

St. Anne Parish
268 East Avenue
Kitchener, ON N2H 1Z4
519-745-5302
stannekitchener@hamiltondiocese.com
Website: www.stanneskitchener.ca

St Vincent de Paul: 519-745-3324

Diocese of Hamilton: 1-905-528-7988
www.hamiltondiocese.com

THIS WEEK WE CELEBRATE

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 15-16, 2026

Liturgical Readings

1) Isaiah 56:1, 6-7 *God welcomes and accepts all people who faithfully follow Him.*
2) Romans 11:13-15, 29-32 *God is merciful to all.*
3) Matthew 15:21-28 *Persistent faith and trust in Jesus can overcome barriers.*

FOCUS: O God, let all the nations praise you!

Christ's words in today's Gospel are puzzling and can seem unfair. Why does it seem that he initially rejects the woman's request to heal her daughter because she is not Jewish? And did Jesus know she would be persistent in her request? Regardless, Jesus is impressed with her great faith, and it provides him a "teachable moment" because he heals the woman's daughter, showing that the kingdom of God is indeed for *all* people.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading, the Lord calls his people to do what is right. He promises that all who do what is right and just, including foreigners, will be brought to his holy mountain. In the epistle, Paul says that he glories in his ministry to the Gentiles to make his race jealous and thus save some of them. In the Gospel, Jesus heals the daughter of the Canaanite woman, a Gentile.

VOCATION CORNER



"Woman, great is your faith!" It takes faith to hear God's call in our lives and sometimes it may not be what we expect. Is God calling you to life as priest, deacon, sister or brother? Contact: Fr. John Ha, Director of Vocations / Email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com
Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 / Visit: hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

STEWARDSHIP REPORT: August 8-9, 2026

We are grateful to all who contribute their time, their talents, and their treasures to support our parish community and our mission. **Thank you!**

Regular Collection	Loose	Unsolicited	Building
$1,425.00	$220.00	$250.00	$30.00

MASS INTENTIONS AND DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR: AUGUST 17-23, 2026

	Mass Intentions	Liturgical calendar	Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar
Monday, August 17 8:00 am	**Int of** Marian Novogradecz ✝ Mark Krissak ✝ Manuel Becerra Cordero	Ezekiel 24:15-24 Matthew 19:16-22	Rev. Philip Shano, S.J.
Tuesday, August 18 8:00 am	**Int of** Rita Benvenuto **Int of** Nan and Bernie on their anniversary ✝ Carmen Rosa Cordero	Ezekiel 28:1-10 Matthew 19:23-30	Very Rev. Paul Damian Panaretos, S.J.
Wednesday, August 19 8:00 am	**Int of** Marianna Palazzolo **Int of** those living with cancer ✝ Ismael Becerra	**St John Eudes** Ezekiel 34:1-11 Matthew 20:1-16a	Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate, S.O.L.I.
Thursday, August 20 8:00 am	**Int of** Christine Keller Bonsi ✝ Ana Marie Ferreira ✝ Flor Maria Caceres de Peñaranda	**Memorial of St Bernard** Ezekiel 36:23-28 Matthew 22:1-14	Rev. Wieslaw Berdowicz, S.Chr.
Friday, August 21 8:00 am	**Int of** Marilyn Moser ✝ Erika Kompter † Monica Peñaranda	**Memorial of St Pius X** Ezekiel 37:1-14 Matthew 22:34-40	Very Rev. Valentine Onwunjiogu
Saturday, August 22 4:00 pm	**Int for** Madonna di Canneto ✝ Manuel Lameira ✝ Frank Pacheco and family ✝ Maria Genoveva Mikan ✝ Thomas Callery	**Saturday: Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**	**The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
Sunday, August 23 9:30 am	**Intention of All Parishioners**	Isaiah 22:15, 19-23 Romans 11:33-36 Matthew 16:13-20	**21st Sunday Ordinary Time**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

We are looking forward to resuming the Children's Liturgy of the Word, at the Sunday Mass, starting after Thanksgiving. If you are interested in exploring scripture with children aged 4-7, please contact the office and plan to attend a formation session offered by the Diocese, on **Saturday, August 29** in Hamilton. Registration for this workshop is required.

FROM ST LOUIS PARISH: EARLY CHURCH - DVD STUDY

Epic: The Early Church is a ten-session DVD study that explores the people, places, and events that shaped the Church's first five hundred years. Presented and authored by Steve Weidenkopf, Church historian from Christendom College and published by Ascension Press. Offered by St. Louis Parish in Waterloo either on Sundays from 12:30 – 1:40 PM with lunch, or on Mondays from 7:30 – 9 PM with refreshments in Large Hall from **September 20 or 21 to December 6 or 7**. For more details, or to reserve your spot, contact stlouiswaterloo@hamiltondiocese.com, or 519-743-4101, or check www.saintlouisparish.ca.

NEWS FROM HAMILTON DIOCESE: PLEASE NOTE

The Diocese of Hamilton has asked us to share with our parish community a Memorandum regarding Reverend Ranjan D'Sa, OCD; the charge against Fr D'Sa has been withdrawn at the request of the Crown Attorney's Office. The Diocese wishes to make public the withdrawal of the charge to assist in restoring his reputation and to declare that he is a priest in good standing. The complete Memorandum follows.

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

700 King Street West, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada L8P 1C7

OFFICE OF THE CHANCELLOR

MEMORANDUM

To: All Priests, Deacons, Chancery Staff, Pastoral Ministers, Parish Secretaries

From: Monsignor Murray J. Kroetsch, PH, VG
Chancellor

Date: August 10, 2026

Re: **Charges Withdrawn Against Reverend Ranjan D'Sa, OCD**
Priestly Faculties Restored – August 6, 2026

We wish to provide an update regarding Fr. Ranjan D'Sa, OCD, a member of the Discalced Carmelite Order and a priest who has served as Pastor of St. Dominic Parish, Oakville, since 2016 and most recently and Dean of Halton.

On or about March 23, 2026, Father D'Sa was charged with one (1) count of sexual assault. The Diocese of Hamilton takes seriously any allegation of misconduct and cooperates with civil authorities in the investigation into allegations of misconduct, recognizing that every individual is entitled to due process.

Fr. D'Sa has been maintaining his innocence since the beginning of the investigation. He was presumed innocent in the matter, and in fact, he was found innocent by the court July 24, 2026. The case was withdrawn at the request of the Crown Attorney's Office. Accordingly. Fr. D'Sa has no outstanding criminal charges.

We wish to make public the withdrawal of the charge against Fr. D'Sa to assist in restoring his reputation and declare that he is a priest in good standing with the faculties necessary to continue to exercise his priestly ministry, according to the wishes of his Religious Community.