday, May 24. The theme of the Retreat is "Hope". The retreat will give you an opportunity to experience the graces and blessings of the Jubilee Year. A light lunch and refreshments will be provided. If you wish to attend, please see the poster for more details on the Carmel of St. Joseph website: [www.thecarmel.ca](http://www.thecarmel.ca) If you haven't registered yet, please do so, as space is limited. RSVP before May 16 either by phone: 519-884-6700 or email: [saintagatha@thecarmel.ca](mailto:saintagatha@thecarmel.ca)

*Happy*  
*Mother's Day*

*Thank you, Lord,  
that you fill a mother's heart with love,  
That you have instilled in her very being the  
need to protect her children if at all  
possible,  
Thank you for giving her the gift of  
nurturing her children, of teaching them,  
of comforting them,  
for feeding them and making  
a safe place for them.  
For guiding them to be all that  
God has created them to be.  
Fill every mother with love, wisdom and  
endurance,  
with strength and patience and joy.  
Give them ability to forgive again and  
again.  
Enable her to rely on You and call upon  
You, because You will give her all she  
needs.  
In Your precious and all powerful name,  
Amen*