

Saint Gregory the Great Parish

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Palm Sunday

April 13, 2025



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Masses For The Week



Tuesday, April 15

5:00pm—6:30pm Confessions

7:00 pm + Mary Oberle
+ Laura and Victor Cimbron
Int. of Allan and Natasha

Wednesday, April 16

8:15 am + Emilia & Ermelinda Andrade and
Family

Holy Thursday, April 17 with washing of feet

7:30 pm + Gloria and Ninfa Ouano

8:30 pm—10:00 pm Exposition and Simple
Reposition of the Blessed Eucharist

Good Friday, April 18 The Passion of the Lord

11:00 am Divine Mercy Novena

2:00 pm Mass-The Passion of our Lord

4:30 pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Holy Saturday, April 19 Easter Vigil—

11:00 pm Divine Mercy Novena

12:00 noon Blessing of Easter Foods

7:30 pm + Gus Nugent
+ Edward & Elizabeth Nugent
+ Antonio, Maria & Jose Figueiredo
+ Alfred Gosse
Int. of Pedro Augusto Ceron Rauber
Int. of Jose Luis Reis

**Easter Sunday, April 20 The Resurrection
of the Lord**

10:00 am Int. of all Parishioners

3:00 pm Divine Mercy Novena

Easter Monday, April 21

11:00 am Divine Mercy Novena

Choir—We are in need of your voices and talents.
Join the Choir. All interested can reach out to
Cathy or call the office 519-623-3111 or email
stgreg@rogers.com

Sunday Offering

EFT weekly Collection..... \$ 823.25

March 30, 2025 \$2,072.15

Thank you for your Generosity!



Holy Thursday, April 17th

Mass at 7:30pm Sign up to
participate in the washing of
the feet, looking for big,
medium and small feet. Only
two more feet needed. Sign

up sheets at the main entrance

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul operates a Thrift
Store at 75 Dundas St., N. (Canadian Tire Plaza) which
has supported those in need for many years. This
spring, our Thrift Store is in need of donations of
gently used furniture, house wares (particularly micro-
wave ovens & casserole dishes), and walkers.
Store open: Monday to Saturday, 9am to 5 pm Phone:
519-629-0103. Come in and say “hi” to our friendly
staff, drop off your gently used donations, and browse
through our SSVP Thrift Store for interesting finds.

THE REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL

explores the risks of global food insecurity with the
powerful documentary *The Grab* on **April 24, 2025,**
7:00 – 9:00 PM. Quietly, governments, private
investors and mercenaries are working to seize food
and water resources at the expense of entire
populations. The future world powers will be those
who control not oil, but food. Global food prices have
hit an all-time high and by 2030, the demand for
freshwater is projected to outpace supply by 40%
It has become the greatest threat facing the planet,
surpassing nuclear war, terrorism, climate change,
according to security experts. *The Grab* is a remarkable
story of greed & fear at the dawn of the 21st
century. **Register & view our full schedule** [https://
hamiltondiocese.com/reel-justice-film-festival](https://hamiltondiocese.com/reel-justice-film-festival)



Easter Flowers

**Donations are invited towards
the flowers that will decorate
our altar during Easter.**

Monies can be placed in the
collection basket in an envelope marked “Easter
Decorations”. To receive a tax receipt, please note
your name and address.
If you want to donate flowers please insure they are
potted Easter Lily's, daffodils or daisies. Bring them to
the office by Thursday, April 17th. Thank you.

**Station of the Cross
Friday, April 11th at 7:00pm**

April 13, 2025

Reflection: **Were you there at Christ's Cross?."**

During Lent, I think about the crowd that surrounded Jesus as he hung from the Cross. There were a rare few who sobbed, their hearts ripped apart. But in others there was indifference. Some were probably just passing by, glancing at another Roman execution. Many might have had business to attend to, so there was no time to stop. Besides, you wouldn't want to draw attention to yourself. The man on the Cross is there because of a lifetime of bad choices. Not my fault. He should have known better. Is this what we think when we see a homeless or someone in need?

While studying to be a Catholic, I came across something that surprised me. This was the idea that we are all responsible for that terrible Friday afternoon. In a real sense, all of humanity was at the foot of the Cross ... then, now, and tomorrow. Christ was on the Cross for the atonement of our sins and yet we keep sinning. The Catechism of the Church states: "The Church has never forgotten that sinners were the authors and ministers of all the sufferings that the Jesus endured." It goes on to state that the Jews of the time really didn't understand who Jesus was. But we have no excuse: "We, however, profess to know him. And when we deny him by our deeds, we in some way seem to lay violent hands on him."

Recall Matthew 25, the parable of the separating of the sheep from the goats. He tells the sheep they'll be welcome in Heaven for the way they treated Him. They have no idea what Christ is talking about. They don't recall helping Him. He explains they did by helping those brothers and sisters who were hungry, naked and in prison. "Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me."

As for the goats, before sending them for punishment, Jesus tells them that by ignoring the hungry, the naked and those in prison, they had ignored Him.

I ask "Were you there at Christ's Cross?" Then, now and tomorrow? (Charles Lewis, Toronto writer)

On this Palm Sunday, let us say Hosanna from the depths of our hearts and let us not separate ourselves from our Lord.



Fr. Khalid is looking at starting a youth night here at St. Gregory. We ask that you take a copy of the survey found at the main entrance of the church and share with family, friends and with children in our schools. Completed surveys can be returned to the parish stgreg@rogers.com or in the collection basket. Thank you



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Love ought to show itself in deeds more than in words.—St. Ignatius Loyola

"SO THAT IN ME YOU MAY HAVE PEACE"

is the title of the appeal from the *Commissariat of the Holy Land in Canada*. The **GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION** is dedicated to provide financial assistance to the pilgrimage sites in the Holy Land. These sites are under the direct care of the Franciscan community, and the Commissariats worldwide promote their cause. We encourage you to be generous. To learn more visit www.hamiltondiocese.com

Giving something up for Lent is a way to symbolically unite yourself each year to the mystery of Jesus' own temptation in the desert. It is also a time to reflect on your own priorities in your life, and to realign your will with God's own

FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE, VOTE! Copies of this booklet are found by our envelope sets.

Our actions matter, and so does our vote, because it can turn our country's government towards greater justice. Our vote can lead to greater economic security and opportunity or marginalization and hopelessness—for the peoples of Canada and for our brother and sisters in need around the world. That is what's at stake every time we vote—or fail to vote. Catholics are encouraged to prepare well to vote responsibly in the upcoming federal election!

Vote it does matters.

If the bringing of children into the world is today an economic burden, it is because the social system is inadequate; and not because God's law is wrong. Therefore the State should remove the causes of that burden. The human must not be limited and controlled to fit the economy, but the economy must be expanded to fit the human." Fulton J Sheen

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