

MASS INTENTIONS

March 17th – 22nd

Tuesday 17th – Ferial

9:00 a.m. +Ildebrando Silveira
-Maria Silveira

Wednesday 18th – Ferial

9:00 a.m. Int. Shirley Fixter
-Marj Simon

Thursday 19th – Solemnity of St. Joseph

9:00 a.m. Int. Anne Pritchard
-Helen Shantz

Friday 20th – Ferial

9:00 a.m. +John Harder
-Elizabeth Harder

Saturday 21st – 4th Sunday of Lent

5:00 p.m. +Nicola Trovato
-Maurizio & Sharon Ianni
+Gary Megaffin
-Cathy Vanzielegem
+Alison O'Farrell
-Michelle Krulicki
Int. Niall Bermingham & Family
-Jim & Joan O'Doherty
Int. David Dineen

Sunday 22nd – 4th Sunday of Lent

9:00 a.m. For Parishioners of St. Francis
11:00 a.m. Int. Linda Carmichael
-Helen Shantz

Stewardship Report

March 7/8	\$5,309.40
2026 Total Collection	\$47,962.35
2026 Total Budget	TBC

What's Happening this Week?

Monday

Senior Gentle Exercise (H)	2:30 pm
OEA (H)	7:00 pm

Tuesday

Penitential Service	2:00 pm
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Wednesday

Senior Gentle Exercise (H)	2:30 pm
SVDP Mtg. (H)	7:00 pm

Thursday

Christian Life Program (H)	6:00 pm
Choir Practice (C)	7:30 pm

Friday

Stations of the Cross	7:00 pm
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Sunday

Children's Liturgy	@9am Mass
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Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Mon. Mar 16: **Rev. Deaha (John) Kim**
Tues. Mar 17: **Rev. Marian Gil, O.M.I.**
Wed. Mar. 18: **Sisters of St. Joseph in Canada, C.S.J.**
Thu. Mar 19: **St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
Fri. Mar 20: **Rev. Luis Inacio**
Sat. Mar 21: **Rev. Kazimierz Tyberski, O.M.I.**

Easter Little Books are IN!

For those who ordered the Little Book Devotionals last year, your Easter booklets are now available. You can pick these up from the Parish office during the week.

Stations of the Cross

Will be celebrated every Friday at 7 PM during Lent. Each week, a different ministry at St. Francis will lead the reflections. The reflections this week will be led by our Lectors!

Holy Week at St. Francis of Assisi Church

Check out the upcoming schedule for Holy Week at our Parish!



Palm Sunday Mass

Saturday March 28th

5:00 PM

Sunday March 29th

9:00 AM

11:00 AM



Holy Thursday Mass

Thursday April 2nd

7:30 PM

Followed by Adoration in the Resurrection Room until 10:00 PM

Good Friday Service

Friday April 3rd

11:00 AM – Family Liturgy

3:00 PM – Solemn Service



Easter Vigil

Saturday April 4th

8:00 PM

Easter Sunday

Sunday April 5th

9:00 AM

11:00 AM



Lent Penitential Service at St. Francis THIS TUESDAY!

This year, our Penitential Service will take place at 2:00 pm on Tuesday March 17th at St. Francis Church. There will be multiple priests available to hear confessions at this time.

There are many other Penitential Services or additional Reconciliation available in parishes around the city throughout the season of Lent:

- St. Mark – **Tues. March 17th @ 7:00PM**
- St. Mary – **Sun. March 22nd @ 9:30AM**
- St. Anne – **Wed. March 25th @ 6:30PM**
- Blessed Sacrament – **Sat. Mar.28- 8AM-8PM**
- St. Michael – **Wed. April 1st – 8AM-8PM**

Society of St. Vincent De Paul

"How pleased Our Lord is with your concern for the relief of His suffering members."



-St. Vincent De Paul

The first meeting for those interested in being part of the St. Vincent De Paul Chapter of St. Francis of Assisi, will take place this **Wednesday March 18th, at 7 PM in the Parish Hall!** All are invited.

Journey Through Lent Video Series: Weekly Reflections

"The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) presents **Journey Through Lent** (<https://tinyurl.com/2p9une39>). This video series, a joint project of the CCCB's National Liturgy Office, *Office national de liturgie* and the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis, provides weekly Lenten spiritual reflections.

