

St. Francis of Assisi Parish

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Administered by the Congregation of the Resurrection: www.resurrectionists.ca

Lord's Day Masses – with distancing

Saturday at 5:00 pm

Sunday at 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Weekday Masses – with distancing

Tuesday – Friday at 9:00 am

Reconciliation

Saturday from 4:00 – 4:30 pm

or by appointment.

Sunday Children's Liturgy

No Children's Liturgy at this time

Prayer Network

Call parish office to request prayers

Funerals

Please call the parish office.

Baptism

Please call the parish office.

Marriages

Please call the parish office.

Pastor:

Fr. Murray McDermott, C.R.

(mmcdermott@hamiltondiocese.com)

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Fr. Raphael Ma, C.R.

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Pastoral Minister:

Miss Ruthann Fisher

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Music Ministry:

Mrs. Terrienne Moulton

Admin. Assistant:

Ms. Alice Soeder

Building Manager:

Mr. Gary Howell

Parish Office

Open Monday – Friday

8:30 am – noon & 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Vocations Information:

[Hamilton Diocese](#)

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*"We are a Christ-centred faith
community seeking to be
instruments of God's peace."*

April 10th, 2022 Palm Sunday of our Lord's Passion

**"Christ became obedient for us to death, even death on a cross.
Therefore God exalted him, and gave him the name above every name."**

~ Philippians 2: 8-9

MASS INTENTIONS April 12 - 17, 2022

Tuesday, 12th	- Tuesday of Holy Week
9:00 am	Intentions of Rita Spilowey – Dorothy MacDonald +Kent Cook – Sandy Milne +Jane Jackson – the Jackson Family
Wednesday, 13th	- Wednesday of Holy Week
9:00 am	Peace in Ukraine
Thursday, 14th	- Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper
7:30 pm	Vocations to the Priesthood
Friday, 15th	- Good Friday
11:00 am	Family Service
3:00 pm	Solemn Service
Saturday, 16th	- Easter Vigil Mass
8:00 pm	Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi
Sunday, 17th	- Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection
9:00 am	Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi
11:00 am	Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

Monday

Celebrating the Word (RR)	7:00 pm
Overeaters Anonymous (H)	7:30 pm

Tuesday

Virtual Atrium (Zoom)	4:00 & 4:30 pm
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Holy Thursday

Virtual Atrium (Zoom)	4:00 & 4:30 pm
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Good Friday

Office Closed for Good Friday

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

April 2/3 Collection	\$5,741.25
2022 Total Collection	\$58,407.89
2022 Total Budget	\$284,000.00

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Apr. 11: Rev. Francis Noronha, CSC
Tues. April 12: Rev. Allison Mahoney, CSC
Wed. Apr. 13: Permanent Deacons
Thu. Apr. 14: Holy Thursday
Fri. Apr. 15: Good Friday
Sat. Apr. 16: Holy Saturday

EASTER LITTLE BOOKS

Easter Little Books can be picked up by those who ordered them in the main entrance of the church this weekend or at the office during office hours.

FR. MURRAY & FR. RAPHAEL'S HOMILIES ONLINE

Click picture below to listen to the current homily.



[You can listen to past homilies by clicking here.](#)

Easter Triduum Homilies will also be posted on our parish website on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and for Easter Sunday. Visit www.stfranciskw.ca on those days to listen to Fr. Murray's homilies.

GARDENER NEEDED

Resurrection Manor in Waterloo is in need of a gardener(s) to tend to our flower beds. Hours and compensation are negotiable. Please call Bro. John C.R. at 519-772-2944.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



Palm Sunday – April 9/10

Saturday 5pm,
Sunday 9am & 11am



Holy Thursday – April 14

Mass of Lord's Supper, 7:30 pm

Food Drive: As we celebrate the Last Supper and the Institution of the Eucharist we invite you to share the banquet on your table with our neighbours in need. Non-perishable food donations can be dropped off at the entrance of the church and will support our local community. Thank you.



Good Friday – April 15

Family Service, 11:00am Solemn Service, 3:00 pm

Collection for the Holy Land: The Good Friday collection is requested by the Holy See to help maintain the Christian sites of the Holy Land and to support the Church in the pastoral, educational and social works that contribute to a sustained Christian presence in the land where Jesus once walked. You can contribute to this collection using the envelope in your box of parish envelopes, or envelopes provided at the church on Good Friday.

Holy Saturday – April 16

Easter Vigil Mass, 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday – April 17

Easter Masses, 9:00 am & 11:00 am



SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE

Rosary: We invite you to join us to pray the Rosary Tuesday to Friday, at 8:40 A.M. before our morning Mass, for peace in Ukraine and our world.

Donations: You can donate to the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine through Development and Peace, [online by clicking here](#), or call 1-888-664-3387.

