

Third Sunday of Lent

March 7 & 8, 2026

Sacrament of Baptism
The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month at 11:00 am, for registered parishioners.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Every Thursday, at 6:00 pm, or by appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage
For registered parishioners. Please contact the office at least one year in advance of your preferred date.

RCIA is the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
The RCIA provides spiritual and catechetical formation for those seeking entry into the catholic church. Please contact the office for further information.

Anointing and Pastoral Care
Available for our faith community. Please contact the office to arrange for anointing of the sick, or to receive Holy Communion outside of church.

Adoration
Every Thursday at 7:30 pm, following Mass.

The Church Offering Report
Published weekly, in the bulletin. Offertory envelopes can be dropped off in the parish mailbox. Please call the office to pick up your Church envelopes.

Pre-Authorized Giving
The withdrawal is on the 15th of every month.

Parish School
St Anne Elementary School: 519-745-7847

Mass Times

Monday	8:00 am
Tuesday	8:00 am
Wednesday	8:00 am
Thursday	6:00 pm *Confession*
	7:00 pm *Mass*
	7:30 pm *Adoration*
Friday	8:00 am
Saturday	4:00 pm
Sunday	9:30 am
	2:00 pm *Vietnamese Martyrs Community*

Welcome to
St. Anne Parish

We hope you will find prayerful and spiritual support during your time with us. If you plan to attend regularly, we encourage you to register with our parish.

Registration forms are available at the church entrances and will help simplify processes for pastoral references and sacramental preparations.

If you are just visiting, thank you for joining us. We look forward to seeing you again!

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THIS WEEK WE CELEBRATE

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I will pour clean water upon you and cleanse you from all your impurities.

Liturgical Readings

1) Exodus 17:3-7 *Strike the rock, and water will come out of it.*
2) Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 *God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.*
3) John 4:5-42 *I will give a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.*

FOCUS: We are invited to bring our thirst to God.

In the sacred season of Lent, we are invited to acknowledge our thirst and our need for God. Let us not mask it or hide it with distractions or goods which cannot ultimately satisfy. We are invited instead to bring our thirst to God and, like the Samaritan woman, simply ask: Lord, give me this water, the water which will make us never thirst again.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

The first reading recounts how the Israelites, in their thirst, grumbled against Moses and God provided water from the rock. In the second reading, Paul writes to the Romans that they have been *justified by faith* and that *hope does not disappoin*t. In the Gospel, Jesus meets the Samaritan woman at the well and invites her to receive *living water*.

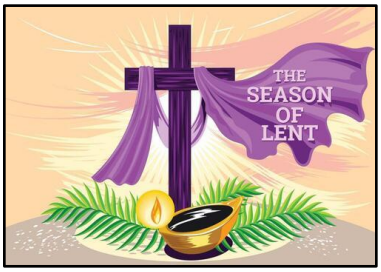
VOCATION CORNER



"But the one who drinks of the water that I will give will never be thirsty." Do you thirst to know where God is leading you? Could you be thirsty for an understanding of your purpose? If God is calling you to serve Him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, please contact:

Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations Email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com
Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 Visit: hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

SEASON OF LENT



Next weekend, the fourth Sunday of Lent, is known as Laetare Sunday, a moment to rejoice as we anticipate the light of Easter. The Gospel reading features Jesus, the light of the world, healing a man who was born blind. The liturgy encourages us to celebrate as we await the light that will shine on Easter night. Christ, the light of the world, comes to dispel darkness and heal our spiritual blindness. During the Penitential Act, we will observe moments of silence. As the fourth Lenten candle is brought to the altar, we are invited to present our personal and spiritual blindness before the Lord, so that He may heal us.

Stations of the Cross are after 8:00 am Mass on Fridays during Lent.
The Lent Penitential Service will be on Wednesday, March 25, at 6:30 pm.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR CONFIRMATION THIS WEEKEND



THIS WEEKEND Sunday, March 8, following the 9:30 am Mass, there is a catechetical session for the confirmation candidates. We pray for the 27 young people that they may learn how Confirmation is a gift that draws them closer to God . The next meeting will be after Mass on Sunday, March 22.

COFFEE SUNDAY NEXT WEEKEND



St Anne's Coffee Sunday is next weekend, **Sunday, March 15** in the Church hall after Mass. We hope you will join us for fellowship.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT for weekend of February 28 & March 1

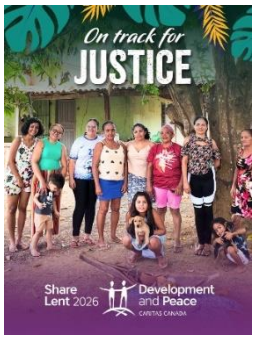
We are grateful to all who contribute their time, talent, and treasure to support our parish community and our mission. Thank you!