Reflections based on the readings for Sunday Mass will be available weekly from Ash Wednesday until Palm Sunday. Designed for individuals, families, and communities, *Journey Through Lent* encourages viewers to reflect on the Sunday readings. This year's reflections are presented by:

- The Most Reverend Daniel J. Miehms, Bishop of Peterborough (in English).
- The Most Reverend Juan Carlos Londoño, Auxiliary Bishop of Québec (in French)

New reflections will be released **every Monday**: leading up to the following Sunday's celebration. By offering the video reflections in advance, the series supports prayerful preparation throughout the week leading up to Sunday Mass."

Resurrectionist Vocation Minute

4th Sunday of Lent

Jesus heals a man who was blind from birth. At first, the man does not fully understand who Jesus is, but step by step his eyes and his faith are opened. Discernment often works the same way. God does not reveal everything at once; He gradually helps us see more clearly. Are you ready to let Jesus open your eyes as you discern your vocation?

Fr. Pawel Szymanowski,
CR; resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com

Around Town

St. Agnes Education Café - In our noisy world, many voices compete for our attention. We are called go to that quiet place in prayer where God speaks to us. Do we listen? And act? Come away from the noise & join us for the next St. Agnes Education Cafe: *"God speaks - are we listening? Overcoming Spiritual Deafness."* Sunday March 29th 2-3:30pm, St. Agnes Parish, with Fr. Raphael Ma, St. Mary's, Kitchener.

Tunes for Tiny Home Take-out – Save the Date: Saturday March 28th, 1:30 PM at St. Mary's Church (56 Duke St. W. Kitchener). Enjoy a wonderful blend of classical, jazz & pop music pieces performed on a variety of musical instruments presented by the Wilfrid Laurier Faculty of Music. Tickets: Pay What you Can.

The 7 Last Words - Special musical presentation by The Philippine Choral Society of Mississauga. **Palm Sunday, March 29th at 1:00 p.m. at St. Mark's Parish, Kitchener.** Hosted by St. Mark's CWL. We will experience a time of meditation and song, helping us to enter more deeply into this sacred time. All are welcome. A goodwill offering will be collected.

Diocesan Announcements

THE JOURNEY CONTINUES: THE SYNOD ON SYNODALITY - The Synod on Synodality is not over! The Universal Church has entered the "Implementation Phase" (2025-2028), inviting a careful reading of the final document of the Synodal journey to help shape a more listening, participatory church. You are encouraged to read the final document of the Synod on Synodality, described by Pope Francis as a 'Gift to the People of God.' Learn how we can better walk together in communion, participation, and mission. Access it at www.synod.va.

ENHANCING SELF-ESTEEM (New Dates) This program provides the opportunity to increase awareness of yourself and to learn specific skills for building positive self-esteem. It can help you to feel stronger in all areas of your life. Issues covered during the course include taking responsibility for your own thoughts and feelings, positive ways to behave assertively and setting realistic goals for your future. The program will run **Tuesdays from April 6 – June 9** from 7-9 pm and are held at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West Hamilton. Cost is \$35 for materials. Registration online can be found by going to hamiltondiocese.com and looking for the date under Upcoming Events, or by contacting Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com.

HOPE AFTER AN ABORTION - Are you struggling with an abortion decision – either your own, or someone else's? Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? Project Rachel is a ministry of healing for any person suffering pain or problems from an abortion experience. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings and find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.

St. Francis of Assisi Parish



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Lord's Day Masses

Saturday at 5:00 pm
Sunday at 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Weekday Masses

Tuesday – Friday at 9:00 am

Kerala Roman Catholic Mass

Celebrated by Fr. Stephen Gilbert
Sunday at 5:30 p.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday from 4:00 – 4:30 pm
or by appointment.

Prayer Network

Call parish office to request prayers

Funerals, Baptisms, Marriages

Please call the parish office.

Pastor:

Fr. Paul Voisin, C.R.
(pvoisin@hamiltondiocese.com)

Priest in Res.

Fr. Murray McDermott, C.R.
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Deacon:

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Mrs. Terriane Moulton

Admin. Assistant:

Mrs. Amanda Michaels

Building Manager:

Mr. Lazaro Escobar

Asst. Building Mgr.:

Mr. Gary Howell

Parish Office

Monday – Friday 8:30 am – noon & 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm



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

March 15th, 2026 4th Sunday of Lent

*"I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
whoever follows me will have the light of life."*

- John 8:12

