

# Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2026 ~ Liturgical Year A

## Mass Intentions

✠ **March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026, to April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

As we gather, let us remember and pray for . . .

**Monday.....NO MASS..... March 30<sup>th</sup>**

**Tuesday..... March 31<sup>st</sup>**

**8:00 am** ✠ Sante, Filomena & Nadia Alonzi (by Rosamaria Alomzi)  
✠ Johnny Biancanello (by Vince Addario)

**Wednesday.....April 1<sup>st</sup>**

**8:00 am** ✠ Michelina Nardelli (by Family)  
✠ Holy Souls in Purgatory (by Isabel & Joseph Schackmann)

**7:00pm Sung Evening Prayer with the Niagara Men's Schola**

**Thursday.....The Lord's Supper..... April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**7:00 pm** ♥ ✠ For the Living & Deceased Priests of OLHR

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AFTER  
MASS UNTIL 10:00PM**

**Friday.....The Passion of The Lord..... April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**11:00 am** Children & Family - Good Friday Service  
**3:00pm** The Passion of The Lord (**in English**)

**6:00pm Stations of the Cross (in Italian)**

**Saturday.....April 4<sup>th</sup>**

**12:00 Noon** Blessing of Easter Foods  
**8:00pm** Easter Vigil

♥ ✠ The People of Holy Rosary Parish

**Sunday..... The Resurrection of The Lord.....April 5<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00 am** ♥ ✠ The People of Holy Rosary Parish  
**9:30 am** ✠ Antonio & Amelia Mazza (by Vince & Giselda Mazza)  
✠ Damiano & Maria LePera (by Vince & Giselda Mazza)  
**11:00 am** ✠ Irene Lizzotti (by Family)  
✠ Antonio Addario (Vince Addario)

## SANCTUARY LAMP:

This week's Sanctuary Lamp is donated in memory of **Geraldine Anne Claire Kogler**. The Sanctuary lamp is lit to remind us of Christ's presence in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.

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## Pope s' Prayer Intention for the Month of April For priests in crisis:

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

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**GOOD FRIDAY:** As our Lenten Journey draws to a closed, we are reminded that **good friday is a universal day of fasting and Abstinence from meat.**

➤ We welcome, with great joy, our newly baptized, **Lilah Rain Mirkoviv and Carter Daniel Lagault**, who joined our Parish family. May God bless these new members and their families as they live as followers of Jesus Christ.

**EASTER FLOWERS & DECOR DONATION:** Donation can be made in memory of a loved one by using the **Flowers for Easter envelope** from your **envelope box set**. Please list their names at the back of the envelope. If you have not yet requested an offertory envelope box set, please use any envelope and label it "**Flowers for Easter**," list their names and also, clearly write your name and address for a tax receipt purpose.

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## 🌷 Spring Flower Fundraiser Announcement 🌸

**Spring Flower Fundraiser** featuring your choice of potted **tulips, daffodils, or hyacinths**—perfect for brightening your home or gifting to someone special.

Each vibrant **6-inch** pot is just **\$15**, and all proceeds will support our church basement renovation.

Pre-orders with payment will be taken at the entrances of the church after all weekend Masses or at the parish office. **Orders will close Friday April 17 and pick up will be on Sunday April 26 after each Mass in the Church Hall.**

Thank you for supporting our church community

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## EMMAUS YOUTH ADULT MINISTRY (Tuesdays, 7-9pm, St. Denis Church)

**This Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026**, the young adults of the diocese invite you to **join us for prayer, formation, and fellowship at St. Denis Church, 230 Lake Street, St. Catharines**. For more information, contact Fr. Daniel at [corso.danielanthony@gmail.com](mailto:corso.danielanthony@gmail.com) or follow us on [Instagram@emmaus.ya](https://www.instagram.com/emmaus.ya)

## ROSARY LEGACY:

Parishioners are invited to look at the presentation at the back of the church, which shows the Rosary Beads that will encircle the Basement Hall. The Rosary beads (Plaques) can be dedicated in memory of a loved ones. Look at the chart and pick your bead for your loved ones. Thank you for your generosity!

**CONDOLENCES** We extend sincere condolences and prayers to the families and friends who mourn the recent loss of **Anthony Celima and Connie McCluskey**. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen!

**OFFICE CLOSED:** The parish office will be closed from Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026 at 12:00pm/ Noon. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026.



## Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Catholic Women's League

Krispy Kreme Donuts! Last Day to Order!  
Julia will take orders after the 11 am Mass...  
Limited quantities available for walk ins....  
Pick Up: Sunday April 5 12:00 pm -2:00 pm



## OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Easter 2026

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

At the beginning of the Easter Vigil, the ancient hymn the *Exsultet* is proclaimed. In one of the verses of this ancient hymn, we find the following words, "O truly necessary sin of Adam, destroyed completely by the Death of Christ! O happy fault that earned so great, so glorious a redeemer!".

