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Diocese of Hamilton

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Parish Office Hours

Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Weekday Liturgy Schedule

Tuesday Evening: 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening: 7:00 p.m.
Thursday & Friday Mornings: 8:30 a.m.
Saturday Morning: 9:00 a.m. (excluding August)
Please check inside for schedule changes.

Wednesday:
Office Closed

Saturday Liturgy: 9:00 a.m. & 5:00 p.m. Sunday Liturgy: 10:00 a.m.

Adoration and Mass: First Friday of each month.
Mass at 7:00 p.m.

Pastor

Father Stefano Lee

Parish Office Administrator

Claire Rouleau

Business Administrator

David Agnew

Custodian

Kabsoo Park

Divine Mercy

Chapel Coordinator

Sandra Nakluski
226-789-1259

Parish School

St. Teresa School
Principal: Pamela Baillie
Secretary: Mena Carnevale
519-743-2131

NEW PARISHIONERS: WELCOME! Please introduce yourself to Father Stefano Lee and complete a registration form located in the pamphlet rack at the church doors.

PARISH RECORDS: Our parish records are very important and we try to keep them as up to date as possible. Please advise the Parish Secretary if you change your address or telephone number.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Please contact the Parish Office for an appointment. Baptisms will be scheduled for the last Sunday of the month. Please contact the pastor to schedule individual baptisms.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
6:30-6:50 p.m. on Wednesdays, 8:30-8:50 a.m. and 4:30-4:50 p.m. on Saturdays.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:
Engaged couples contact Parish Priest one year in advance.

HOSPITAL & HOME VISIT/SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:
Please inform the parish office to arrange a pastoral visit. For hospital emergencies, a priest is always on call through the hospitals.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:
Monday to Friday - 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Divine Mercy Chapel and First Fridays at 6:00 p.m. in the church.

PARISH BULLETIN: News items for the bulletin must be into the parish office *in writing* by noon on Sunday.

Vocations: www.vocationinfo.ca

Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Hamilton: www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca

PARISH BEQUEST: *Keep your love for your parish alive! Please remember St. Teresa of Avila Parish in your Will and when recommending your expressions of sympathy.*

Series – Catechism of the Catholic Church

Paragraph 7. The Fall

Man’s first sin (cont’d)

404 How did the sin of Adam become the sin of all his descendants? the whole human race is in Adam "as one body of one man".²⁹³ By this "unity of the human race" all men are implicated in Adam's sin, as all are implicated in Christ's justice. Still, the transmission of original sin is a mystery that we cannot fully understand. But we do know by Revelation that Adam had received original holiness and justice not for himself alone, but for all human nature. By yielding to the tempter, Adam and Eve committed a personal sin, but this sin affected the human nature that they would then transmit in a fallen state.²⁹⁴ It is a sin which will be transmitted by propagation to all mankind, that is, by the transmission of a human nature deprived of original holiness and justice. and that is why original sin is called "sin" only in an analogical sense: it is a sin "contracted" and not "committed" - a state and not an act.

405 Although it is proper to each individual,²⁹⁵ original sin does not have the character of a personal fault in any of Adam's descendants. It is a deprivation of original holiness and justice, but human nature has not been totally corrupted: it is wounded in the natural powers proper to it, subject to ignorance, suffering and the dominion of death, and inclined to sin - an inclination to evil that is called concupiscence". Baptism, by imparting the life of Christ's grace, erases original sin and turns a man back towards God, but the consequences for nature, weakened and inclined to evil, persist in man and summon him to spiritual battle.

406 The Church's teaching on the transmission of original sin was articulated more precisely in the fifth century, especially under the impulse of St. Augustine's reflections against Pelagianism, and in the sixteenth century, in opposition to the Protestant Reformation. Pelagius held that man could, by the natural power of free will and without the necessary help of God's grace, lead a morally good life; he thus reduced the influence of Adam's fault to bad example. the first Protestant reformers, on the contrary, taught that original sin has radically perverted man and destroyed his freedom; they identified the sin inherited by each man with the tendency to evil (concupiscentia), which would be insurmountable. the Church pronounced on the meaning of the data of Revelation on original sin especially at the second