CONTINUED MASKING AT ST. FRANCIS

Although the COVID situation has improved greatly we still want to be conscientious. **In our effort to keep everyone safe we ask you to continue wearing masks at St. Francis of Assisi Parish up to and including Easter weekend.** We will re-evaluate the situation then. Thank you for your understanding.

CREATION CARE TIP

Palm Sunday – April 10, 2022

"The whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen ... Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.'"—Luke 19:37, 39-40

This week, spend some time in nature (in a forest, your backyard, or even just contemplating a weed growing through a crack in the sidewalk). Quiet yourself and look and listen for how creation praises the Lord.

AROUND TOWN

Heartache to Healing - Grief Support Group at St. Michael Parish, Waterloo. Wednesday evenings April 20 – May 25, 7-8:30 pm (doors open at 6:30 pm). This program is designed to assist people after the death of a loved one, or a significant loss and follows the process developed by Dr. Bill Webster. Everyone is welcome. There is no fee, but you must **register by April 13th** by contacting St. Michael Parish office 519-884-9311 or email parish@stmichaelw.ca. Visit our website for more information at www.stmichaelw.ca/grief-support.

Good Friday Fish & Chip Dinners at the Waterloo Knights of Columbus, 145 Dearborn Place, Waterloo, April 15. Seatings at 12 noon, 1, 4, 5 and 6 p.m. Please call Martin at 519-884-2060 to purchase tickets. 1 piece dinner \$15, 2 piece dinner \$20. Includes, fish, chips, roll and coleslaw. Take away orders available from 3:30 p.m.

Good Friday Fish N' Chips Maryhill Heritage Park - Continuous from 12 noon to 7 p.m. Eat In or Take Out. No reserved seating. First Come, First Served. Haddock with fresh hand cut fries served with coleslaw, tartar sauce and lemon, 1 piece - \$15, 2 piece \$17. Kids under 12 are half price. Hot dogs, dessert, bar & refreshments available. Masks optional. Cash only. Take-out orders – call ahead strongly advised. Phone (519) 648-2939

Canadian Food for Children (CFFC) requests your help. The Catholic parishes in our area have always been so generous with donations to CFFC, donations particularly of clothes, housewares, school supplies, bedding and hygiene goods. With the onset of COVID two years ago, our donations drastically diminished. With springtime approaching, is it time to clean out? Do you have drawers and cupboards that need emptying? Are you moving and/or downsizing and want to get rid of items? Do you have a loved one whose home must be cleaned out? Our warehouse is located at 843 Guelph Street in Kitchener and we are open on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 12:30 to 3:00pm to accept your donations. If desired, our expanded "Wish List" can be accessed by emailing pinn@golden.net. Thank you in advance for helping us clothe and provide for the poor in so many Third World Countries.

The Real Me: Drawing Teens Out of the Shadows is the fourth talk for the Hamilton Diocesan Speaker Series. Our speaker, Roy Petitfils, has spent his life helping teens not to feel invisible. During his presentation he will provide insights into how parents / teachers / parish staff / others can help ensure no child ever feels unseen. **Join us Tuesday, April 26th from 7-8:30p.m.** Roy will provide practical and experiential antidotes on how to assist teens to feel empowered, supported and strong enough to come out of the shadows and thrive in their lives. Roy Petitfils is a therapist with a Masters in Mental Health and School Counseling and is an internationally sought after speaker who uses humor, passion, clinical and life experience to help adults connect with teens and teens to know, understand and love themselves. He has authored, *What Teens Want You to Know (But Won't Tell You)*, *What I Wish Someone Had Told Me About the First Five Years of Marriage* and *God Wears Running Shoes: Spiritual Reflections for Those Ministering to Young People*. For more information and to register visit: <https://amorislaetitia.hamiltondiocese.com/>, or contact Teresa Hartnett at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250 or thartnett@hamiltondiocese.com.

Reel Justice Film Festival April 28, 2022 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM screening of ***Seed: The Untold Story***. As biotech companies control the majority of our seeds, farmers, scientists, lawyers, and indigenous seed keepers fight to defend the future of our food. In a harrowing and heartening story, these reluctant heroes rekindle a lost connection to our most treasured resource and revive a culture connected to seeds. The Reel Justice Film Festival is a partnership between Development & Peace and the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives. Visit <https://reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/> for our 2022 schedule and to secure your spot at any of our virtual screenings!

Serra Club of Hamilton invites you to an **Appreciation Mass on Tuesday May 3** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King starting at 7:00 pm. We will celebrate and honour our brothers and sisters who have chosen the Priesthood or Consecrated/Religious Life and have marked their 50th Anniversary serving the Diocese of Hamilton in 2020, 2021 and 2022. Visit the website: [Celebration of Priesthood and Religious Life Dinner](#) or call Margaret Carreiro at 905-628-5682 for more info.