



**Mass Schedule and Intentions
May 04 - 10**

Tuesday

Wednesday Saint Francois de Laval

Thursday

Friday Blessed Catherine of St. Augustine

Saturday

**Sunday Mother's Day
The Parishioners of St. Joseph**

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

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| Monday | Rev. Jeffery Oehring |
| Tuesday | Rev. Henryk Krajewski, C.R. |
| Wednesday | Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul (S.O.C.) |
| Thursday | Rev. Michael Kruszewski, C.R. |
| Friday | Rev. Francesco Cucchi |
| Saturday | Rev. Vincent Kim Van Toan |

Deceased Loved Ones

Let us remember in prayer our brothers and sisters in Christ who have died:

Antonio Aires

May they rest in the peace of Christ.

PARISH SUPPORT

Next Pre-Authorized Giving withdrawal – May 15th.

A big "Thank you" to all who contributed generously to the Special Easter Offering and to the regular Sunday Offerings in these weeks of "shut down".

May God reward your sacrifices.



The Good Shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them. Is He asking you to help others to find Him? Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, especially for the Diocese of Hamilton, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation at 905-528-7988 or email mking@hamiltondiocese.com

Next Week's Liturgical Readings

May 10, 2020 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

- 1) Acts 6:1-7
- 2) 1 Peter 2:4-9
- 3) John 14:1-12

FOCUS: We are living stones aligned with Christ, the cornerstone.

Let the Church rejoice as we, the living body of Christ, have recently welcomed many sisters and brothers, new members of the household of faith. Let us encourage those newly joined to us in the sacraments of baptism and confirmation to fully live their new identity as part of a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading, the Twelve choose seven reputable men to be their assistants and serve at table. In his letter, Peter writes that all who have faith are to be living stones, imitating Christ. In John's Gospel, Jesus declares himself the way and the truth and the life, calling those who believe in him to do the works he does.

MONTH OF MAY

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Joseph,
The month of May is traditionally devoted to Mary. Many of us are in the habit of praying the rosary. Pope Francis is asking Catholics worldwide to make a special effort this May to pray the rosary, knowing that by doing so we will be united with believers around the world asking for Mary's intercession in stopping the coronavirus pandemic.

Francis says: "Contemplating the face of Christ with the heart of Mary, our mother, will make us more united as a spiritual family and will help us overcome this time of trial."

Pope Francis wrote two prayers to Mary that point to her closeness to her son and to us. They are for the end of the coronavirus and for all affected by the pandemic. You will find both prayers on our website, on our Facebook page, and in an email from me.

I join Pope Francis, fervently asking you to be a part of this "prayer crusade" with fellow parishioners and people around the world for the month of May, reciting the rosary and these prayers afterward. We can pray individually or as families gathered at home, and at whatever time is convenient. Be safe: be healthy and happy and holy children of God.

Blessings of the Risen Lord.

Fr. Brian and the pastoral team

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