Heaven and earth are called to exult because of God's triumph over sin and death. From this passage, we are also called to joyfully acknowledge the theological paradox found in the fact that without the sin of Adam, we would not have received "so glorious a redeemer". This 'happy fault' (*felix culpa*) created something very good in the coming of Jesus Christ.

As we look around us today, we see a world that seems to be filled with many 'faults' that do not make us very happy. The world has been redeemed in Christ; however, the effects of sin are still with us.

The Feast of Easter celebrates the Resurrection of Jesus and reminds us that from death comes life. We celebrate the fact that something good can come from something bad and that sadness can be transformed to joy.

When faced with the growing hostility and insecurity in our world, our response should not be one of passive resignation or fear. We need to turn to our Risen Lord who has triumphed over sin and evil. We should focus on the good that is found in our salvation — "O truly necessary sin of Adam, destroyed completely by the Death of Christ!"

We are called to model Mary Magdalene who, after encountering the Risen Jesus, proceeded to tell others, "I have seen the Lord" (John 20:18). To witness to Christ points the world to what is good, true, and beautiful as a counter to sin, confusion, and the ugliness of war and conflict. Jesus brings hope that things can change for the better because we have been redeemed.

Our diocese has embarked on a Pastoral Plan that focuses on a simple mission. We want to set hearts on fire with God's love. As faithful disciples of Jesus, we all have a role in this task which is at the heart of evangelization.

Let us adjust our gaze from a world that is mired in the effects of sin to the Risen Lord who offers healing and hope. This Easter, let us call others to do the same, especially our family members and friends.

"O happy fault that earned so great, so glorious a redeemer!".

Wish prayerful best wishes for a blessed Easter, I remain,

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Gerard Bergie, D.D.  
Bishop of St. Catharines

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## GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION – MARCH 27<sup>TH</sup>, 2026

The annual Good Friday collection is the only yearly request asked by the Holy See of dioceses and parishioners throughout the world. The collection helps the Church of the Holy Land to maintain Christian sites, so important for Christians everywhere, and to provide pastoral, educational, and social works among the small Christian population. The Church and our Christian brothers and sisters count on your help to retain a faith filled Christian presence in this land of our Lord. **Please give generously.**

## CHRISM MASS

This Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Bergie, joined by the Priests of the Diocese, on Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup> at 7:30 pm at the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria, (3 Lyman Street, St. Catharines). This Mass manifests the unity of the Priests with their Bishop. You are all invited in this beautiful Mass!

## GARDEN FEST

Mark your calendars for April 17, 18 & 19 and get ready for Garden Fest. The 6th annual fertilizer, grass seed, and compost fundraising sale hosted by the Knights of Columbus 2319 will take place in the Holy Rosary Hall parking lot; Fri. April 17, 4 pm - 7 pm; Sat. April 18, 9 am - 4 pm; Sun. April 19, 9 am - 1 pm. Whether you're prepping your lawn, planting your garden, or giving your yard a fresh start this spring, you will find great deals on quality products; all while supporting local causes. The Knights will also be collecting non-perishables to support the Food for Families program as well as a bottle drive to boost our fundraiser. Come and buy tickets in the Knights 50 / 50 Raffle. Proceeds will be donated to local charities and Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church.

Grow a greener yard and help us grow stronger communities.

## Weekly Offering

22-Mar-26

Offertory: Regular & Initial	2,993.30
Online Offertory	1,239.60
E-Transfer Offertory	100.00
Church Basement	696.45
<b>Flower/Plant Fundraising</b>	75.00
Flowers	958.00
Development & Peace	135.00
Maintenance	50.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 6,247.35</b>

**Thank you for your generosity!**

Basement Renovation	Collection	Expense	Balance
Donation Collected as of March 15th, 2026	\$112,266.15	-	\$ 112,266.15
New Donations: March 22th, 2026	139.25	-	112,405.40
<b>2nd Collect March 22nd, 2026 + \$75 Plant Fundr.</b>	<b>632.20</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>113,037.60</b>
Structure Engineering	-	\$ 2,469.05	110,568.55
Additional Lab Analytical-Asbestos (22)	-	678.00	109,890.55
Incurred Expenses as of April 13th, 2025	-	6,415.38	103,475.17
Consulting Fees invoiced by: <b>ECCOH Management Inc., E360 Solution &amp; Manpower</b>	-	27,890.00	75,585.17
Abatement and Demolition of the Basement	-	122,300.00	(46,714.83)
Uncategorized - Ductless Carrier Multi Zone	-	\$ 9,449.06	\$ (56,163.89)

## WASHING OF THE FEET:

For the Washing of the Feet during the Mass of the Lord's Supper, parishioners, who wish to participate in washing their feet, are invited to sign up at the back of the Church today.

## Special Collection:

The Good Friday envelope will be collected on Good Friday. Thank you for your generous support.