

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
May 11th, 2025

The reading from Acts shows that St. Paul’s policy was to preach to the Jews first, because they were the chosen people. But when they reject his message, he turns to the Gentiles. In this way the prophecy that the light of salvation would reach the ends of the earth was fulfilled. Jesus is the True Shepherd, and will not allow anyone to snatch from His care the sheep that belong to Him. (Gospel Reading) He will give them eternal life. What does belonging to Him entail? It entails listening to His voice and following Him.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 11 th <i>4th Sunday of Easter</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Linwood)</i>	
Monday, May 12 th <i>Sts. Nereus & Achilleus</i>	-	-	-
Tuesday, May 13 th <i>Our Lady of Fatima</i>	9 am	+ <i>Karen Dietrich</i>	By Tom & family
Wednesday, May 14 th <i>St. Matthias</i>	12 pm 4 pm	+ <i>Debbie Wood</i> + <i>Alvin Runstedler</i> (Linwood)	By Murray & Sharon Runstedler By the Family
Thursday, May 15 th <i>Easter</i>	9 am	+ <i>Diane Hinschberger</i>	By Tom, Gloria & Ann D.
Friday, May 16 th <i>Easter</i>	9 am	+ <i>Wayne Vollmer & the intentions of his family</i>	By Murray & Sharon Runstedler
Saturday, May 17 th <i>Easter</i>	5 pm	+ <i>David Jewell</i> + <i>Mary-Margaret (Muggs) Murtha</i>	By Cathy Fleischhauer By Peter & Orella Miller + family
Sunday, May 18 th <i>5th Sunday of Easter</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Linwood)</i>	

History of the Catholic Church (#74) – Belief in the real presence of Jesus – Body and Blood – under the form of bread and wine continued to animate the faithful at Mass (as it was called from the 5th century on). No orthodox spokesman of the early Church, in fact, ever subscribed to a mere symbolic interpretation of the rite. But there was as yet no official formulation to describe the nature of the change that took (takes) place in the bread and wine. This only happened in the Middle Ages, with the definition of the tenet of transubstantiation.

SPRING CLEANUP – Thank you to all who showed up to help with the yard clean-up!

ROSES FOR LIFE – The Knights of Columbus is having their Rose Sunday today, and will be selling rose lapels after Mass to raise money for pro-life organizations and activities. The red rose signifies our opposition to abortion while the white rose is the international symbol opposing euthanasia.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION – The next meeting is this Saturday, May 17th at 10am.

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN – This Mother’s Day to Father’s Day, we’re supporting Marillac Place’s Baby Bottle Campaign to help young mothers and their children experiencing homelessness in our community. Last year, Marillac Place provided safe housing and support to 45 women and 31 children. With your help, they also delivered 247 Life Skills sessions on budgeting, cooking, parenting, and more—empowering families to thrive. Pick up a baby bottle next weekend or give online using the QR code on the poster on our bulletin board.

HEARTACHE TO HEALING GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP – Grief support provides companionship on the long journey through the grief process. Our support group follows the process developed by Dr. Bill Webster, an experienced leader in grief counselling. All who have suffered a loss are welcome, regardless of how much time has passed since your loss. A monthly informal drop-in support is available at the parish on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7pm in the Parish Resource Centre/Library. St. Michael’s is also offering a more detailed 6-week program, When Life Changes (Part 1), which will run on Wednesday evenings (6 consecutive weeks) from - May 14 - June 18 2025. Registration is required by early May for this program by contacting our Parish office 519-884-9311, or email parish@stmichaelw.ca.

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/Level One or contact the course registrar: therese.wright8591@gmail.com.

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR – Please remember the following in your prayers: Rev. Joe S. Selvanayagam, Rev. Anton Sebamalai, Sisters Servant of Mary Immaculate, SSMI, Rev. Msgr. Earl Talbot, Rev. Peter Meyer, & Rev. Timothy Higgins.

VOCATION SEEDS – On this Good Shepherd Sunday we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com Website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

LAST WEEK’S COLLECTION – St. Clements \$2,535.00. Thank you for your generosity!