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**DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR**

**March 2-7, 2026**

March 2 – Rev. Ambroise Tshiaba Ntumba  
March 3 – Rev. Andrew Lopatniuk  
March 4 – Society of African Missions, S.M.A.  
March 5 – Very Rev. Msgr. Murray Kroetsch  
March 6 – *World Day of Prayer*  
March 7 – Rev. Bernard (Mike) Francis  
March 8 – **3rd Sunday of Lent**

**March 9-14, 2026**

March 9 – Very Rev. Msgr. Cornelius O'Mahony  
March 10 – Rev. Patras Samuel Masih  
March 11 – Franciscan Fathers, O.F.M.  
March 12 – Rev. Tony O'Dell, O.M.I.  
March 13 – *Parish & Chancery Staff*  
March 14 – Rev. Harry Reitzel, C.R.  
March 15 – **4th Sunday of Lent**

**Youth Group**



Youth Group Grades 6-8 Join us on March 6<sup>th</sup> for Youth Group. Meet us at Most Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall at 7:00 p.m.. This month we will discuss how God loved the world so much, He gave us Jesus. Download a permission form from our website, if you have never attended before.

**Thinkfast:** Attention Grade 8 to 12 Students. Join as we reflect on the Global South. **What is Thinkfast?** Thinkfast is an opportunity to gather together for 24 hours to reflect on Catholic Social Teachings, initiatives happening in the Global South and what we can do here in Canada. There is an opportunity to sleepover, but you do not have to sleepover to participate. Thinkfast will take place Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup> to Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>. For more information, please pick up a permission form in the Narthex or speak to Rachel or Ashley.

Now that the Christmas celebrations are over, the **Adult Choir** is looking forward to preparing for Easter. New members, especially men, are encouraged to join NOW as new music is being prepared for the Easter Vigil celebration. So, if you were thinking of joining and being a part of our wonderful choir, the time is now! Call the rectory for more details.

**St. Joseph Feast** --at Our Lady of All Souls Church 21 Barton St. W.... on Thursday March 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 with a Solemn Mass celebrated his Excellency Bishop Joseph Dabrowski, CSMA., followed by the Table of St. Joseph in the Parish Hall. For more info. Please call All Souls Parish Office at 905 -528 -1513.

**The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass** - Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2026? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Dabrowski and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 31, 2026 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 is found under Upcoming Events on the home page at hamiltondiocese.com, or call Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.



All ladies of the parish are invited to come out and join in the Share Lent Lunch, hosted by the Catholic Women's League on Sunday March 1, 2026 after the 11am Mass in the parish hall at Blessed Sacrament Church. We welcome all members and non-members to join us. Please bring some bread and fruit to share. The soup will be provided.



**FUNDSCRIP** Gift Cards are on sale now! Once again the CWL will be placing an order for the FundScrip Gift Cards. These make excellent birthday and wedding gifts and can be used for your everyday purchases. Order forms are available in the church narthex, in the parish office or you can even have one emailed to you! Full payment must accompany your order. The deadline for orders is **MONDAY MARCH 23, 2026**. Thank you for supporting the CWL and the charitable works that they support both locally and abroad!



St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Waterdown (715 Centre Road) invites all parishioners to a Lenten Retreat preached by Cardinal Collins on Saturday, March 7, beginning at 12:00 noon.

Schedule for the Day: 12:00 PM – Light lunch

1:00 PM – Adoration

1:30 PM – First Talk by Cardinal Collins

2:30 PM – Rosary

3:00 PM – Second Talk by Cardinal Collins

Confessions – Available throughout the retreat

5:00 PM – Holy Mass celebrated by Cardinal Collins

Registration is required. Please register by email at [stthomaswaterdown@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:stthomaswaterdown@hamiltondiocese.com) or by phone 905-689-4857. ALL are WELCOME

**Good Friday Rosary** – this Good Friday April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2PM in the church come and join the Legion of Mary with a youth lead rosary of the Sorrowful Mysteries. All parishioners are Welcome.

**For the youth** - There will be two-1 hour long practices scheduled March 20<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the parish hall and March 29<sup>th</sup> at 10am in the church.

**Trip to Puglia, Italy**---Fr. Mark Gatto, along with Deacon Tom Vert, will be leading a trip experience to Puglia, Italy. September 20 to October 1, 2026. There is a limit of 40 people able to join this group. Only a few spots remain. If you are interested, email or speak with Fr. Mark for more information. The Itinerary Brochure is also available at the St. Catherine of Siena Parish office. [mgatto@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mgatto@hamiltondiocese.com)

**Parenting Tip for March**.....Parenting is a profound vocation, one that requires great stamina and loads of love. Fortunately, God has provided parents with both! Character is at the forefront of all parenting because our kids are watching more than listening! The task of parents, once they bring life into this world, is to center themselves on guiding their child(ren) to maturity. It is a job that requires ongoing learning, teaching and always witnessing to our faith. No one has a greater influence on a child than their parents. Embrace your vocation with dedication and perseverance. Ask God for guidance and support and be confident that your children, by observing you, will learn to be wonderful, faith filled adults whose lives will be find joy and success! (Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)