Council of Orange (529)²⁹⁶ and at the Council of Trent (1546).²⁹⁷

Taken from: vatican.va/archive/ENG0015/_INDEX.HTM

<p>Mass Intentions May 11, 2026 – May 17, 2026</p> <p>Tuesday, May 12, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.</p> <p>Wednesday, May 13, 2026 – 7:00 p.m. + Delmar Ferreira – Citelia Ferreira</p> <p>Thursday, May 14, 2026 – 8:30 a.m. Intentions of the Goveia Family – Citelia Ferreira</p> <p>Friday, May 15, 2026 – 8:30 a.m.</p> <p>Saturday, May 16, 2026 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. – + Ludwig & David Ceh – Theresa Ceh</p> <p>Sunday, May 17, 2026 – 10:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish</p>
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<p>Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar</p> <p>May 11 – Rev. Michael McHugh</p> <p>May 12 – Very Re. Aleksander Mazur, S.A.C <i>Canada Health Day</i></p> <p>May 13 – Seminarians</p> <p>May 14 – Rev. Msgr. Earl Talbot</p> <p>May 15 – Rev. Rajesh Madtha, O.C.D.</p> <p>May 16 – Rev. Peter Meyer</p> <p>May 17 – The Ascension of the Lord <i>World Communications Day</i></p>

<p>Stewardship Report – May 3rd, 2026</p> <p>Sunday Offerings.....\$ 1,763.00</p> <p>Building & Maintenance.....\$ 129.15</p> <p>Baptism Donation.....\$ 150.00</p> <p>Votives.....\$ 20.75</p> <p>April Direct Deposit Donations.....\$ 1,331.00</p> <p>April E-transfer Donations.....\$ 150.00</p> <p>April CanadaHelps.....\$ 267.18</p> <p>April Hall Rental.....\$ 250.00</p>

We are most appreciative of your ongoing prayerful and financial support for our parish, especially during our present time of financial need.

Donations to the parish can be made through the use of Sunday Offertory envelopes, Pre-Authorized Giving, E-Transfer, and CanadaHelps. When you are traveling, please consider switching to E-transfer donations in your absence.

If you require further information on how to give, please contact the parish office, or visit the parish website for more details.

Parish Announcements

Mother's Day Message

We wish all the mothers in our parish and community an abundance of God's blessings this Mother's Day!

~
Fr. Stefano & Parish Staff



Office Hours – May 15th & 18th

Please note that the parish office will be closed on Friday, May 15th and Monday, May 18th. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, May 19th.

Lectio Divina

Our parish is providing weekly copies of the Lectio Divina for parishioners. If you are interested, please take a copy from the counter in the Narthex. Copies are made available on Tuesdays or Wednesdays every week.

First Holy Communion Information and Schedule

First Holy Communion will take place on May 30th at the 5:00 p.m. Mass and May 31st at the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Confirmation Information and Schedule

We are now preparing students to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on May 21st at 7:00 p.m. The Confirmation Retreat and Rehearsal will take place on May 14th at 7:00 p.m.

Parish Sacrament of Reconciliation Changes

Parish confession times have been updated to reflect our parish needs. Confessions will now be offered from 6:30 to 6:50 p.m. on Wednesdays and 8:30 to 8:50 a.m. and 4:30 to 4:50 p.m. on Saturdays.

Connecting with a Priest While in Hospital

Parishioners who are hospitalized and require a priest are encouraged to notify the hospital nurses, who will connect you with the chaplain. If the chaplain unavailable, they will help you connect with the on-call priest. If the on-call priest is unavailable, please contact Fr. Stefano by calling (519) 743-4525.

Anniversary Blessing

Married couples celebrating an anniversary who wish to have their marriage blessed and do vow renewals,

please contact the parish office to arrange with Fr. Stefano.

World Youth Day Delegations

At this time we are looking for parish delegations (ages 18-35) to go to WYD, as well as donations to support. If you are interested, please contact Fr. Stefano.

Diocese Announcements

World Youth Day Seoul 2027

The young people of the world have begun their preparations to meet with the Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV at the 41st International Celebration of World Youth Day, Seoul, South Korea. To learn more about this pilgrimage of faith, visit: <https://wydseoul.org/en>. Join us in praying for all young people discerning their participation from our Diocese.

Youth Ministry Certification Program

We are currently accepting enrollment for the Youth Ministry Certification Program, which begins in September 2025. To review a full course list and for more information, please visit: www.hamiltondioceselearns.com

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. Catechists formed in this method usually go on to work with 3–6-year-olds in a parish or school, or are involved in ministries such as RCIA, Children's Liturgy of the Word, and preparation for the sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion. For more information: www.cgsac.ca/Courses/LevelOne.

Wisdom of the Saints

“Christian joy is a gift of God flowing from a good conscience.”

– St. Philip Neri

Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention for May 2026

That everyone might have food:

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

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