Regular Envelopes	Loose	Building
$7,340.00	$365.00	$695.00

ALTAR CROSSES – RESTORE AND RENEW

We thank everyone for their enthusiastic response to this project. If you would like to help with the restoration of the crosses and have a cross with your name or your intention inscribed on the back, please consider coming to the office during the week (8:30 am – 12:30 pm, Monday to Friday) to choose where your cross will be. The suggested offering is $30 for each cross. There are still crosses available. Thank you!

SHARELENT: Women protecting the Earth



In Brazil, the lives of several rural communities are disrupted by industrial agriculture, mining and the Carajás railway. Women are at the heart of the fight to protect the land and the environment from the air, water and soil pollution that they cause. This pollution damages their kitchen gardens and harms the health of their children, families and neighbours. Courageously, these women fight to continue to exist on their land. To assert and protect their rights, they formed a women's association called Seeds of the Earth with the support of Justiça nos Trilhos (JnT), a partner of Development and Peace — Caritas Canada. Discover JnT's work in our Mini-magazine and learn more about the women by watching their testimonies at devp.org/lent.

ST ANTHONY DANIEL: BEING SAINTS TODAY

St. Anthony Daniel Parish invites you to their Parish Lenten Mission with Bishop Lobsinger, **March 14 to March 17**. Bishop Lobsinger will be focusing on the theme: "Being Saints Today" as he preaches at our weekend Masses March 14/15, as well as at a special 7:00 pm Mass on Monday, March 16 and our regularly scheduled Tuesday, March 17 Mass at 7:00 pm. A light reception will follow Mass on March 17.

ST AGNES EDUCATION CAFÉ

In our noisy world, many voices compete for our attention. We are called go to that quiet place in prayer where God speaks to us. Do we listen? And act? Come away from the noise and join us for the next St. Agnes Education Café: "God speaks - are we listening? Overcoming Spiritual Deafness." **Sunday March 29** 2:00-3:30pm, St. Agnes Parish (75 Bluevale Street North, Waterloo), with Fr. Raphael Ma.



There are many posters and flyers displayed on our church bulletin boards. Please check the boards frequently to keep up to date on events and activities that are happening in other churches, in our local community, and within our Diocese.

Mass Intentions and Diocesan Prayer Calendar for March 9-15, 2026

Mass Intentions are a great treasure of the Church and have immense spiritual value. If you would like to request a Mass Intention for someone (living or deceased), please contact the parish office.

	Mass Intentions	Liturgical calendar	Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar
Monday, March 9 **8:00 am**	**Int of** Frank Mestyan **Int of** Erica	**Memorial of St Frances of Rome** 2 Kings 5:1-15a Luke 4:24-30	Very Rev. Msgr. Cornelius O'Mahony
Tuesday, March 10 **8:00 am**	**Int of** Jennifer Haller-Buchanan **Int of** Erica Pfeifer **†** Fritz and Ann Hohl	Daniel 3:25, 34-43 Matthew 18:21-35	Rev. Patras Samuel Masih
Wednesday, March 11 **8:00 am**	**Int of** those living with cancer **Int of** Linda Duguay	Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9 Matthew 5:17-19	Franciscan Fathers, O.F.M.
Thursday, March 12 **7:00 pm** *followed by Adoration*	**†** Manuel Novo **†** Antonio Alberto	Jeremiah 7:23-28 Luke 11:14-23	Rev. Tony O'Dell, O.M.I.
Friday, March 13 **8:00 am,** *followed by Stations of the Cross*	**†** Maclina Oliveira **†** Draga Znidarsic	Hosea 14:1-9 Mark 12:28-34	Parish & Chancery Staff
Saturday, March 14 **4:00 pm**	**Int of** Matthew Wilkinsin **†** Jose De Sousa **†** Dorothy Erdman **†** Joseph Latin	**Sunday Mass** 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13 Ephesians 5:8-14 John 9:1-41	Rev. Harry Reitzel, C.R.
Sunday, March 15 **9:30 am**	**Int of** all Parishioners		**4th Sunday of Lent**

Please consider volunteering your talents! The following Ministries and Parish Organizations would warmly welcome you! Please contact the office for more information.

- Altar Serving
- A.R. Goudie visitor
- St Vincent de Paul
- Social Committee
- Ministers of the Word
- Music Ministry
- Ministers of the Eucharist
- Hospitality Ministers
- Children's Liturgy
- Rosary Prayer Group
- Funeral Lunch Committee

St Anne Parish is entrusted to the pastoral care of the Comboni Missionaries of the Heart of Jesus.
519-744-4680 / combonimissionaries.org

For 150 years, the Comboni Missionaries have traveled to nearly every corner of the world, sharing the good news of Christ and working to protect the dignity of all people. Founded in 1867 by St. Daniel Comboni, the Comboni Missionaries are an international Catholic organization dedicated to ministering to the world's poorest and most marginalized people, often working in unstable political climates amid extreme poverty. Despite these challenges, our missionaries are dedicated to their mission of serving God's people.