

Saint Gregory the Great Parish

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Palm Sunday

March 29, 2026

Palm Sunday Prayers

“Heavenly Father, thank you for being the source of all love and joy in our lives.

Every good gift we have comes from you, and you never change. As we celebrate your victory this week, we ask you to fill our hearts with unshakeable joy. May this joy radiate to those surrounding us and fill us to overflowing.

Amen.”

Pray for Everything



Palm Sunday



Tuesday, March 31

5:00 pm—6:30pm—Confessions

7:00 pm + Balbina, Henrique & Jose Ferreira
 + Maria Vollmer and family
 + Joan McGinnis and family
 For all Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, April 1

8:15 am + Maria Ofelia and Hugo
 Armando Ceron

Holy Thursday, April 2 Mass of the Lord's Supper

8:00 pm + Joan McGinnis
 For the healing of Amanda Rose
 For Conversion of Hearts

9pm—11pm—Exposition of the Blessed Eucharist

Good Friday, April 3 - Fr. Higgins

9:00 am **Divine Mercy Novena**

2:00 pm **Passion of the Lord**

4:30 pm **Stations of the Cross - Deacon Neil**

Holy Saturday, April 4 Easter Vigil Fr.Noon/Fr.Khalid

9:00 am **Divine Mercy Novena**

12:00 noon **Blessing of Easter Foods**

7:00 pm + Mary Oberle
 Int. of Margarita Molina
 Int. Celina Goncalves
 For the Healing of Amanda Rose

Easter Sunday April 5

9:00 am **Divine Mercy Novena**

10:00 am **Int. of all Parishioners**

Monday, April 6

9:00 am **Divine Mercy Novena**



Sunday Offering

EFT weekly Collection..... \$ 825.75
 March 22 \$1,512.00

Thank you for your Generosity!

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 Wednesday, April 1. Thank you.



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HAPPY EASTER FROM COUNCIL 4916

He is Risen!

Msgr. Paul J. Meyer Council

4916 wishes all our fellow parishioners and their families a Blessed and Joyous Easter.



Holy Thursday, April 2nd Mass at 8:00pm

Sign up to participate in the washing of the feet. We are again looking for all sizes, big, medium and small feet. Sign up sheet at the main entrance or call the office.

The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2026? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Dabrowski and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a **Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 31, 2026** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is found under Upcoming Events on the home page at hamiltondiocese.com, or call Family Ministry Office 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

Pro-Life Prayer Vigil - Thursday, April 9, from 10:00am to 11:00am Opposite Freeport Hospital, 3570 King St. E., Kitchener, for babies being aborted.

All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own!

Parking - across the road, Schneider Park. Contact Cathy at: cmlamers@rogers.com

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Palm Sunday is the final Sunday of Lent and it commemorates the triumphant arrival of Christ in Jerusalem, days before he was crucified. Palm Sunday is known as such because the faithful will often receive palm fronds which they use to participate in the reenactment of Christ's arrival in Jerusalem. In the Gospels, Jesus entered Jerusalem riding a young donkey, and to the lavish praise of the townspeople who threw clothes, or possibly palms or small branches in front of him as a sign of homage. This was a customary practice for people of great respect. Palm branches are widely recognized symbol of peace and victory, hence their preferred use on Palm Sunday. The use of a donkey instead of a horse is highly symbolic, it represents the humble arrival of someone in peace, as opposed to arriving on a steed in war. The colors of the Mass on Palm Sunday are red and white, symbolizing the redemption in blood that Christ paid for the world.

Reflection: Holy Week has begun. Let us be immersed into the drama of Holy Week, so that Jesus, who gave absolutely everything for us out of divine and overflowing love and self-giving, will bring us through this and every trial and sin, all injustices and tragedies, into the new life of Christ, and a renewed, deeper faith and commitment to His good news, to His values, so wonderfully and perfectly lived out in His life and death and resurrection.

Disposing of Palms. we are to treat all items that are blessed with reverence. This includes: palms, bibles, rosaries, medals, statues, images, icons, and liturgical items.

The practice of the Church has been to dispose of these items in a reverent way when necessary. This can be done in one of two ways. 1) burn the item completely (palms can be brought to the church for disposal. 2) bury items reverently in the ground in a place which will be undisturbed.

Pope Leo XIV prays for leaders of wars to 'abandon projects of death' in peace prayer video at www.catholicregister.org

Lost and Found

Have you lost items in the church? You will find many items in the lost and found drawer located at the main entrance of the church. Glasses, coats, mittens, toys... After Easter, items will be donated



This month we are collecting:

Canned meat and fish
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MARYHILL PARK FISH FRY FUNDRAISER – Maryhill Community Centre (58 St. Charles St. E.) **GOOD FRIDAY**, April 3rd 12 noon—7 p.m. Eat in or take out. NO RESERVATIONS. Fresh cut fries with haddock, coleslaw, tartar sauce, lemon and gravy. 1 pc.- \$17; 2 pc.- \$20. Children 12 & under 1 pc - \$8.00 Dine in only! CASH ONLY PLEASE. Call ahead for take out orders (519) 648-2939.

Share Lent Collection—(Good Friday)
In support of the many parish projects of the church throughout the Holy Land and upkeep of Holy Sites. Be Generous. Thank you

Pray for our Priests and Religious

Monday Rev. David Mowat, C.R.
Tuesday Rev. Gregory Merkley
Wednesday **Oblates of Mary Immaculate, O.M.I.**
Thursday **Mass of the Lord's Supper**
Friday **The Passion of the Lord**
Saturday **Holy Saturday**



Divine Mercy Novena starting Good Friday through to Sunday April 12. Good Friday and Holy Saturday @ 9am. Easter Sunday @ 3pm; April 6th @ 9am; April 7th @ 6pm; then April 8, 9, 10 and 11 @ 9am. April 12 Special celebration of Divine Mercy Feast @ 3pm. With prayers and blessing.



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PALM SUNDAY

"O Lord, you know our hearts and see our shortcomings. Today, we ask you to search us and show us if there are unconfessed sins in our lives. We turn to you and confess these sins. We repent of our sinful ways and return to you. Heal us, forgive us, and wash us clean by the blood of Christ Jesus. Amen."