

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD
April 20th, 2025

Today’s Gospel tells us about the discovery of the empty tomb. The empty tomb (with the discarded linen cloths) in itself is not the ultimate and direct proof of the resurrection. Nevertheless, it was the first step towards establishing the truth that Jesus had escaped the bonds of death, and it prepared His disciples to encounter the risen Lord. Many of the readings of the Easter cycle were meant to instruct the newly baptised on the Christian way of life. Today’s Second Reading and its alternative are good examples. Thus the Easter season provides us with an opportunity to reflect on what it means to be baptised members of Christ’s Body. The Lord is risen! Happy Easter!

MASS SCHEDULE

	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Linwood)</i>	
Monday, April 21 st <i>Easter Octave</i>	-	-	-
Tuesday, April 22 nd <i>Easter Octave</i>	9 am	<i>Intentions of Anthony Vollmer</i>	By the Family
Wednesday, April 23 rd <i>Easter Octave</i>	12 pm 4 pm	+ <i>John & Rita Black</i> <i>C A N C E L E D</i> (Linwood)	By John & Christine Dixon
Thursday, April 24 th <i>Easter Octave</i>	9 am	+ <i>Florence Meyer</i>	By Ken & Jim Meyer
Friday, April 25 th <i>Easter Octave</i>	9 am	<i>Intentions of Mrs. Christine Dixon & Mrs. Jenn Sheppard (in thanksgiving for teaching the First Communion class)</i>	By Amelia Coughlin-Lang
Saturday, April 26 th <i>Easter Octave</i>	5 pm	+ <i>Arthur Schueler</i> <i>Intentions of Barb Campbell</i>	By Jack & Eva Schueler By Diane Dietrich
Sunday, April 27 th <i>Divine Mercy Sunday</i>	9 am 11 am 3 pm	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Linwood)</i> <i>Divine Mercy Hour</i>	-

History of the Catholic Church (#71) – In their attitude toward worship as in other respects, Christians stood apart from the pagan world. They had no special places or temples; or in in the words of Minucius Felix: “We have no shrines or altars.” As St. Paul told them: “You are the temple of the living God.” The place where they worshiped had no particular importance in itself – it was usually just a large room in one of the member’s homes; the whole focus was on the worshipping and praying community itself. But as time passed and as their numbers grew, larger, spacious buildings took the place of the simple rooms. The Eucharist was no longer consecrated on a simple table but on a massive and ornate altar made of precious marbles and studded with gems.

FIRST COMMUNION – Please join us in praying for the children who will be receiving their First Holy Communion this coming Sunday, April 27th at 11:30 am.

WHEN LIFE CHANGES – Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person’s presence in your life? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? You are not alone! The Hamilton Diocese is offering our six-week grief program, facilitated by Deacon Leonard Gallant, from April 23rd to May 28th, 2025. The program runs from 7:00-8:30 pm at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West.in Hamilton Register at hamiltondiocese.com and look for the start date under upcoming events on the home page.

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH – Life is busy, sometimes so busy that we forget to make time every day to connect with our spouse. Demands on our time can make it seem impossible, but it is necessary to help love thrive. We must make a choice to put our couple relationship into our agendas. Spend time at the beginning or end of each day to touch base on what is going on in our lives, pray together each day, book date nights (at home and/or out of the home), enjoy a coffee together, take a walk, just the two of you. Relationships of any kind need both quality and quantity time; make sure you have both to keep your marriage strong.

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR – Please remember the following in your prayers: Most Rev. Wayne Lobsinger, Rev. Andrew Quarshie, Jesuit Fathers, SJ, Rev. Adam Wroblewicz, CR, Rev. Dominic Thomas, CMI, & Rev. Ross Campbell.

VOCATION SEEDS The Lord is risen, it is true! Through our baptism He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Pray for those who herald the Good News as priests, deacons and religious brothers and sisters. If God is calling you contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

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

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