

### Holy Week Mass schedule

Holy Thursday - April 6th: 7:00 pm

Good Friday - April 7th: 3:00 pm  
Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm

Easter Vigil - April 8th: 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday - April 9th: 10:00 am

Please note that there will be no morning Mass on Thursday or Friday this week.

Fr. Bob will be doing the Blessing of the Easter food on Saturday, April 8th at 11:00 am

CWL will once again be having our annual draw on Nov. 18/23. We are looking for prizes, preferably a value of \$200 or more. This is our only fund raiser of the year. Anyone wishing to donate a prize please contact Arlene McBride at 519-662-2816. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

There will be a Men's club meeting on Tuesday, April 4th after the 7 pm Mass.

**The next Coffee Sunday is April 16**  
(due to Easter Sunday being the second Sunday)

After Mass, come down and visit with your fellow parishioners,

The Good Friday Collection is requested by the Holy See to help maintain the Church's holy places in the Holy Land, so important to the faith of Christians everywhere, and also to support the faithful who struggle to survive under political and economic oppression and persecution. This Pontifical Collection will be taken during the Good Friday celebration on April 7 2023. Those who are unable to attend the service, or who prefer to contribute online, may do so by Interac e-transfer or CanadaHelps by visiting [www.commissariat.ca/supporting-us](http://www.commissariat.ca/supporting-us)

Palm Sunday is the final Sunday of Lent, the beginning of Holy Week, and 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 re-enactment of the 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. Palm branches are widely recognized symbol of peace and victory, hence their preferred use on Palm Sunday.

### Publication of Banns of Ordination

Reverend Mr. Jonathan Reitzel is scheduled to be ordained to the Priesthood at 11:00 am on Saturday, May 6, 2023 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton, ON. If anyone knows of a serious cause why this ordination should not take place, please notify your parish Priest.

Let us all pray the Reverend Mr. Jonathan Reitzel will be a good and faithful servant of the Lord. And His Church.



## Holy Family Roman Catholic Church (1883)

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### Sunday, April 2, 2023 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord



### Matthew 26: 14-27 The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ

Pastor:  
Reverend Bob Love  
Secretary: Sherry Reitzel

Office Hours  
9 am - 11:30 am  
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday

Mass Times  
Tuesday—7:00 p.m.  
Wed-Friday 8:30 am  
Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 10:00 a.m.  
*Rosary - 30 min before Mass*

Confession  
Saturday 4-5 pm  
*Or upon request*

Marriage  
*Please contact the parish at least six months in advance.*

Baptism  
*Contact the office at least four month in advance  
Request forms at back of the church*

Holy Family Catholic School  
Principal: Richard Setler  
519-662-1734

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### TUESDAY April 4

7:00 pm  
+ Jack Langford  
Req. Men's Club

#### WEDNESDAY April 5

8:30 am  
+ Judith Kroetsch  
Req. Estate

#### THURSDAY April 6

7:00 pm  
Holy Thursday  
(no Mass in the morning)

#### FRIDAY April 7

3:00 pm  
Good Friday  
(no Mass in the morning)

#### SATURDAY April 8

8:00 pm  
Easter Vigil

### WEEKLY OFFERING

March 26, 2022

**Sunday Offering: \$ 1,805.75**  
**Building Fund : \$ 45.00**  
**Turkey & Syria relief: \$ 40.00**

*Thank you for your generosity*

#### Prayer Network

To request special prayers contact:  
Marcella 519 - 662-2962  
Sharon 519 - 634-8401  
If you would like to join the prayer chain  
please contact Sharon Diebold.

### News from the Diocese of Hamilton

**The 2023 Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass** - Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2023? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a **Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, April 16, 2023** 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 1 guest if you require assistance). Registration will be available at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com). when you register for the Anniversary Mass on the Diocesan website you will get an e-mail saying you are registered. If you do not receive this e-mail then your registration, for some reason, has not gone through and you should register again, or call the office.

The Serra Club of Hamilton is holding their annual Vocations Recognition Dinner on Tuesday May 2, 2023 at Liuna Station. Tickets are \$90. Please email [SerraHamilton1965@gmail.com](mailto:SerraHamilton1965@gmail.com) or leave a message at 905-628-5682 if interested.

**PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH - Parenting Tip 149** - As spring begins we see new life erupting everywhere. This is a great chance to point out the beauty of God's creation to your children, as buds form, trees bloom and flowers grow. Remind them of God's creative power and how he created all this for us, but also gave us the task of caring for His creation. We must nurture and protect God's created world. It is also a chance to remind them that life too has cycles and we can begin anew - the Sacrament of Reconciliation allows us to seek forgiveness and start anew, just as nature does each spring! Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

### **Vocation Seeds:**

Passion (Palm) Sunday - April 2, 2023  
"Blessed is the one who comes in the Name of the Lord!" Are you being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, brother or sister or consecrated virgin? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.  
email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)  
[hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/)

### **Vocations Prayer Week of April 3**

Rev. Paul Patrick, O.M.I.  
Rev. Msgr. Pierre-Philippe Jean-Pierre  
Oblates of Mary Immaculate (O.M.I.)

Fr. Bob Love's email address from the Diocese has been compromised. If you receive an email from Fr. Bob Love asking for favours, please contact him directly to verify.

### **Annual Women's Seminar:**

Unique Mission, with Lisa Canning, Understanding and living out God's will for your life  
**Sat, April 15, 2023 10:00 am to 3:00 pm**  
Saint André Bessette Catholic Secondary School, London \$40/person before Thu, April 13, 2023

We're excited to announce Lisa Canning (HGTV, The Possibility Mom) as the guest speaker for the 2023 Annual Women's Seminar. This event is a wonderful chance for women to get together and learn new ways to fulfill their mission as women in the world. The day aims to encourage women to build friendships and grow in their own unique roles.

Prayer Vigil - Delayed one week to Thursday, April 13, 2023, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. 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.  
Any queries, please contact Cathy at:  
[kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com](mailto:kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com)

### **Lives of the Saints**

*St Isidore of Seville (560 - 636)*

*Feast day April 4*

He was born in Seville in about 560 and after his father's death he was educated by his brother Leander, Archbishop of Seville. He was instrumental in converting the Visigothic kings from the Arian heresy; he was made Archbishop of Seville after his brother's death; and he took a prominent part in councils at Toledo and Seville. The Council of Toledo, in particular, laid great emphasis on learning, with all bishops in the kingdom commanded to establish seminaries and to encourage the teaching of Greek and Hebrew, law and medicine. He promoted the study of Aristotle, long before the Arabs discovered him and centuries before 13th-century Christian philosophers discovered him through the Arabs.

He embarked on the project of writing an encyclopaedia of universal knowledge but did not live to complete it.