

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

May 17th, 2026

the Resurrection, the Ascension, and the giving of the Holy Spirit are part of the same event. In one action that goes beyond earthly time, Jesus emerges from the tomb, returns to the Father, and gives the Spirit. However, from the viewpoint of the first disciples, who continued to live on within time, these actions are described as having taken place at different times: they found the tomb empty on Sunday morning; the Risen Lord appeared to them on that day or subsequently; the termination of the appearances caused them to realise that Jesus was now permanently with God; and they received the Spirit. The theological meaning of this feast is expressed in the Second Reading: God has glorified Jesus, raising Him above all earthly powers, and making Him Head of the Church and Lord of creation. In both the First Reading and the Gospel Jesus gives a mission and makes a promise to His followers... to us! **“And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”**

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, May 17 th <i>Ascension of the Lord</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Linwood)</i>	
Monday, May 18 th <i>St. John I</i>	-	-	-
Tuesday, May 19 th <i>Easter</i>	9 am	<i>Intentions of Bertha Hehn</i>	By the Family
Wednesday, May 20 th <i>St. Bernardine of Siena</i>	12 pm 4 pm	+ <i>Doris Hartman</i> + <i>Alvin Runstedler (Linwood)</i>	By Christian Mothers By Ann Runstedler & family
Thursday, May 21 st <i>St. Christopher Magallanes</i>	9 am	+ <i>Len & Florence Meyer</i>	By Ken & Jim Meyer
Friday, May 22 nd <i>St. Rita of Cascia</i>	9 am	<i>Intentions of Barb Runstedler</i>	By Natalie Runstedler
Saturday, May 23 rd <i>Easter</i>	5 pm	+ <i>Rita Miller</i> + <i>Urszula Kaczor & Zbigniew Kulik</i>	By Tom Miller By the Family
Sunday, May 24 th <i>Pentecost</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Linwood)</i>	

History of the Catholic Church (#116) – But Julian’s anti-Christian reaction failed. His mechanical assemblage of outdated ideas and foreign importations could not be given the breath of life; it was no match for the simple but vital Christian message. It could not compete with a religion that freed man from rituals and statutory morality in order to serve and love his neighbor as himself in imitation of his divine master, Jesus Christ. After a brief reign Julian came to an inglorious end in 363 on the sands of Mesopotamia after being struck by a Persian arrow. His death marked the definitive triumph of Christianity in the Empire.

ST. CLEMENT'S MEN' GROUP – Calling all men of our Parish. The next Men's night will be Friday May 29 at 8 PM. (Note date change) We will gather together for Adoration and a short bible study, followed with social time. Please join us to strengthen our Parish through prayer and fellowship. For more info, contact John Dixon (519-498-0093).

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN FOR MARILLAC PLACE! – This Sunday marks the beginning of the Baby Bottle Campaign. From Mother’s Day (May 10, 2026) through Father’s Day (June 21, 2026), churches across Waterloo Region will come together to help ensure that babies in our community begin life in safety and stability. When housing instability affects a mother during pregnancy or early childhood, the impact on a baby’s development can last for years. A safe, stable start changes everything. Over the next several weeks, we invite your congregation to fill their bottles and return them by Father’s Day. Every contribution helps provide safe housing and support for mothers and babies at Marillac Place. Together, we are helping ensure that no baby starts life homeless. Thank you again for your partnership.

ST. CLEMENT’S SUPPORTS FOOD4KIDS – During the month of May, the Christian Mothers will be sponsoring a food drive in our Parish to support Food4Kids Waterloo Region. Food4Kids is a charitable organization which provides packages of healthy food to children ages 1-14 living with severe food insecurity. We are requesting donations of peanut butter of any kind (including non peanut brands such as Wow Butter to support children with allergies). Bins will be located at the entrance to the church for the month of May for donations. For more information please contact Donna at 519.699.5061. Thank you!

WORLD YOUTH DAY SEOUL 2027 – Bishop Dabrowski is sending a delegation of young adults (aged 18-35) to World Youth Day in the summer of 2027 in Seoul, South Korea. World Youth Day (WYD) is the gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope. It is also a pilgrimage, a celebration of youth, an expression of the universal Church and an intense moment of evangelization for the world. For more information about WYD and how to join our delegation please visit: <https://wyd.hamiltondiocese.com/>.

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR – Please remember the following in your prayers: Rev. Veselko Kvesic, OFM, Rev. Christopher Tarcey, Barnabite Fathers, CRSP, Single Catholics, Rev. Krzysztof Szkubera, CR, & Rev. Henryk Krajewski, CR.

VOCATION SEEDS – Jesus said, “Remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” If you are discerning God’s call for the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life, 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 \$4,620.00 Thank you for your generosity!