

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
November 16th, 2025

As the liturgical year draws to a close, the focus is on the end of the world and the Second Coming of Christ. The prophet Malachi (First Rading) says that for evildoers the Day of the Lord will be a day of judgement; but for the upright it will be a day of salvation. His stark message was meant to act as a warning to sinners and as an encouragement to the just. The Second Reading also relates to the Second Coming. Some of the Thessalonians, believing that the parousia was imminent, saw no need to work. Presenting himself as an example, St. Paul tells them to go on living and working as normal, and not be content to live off the community. St. Luke talks about the parousia in close association with the destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple. The destruction of the Temple, which Jesus had predicted, had already occurred by the time Luke was writing. This would have been interpreted by some as a sign that the end of the world was starting. But Luke reminds them of the words of Jesus, in which He warned His disciples not to be deceived by rumours and apparent signs that the end was near. The Gospel goes on to address the situation of Christians in a time of persecution. Persecution will be an opportunity to bear witness to the Gospel. The Lord Himself will see to it that believers will triumph in the end, provided they remain faithful and steadfast.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 16 th <i>33rd Sunday in OT</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Linwood)</i>	
Monday, November 17 th <i>St. Elizabeth of Hungary</i>	-	-	-
Tuesday, November 18 th <i>Dedication of Sts. Peter & Paul</i>	9 am	+ <i>Henryk & Stefania Koziak</i>	By Fr. Irenaeus
Wednesday, November 19 th <i>Ordinary Time</i>	12 pm 4 pm	+ <i>John & Rita Black</i> + <i>Sharon Basler</i>	By John & Christine Dixon By Chris & Barb Runstedler
Thursday, November 20 th <i>Ordinary Time</i>	9 am	+ <i>Margaret Rettinger</i>	By Christians Mothers
Friday, November 21 st <i>Presentation of the BV Mary</i>	9 am	+ <i>Wayne Vollmer</i>	By the Family
Saturday, November 22 nd <i>St. Cecilia</i>	5 pm	+ <i>Michael Hehn</i>	By Geraldine Grubb
Sunday, November 23 rd <i>Jesus Christ – King of the Universe</i>	9 am 11 am	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i> <i>Missa Pro Populo (Linwood)</i>	

History of the Catholic Church (#92) – The controversy (heresy) went on. On one side were the Nicenes, under their leader, Athanasius, bishop of Alexandria, who defended the term. Opposed were a mixed group, mainly Greek-speaking churchmen, some of whom were Arain, but the majority merely conservatives who simply preferred the traditional lack of definition and objected to the Nicene homoousios as a novelty and a departure from pure biblical terminology. They were also for the most part followers of Origen in emphasizing the distinctions in the Godhead.

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX CAMPAIGN – This year we are participating in Operation Christmas Child, organized by Samaritan’s Purse. Shoeboxes are available at the back of the church along with pamphlets outlining the program and how to fill the box. These boxes are sent around the world to children who may never receive a gift in their lives. Filled boxes to be returned to the back of the church by Nov. 22nd - 23rd. Thank you for your generosity.

FEAST OF ST. CLEMENT POTLUCK – Join us in the church hall on Sunday, Nov. 23rd at noon for a potluck gathering to celebrate the feast of our patron saint!

WOMEN’S ADVENT RETREAT – All women of the parish are invited to join us for a Women’s Advent Retreat on Monday, December 1st at 7pm in the church hall. Come join us as we prepare our hearts for Christmas! Doors open at 6pm with light refreshments for those wishing to mingle prior to the retreat starting. Karen Doyle will lead our retreat. Free will offering.

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS CHRISTMAS DINNER – On Wed., Dec. 3 at Bonnie Lou’s Restaurant in Floradale, ON. Doors open at 4:30, dinner served at 5pm. All women of the parish are invited to our Annual Christmas Dinner for a delicious buffet meal of pecan salad, turkey and cranberry sauce, roast beef, vegetables and mashed potatoes, coleslaw, dinner roll, dessert, & coffee/tea. \$25/person includes tax and tip! Please RSVP by Monday, November 24th by emailing Donna at christianmothers.stc@gmail.com or calling 519-699-5061.

2025-26 MISSALS – The new missals are available for a purchase price of \$7. See Fr. Irenaeus in the sacristy after Mass or stop by the office. Please bring exact change.

A WALK WITH JESUS RETREAT DAY FOR GRIEVING PARENTS – The loss of a child is a most challenging event in the life of any parent. This grief is acute and challenging and never truly leaves us. The Diocese of Hamilton invites you to join us as we welcome Deacon Henry DeMena from North Carolina to join us in facilitating a retreat day for parents who have lost a child through death. Whether the loss is recent or some time ago, we invite you to join us for this day of healing and support. The retreat will be offered at the Basilica of Our Lady in Guelph from 9am - 4pm on Saturday, November 22nd. The \$20 fee includes lunch. Registration is required so we know how many to set up for and how much lunch to order. You can register on the Diocesan home page at hamiltondiocese.com under upcoming events (look for the title of the retreat or the date), or by calling the office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR – Please remember the following in your prayers: Rev. Rev. Robert Kavelj, OFM, Rev. Stipe Rotim, OFM, Deceased members of our parish community, Rev. Ljubo Branimir Lebo, OFM, Ref. Ilija Petkovic, & Rev. Vinko Nenadic.

VOCATION SEEDS – “By your endurance you will gain your souls.” Be patient with yourself and with God as you await the sign of your call. 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 \$3,970.00. Thank you for your generosity!