



### COMMENT ON READINGS

The liturgy of the word of this Sunday shows Jesus as the Good Shepherd. The Good Shepherd is someone who serves the sheep with all of himself: he guides them, guards them, feeds them, when necessary dresses their wounds, carries them, hugs them. His concern covers all the needs of the herd and each sheep. God seeks to enable us to meet each other in our daily lives. That is why he became a man, he lives among us, and that is why he continues to send us people through whom he works constantly in the Church and in the world.

### PASTORAL MESSAGES

1. Today is the Sunday of the Good Shepherd, which begins the quarterly days of prayer for vocations to serve in the Church. Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, calls himself a good shepherd who knows his sheep by name and gives his life for them. We still need new people who, like Christ, will serve in the Church to preach the word and to partake of the sacraments. We invite you to pray together for this purpose.

2. The month of May will start this Saturday. It is a month dedicated to the special worship of Our Lady. Let us pray every day the Litany of Loreto.

3. We would like to express our sincere thanks for any donations made in recent weeks to the OneHeart/OneSoul financial campaign. May the good God reward your generosity and love for the Church with his blessing.

4. We wish all those celebrating their birthdays and anniversaries this week an abundance of God's graces and the care of the Blessed Mother for every day. Have a nice and blessed Sunday.

5. This week's patron is:  
– Thursday 29 April – St. Katarzyna Sieneńska (1347-1380), virgin and doctor of the Church, patron saint of Europe.

**IN THE NEXT WEEK IN THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON WE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING PRIESTS**

**Monday 04-26** - Rev. William Trusz  
**Tuesday 04-27** - Rev. David Reitzel  
**Wednesday 04-28** - Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul of Zagreb  
**Thursday 04-29** - Rev. Patras Samuel Masih  
**Friday 04-30** - Rev. Mariusz Durbajlo  
**Saturday 05-01** - Rev. Claude Perera, O.M.I.



### Sunday 04-25

10:00a.m. +Angelo Bolzon  
12:00 p.m. +Czeslaw Przestrzelski  
7:00 p.m. +Frank Fantin

### Monday 04-26

8:15a.m. ++Annunziato & Vincenza Furfaro  
8:15a.m. +Lucia Gobbi

### Tuesday 04-27

7:00p.m. Bartlomiej Rudnicki, God's blessings  
7:00p.m. +Genowefa Rapala

### Wednesday 04-28

8:15a.m. 1.) Cecylia Gadzinska, birthday blessings  
2.) +Gyorgy Molnar

### Thursday 04-29

7:00p.m. 1.) For Parishioners  
2.) Stanislaw Oleszkiewicz, for health and all necessary graces

### Friday 04-30

8:15a.m. ++Angelo & Iole Tonin  
7:00p.m. +Daniel Ramotowski

### Saturday 05-01

8:15a.m. For early triumph of Immaculate Heart of Mary  
7:00p.m. +Boleslaw Ciucmanski

### NEXT SUNDAY

### Sunday 05-02

10:00a.m. ++Natalina & Cosmo Maugeri  
+Yolanda Maugeri-Hall  
12:00 p.m. Za Ojczyzne Konstytucja 3 Maja  
7:00 p.m. Souls in Purgatory

### APRIL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Sunday 25** - Fourth Sunday of Easter  
**Thursday 29** - Feast of St. Catherine of Sienna  
**Friday 30** - Saint Pius V, Pope

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SUNDAY COLLECTION:** \$ 2,937.68  
**Needs of Canadian Church:** \$ 10.00  
**Mission Appeal:** \$ 20.00  
**Pope Pastoral Works:** \$ 20.00  
**THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS**

### FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – APRIL 25, 2021

This is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The world needs leaders with courage and integrity. The Church needs good leaders as well, leaders who will unselfishly care for the needs of God's people and minister to them. If you feel God is calling you to priesthood, religious life or diaconate, call Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton, 905-528-7988 ext. 2246.

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**MAY**

The month of May is dedicated to The Blessed Virgin Mary. The first 23 days fall within the liturgical season of Easter, which is represented by the liturgical color white — the color of light, a symbol of joy, purity and innocence (absolute or restored). The remainder of the month (beginning the Monday after Pentecost) is in Ordinary Time which is represented by the liturgical color green. This symbol of hope is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection.

**THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF  
MAY 2021  
THE WORLD OF FINANCE**

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

**MAY CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Saturday 01** - St. Joseph the Worker  
- International Worker's Day  
**Sunday 02** - Fifth Sunday of Easter  
**Monday 03** - Feast of St. Philip & St. James, Apostles  
**Sunday 09** - Sixth Sunday of Easter; Mother's Day  
**Monday 10** - Damien de Veuster, priest; John of Avila, Opt. Mem.  
**Thursday 13** - Ascension of the Lord; Our Lady of Fatima, Opt. Mem.  
**Friday 14** - St. Matthias, Apostle  
**Sunday 16** - The Ascension of the Lord  
**Tuesday 18** - St. John I Opt. Mem.  
**Thursday 20** - Feast of St. Bernadette of Sienna  
**Friday 21** - St. Christopher Magallanes and companions; Eugene de Mazenod, Opt. Mem.  
**Saturday 22** - St. Rita of Cascia, Opt. Mem.  
**Sunday 23** - Pentecost Sunday  
**Monday 24** - The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church  
- Canada Day  
**Tuesday 25** - St. Bede the Venerable; St. Gregory VII; St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi, virgin, Opt. Mem.  
**Wednesday 26** - St. Philip Neri, Memorial  
**Thursday 27** - Feast of St. Augustine of Canterbury  
**Sunday 30** - The Most Holy Trinity  
**Monday 31** - Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Feast

**LITANY OF ST. JOSEPH**

**Lord, have mercy.**  
**Christ, have mercy.**  
**Lord, have mercy.**

**Christ, hear us.**

**God the Father of Heaven**  
**God the Son, Redeemer of the World**  
**God the Holy Spirit**  
**Holy Trinity, One God**

**Holy Mary**  
**Saint Joseph**  
**Noble Offspring of David**  
**Light of Patriarchs**

**Lord, have mercy.**  
**Christ, have mercy**  
**Lord, have mercy.**

**Christ, graciously hear us.**

**have mercy on us.**  
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**pray for us.**  
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**Spouse of the Mother of God**  
**Chaste Guardian of the Virgin**  
**Foster-Father of the Son of God**  
**Zealous Defender of Christ**  
**Head of the Holy Family**  
**Joseph Most Just**  
**Joseph Most Chaste**  
**Joseph Most Prudent**  
**Joseph Most Courageous**  
**Joseph Most Obedient**  
**Joseph Most Faithful**  
**Mirror Of Patience**  
**Lover Of Poverty**  
**Model Of Workmen**  
**Glory Of Domestic Life**  
**Guardian Of Virgins**  
**Pillar Of Families**  
**Comfort Of The Afflicted**  
**Hope Of The Sick**  
**Patron Of The Dying**  
**Terror Of Demons**  
**Protector Of the Holy Church**

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**Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,  
spare us, O Lord.**

**Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,  
graciously hear us, O Lord.**

**Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us, O Lord.**

**V. He made him the lord of his household**

**R. And prince over all his possessions.**

**Let us pray.** O God, who, in your loving providence, chose Blessed Joseph to be the spouse of your most Holy Mother; grant us the favour of having him for our intercessor in heaven whom on earth we venerate as our Protector: You, who live and reign forever and ever.  
**Amen. Saint Joseph, pray for us.**

**ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA**

Catherine, the youngest of twenty-five children, was born in Siena on March 25, 1347. During her youth she had to contend with great difficulties on the part of her parents. They were planning marriage for their favorite daughter; but Catherine, who at the age of seven had already taken a vow of virginity, refused. To break her resistance, her beautiful golden brown tresses were shorn to the very skin and she was forced to do the most menial tasks. Undone by her patience, mother and father finally relented and their child entered the Third Order of St. Dominic.

Unbelievable were her austerities, her miracles, her ecstasies. The reputation of her sanctity soon spread abroad; thousands came to see her, to be converted by her. The priests associated with her, having received extraordinary faculties of absolution, were unable to accommodate the crowds of penitents. She was a helper and a consoler in every need. As time went on, her influence reached out to secular and ecclesiastical matters. She made peace between worldly princes. The heads of Church and State bowed to her words. She weaned Italy away from an anti-pope, and made cardinals and princes promise allegiance to the rightful pontiff. She journeyed to Avignon and persuaded Pope Gregory XI to return to Rome. Even though she barely reached the age of thirty-three her accomplishments place her among the great women of the Middle Ages. The virgin Catherine was espoused to Christ by a precious nuptial ring which, although visible only to her, always remained on her finger.