



St. Theresa's Cathedral

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St. Theresa's Gift Shop: 292-0416 – Shop Hours: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays & Saturdays)

Confessions: Saturday at 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. or by appointment

Baptisms: By appointment – 5 weeks in advance

Weddings: By appointment – 1 year in advance. Lenten Pre-Marriage Course is required for all weddings here or elsewhere

Facebook: Our Catholic Diocese is on Facebook. Visit our page & "LIKE" us and join our on-line community.

	DATES	TIMES		INTENTIONS FOR
Sat.	Apr. 13	6:30 pm	+	William DeSilva, Sr.
Sun.	Apr. 14	8:30 am	+	St. Theresa's Parish Family Zulmira Botelho, Jose Fernando Pimentel & Joao Carlos Frias Victor Moniz & Arminda & Manuel Garrafa Intentions of Sam Alexander Nery
		10:00 am		
		11:30 am 6:00 pm		
Mon.	Apr. 15	7:30 am 12:10 pm		No Mass
Tues.	Apr. 16	7:30 am 12:10 pm 7:30 pm	+	Intentions of Fr. Julio Blazejewski, C.R. No Mass Mass of the Chrism (English & Portuguese)
Wed.	Apr. 17	7:30 am 12:10 pm	+	Intentions of Bishop Robert Kurtz, C.R. No Mass
Thurs.	Apr. 18	7:30 am 12:10 pm 7:30 pm		Morning Prayer No Mass Mass of the Lord's Supper
Fri.	Apr. 19	9:00 am 1:30 pm 3:00 pm		Morning Prayer Stations of the Cross (Victoria Park) Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
Sat.	Apr. 20	7:30 pm	+	Easter Vigil – Easter Flower Memorials
Sun.	Apr. 21 (Portuguese)	8:30 am	+	Easter Flower Memorials
		10:00 am	+	Easter Flower Memorials
		11:30 am	+	Easter Flower Memorials
		6:00 pm		No Mass

NEXT WEEK'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE: 20th/21st April, 2019

	Easter Vigil 7:30 p.m.	Easter Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Easter Sunday 11:30 a.m.	NO 6:00 p.m.
Eucharistic	C. Carreiro	A. Amarasinghe	E. Perez	
Ministers:	D. Rawlins	I. Smith	G. Edwards	
	C. Rawlins			
	A. Bechter			
	J. Judd			
Lectors:	C. Inot	M. Smith	N. Puhekker	
	B.D. Knights	M. Amarasinghe	J. Alcantara	
	E. Mosley			
Altar Servers:	I. DaSilva	T. Amarasinghe	Dr. A. Maxwell	
	A. DeSousa	P. DeSilva		
Song Leaders:	K. Judd	F. Wolhmuth	M. Gravito	

** ST. THERESA'S CATHEDRAL ** HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

April 14 - Palm Sunday Masses:
Sat. Vigil: 6:30 pm
Sun: 8:30 am, 10 am (Portuguese)
 11:30 am & 6:00 pm

April 16 – Mass of the Chrism
 (English & Portuguese at 7:30 pm)
NO 12:10 noon Mass

Holy Thursday: Morning Prayer: 7:30am
NO 12:10 noon Mass

Mass of the Lord's Supper
 (English & Portuguese): 7:30 pm
 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 follows until 10:00 pm

Good Friday–Morning Prayer: 9 am
Stations of the Cross: 1:30 pm in
 Victoria Park, Hamilton
Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
 English: 3:00 pm
 Portuguese: 5:00 pm

Holy Saturday–Morning Prayer 9 am
Easter Vigil Mass:
 (English & Portuguese) – 7:30 pm
NO 6:30 pm Mass

**** Easter Sunday ****
Mass of the Resurrection:
 8:30 am, 10:00 am (Portuguese),
 & 11:30 am – **NO 6:00 pm Mass**

"GOOD FRIDAY"

Please note that Good Friday is a day of
 Fast and Abstinence. This Penitential
 practice consists of refraining from the
 consumption of meat

**A Second Collection for the Air Condition Project will be taken today at all
 of the Masses.**



WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT:
Stewardship opens an avenue of thought that allows us to give without always questioning what we will get in return.

Steward's Sharing of Treasure

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Collection:	April 6 th /7 th :	\$ 3,192.00
	To Date: (15 th week)	\$ 57,346.00

Thank you for your continued support!

ST. THERESA'S CHAPEL



April 14th to 20th, 2019

2 Roses & 2 Seven-Day Candles Donated

"In Memory of Mary & Joseph Lewis Correia"

INTRODUCTION: "Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord." We know well the story of Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem. While we proclaim these words with heartfelt sincerity, today, we must consider how we use our words and actions to crucify church and political leaders, others who are not like us, and even ourselves. Today, let us ask for the grace to enter into Holy Week with the desire to more intimately understand Jesus' humanity and his journey to the cross.



ST. THERESA'S BAKE SALE: Please support this Fund-Raising Bake Sale which will be held after each Mass in St. Theresa's Parish Hall. Fresh and delicious Portuguese doughnuts (malasadas) will again be available to purchase. We look forward to your anticipated support!

MASS OF THE CHRISM: This Mass will be celebrated this **Tuesday, April 16th at St. Theresa's Cathedral at 7:30 pm** at which the oil (chrism) is blessed, which will be used for different sacraments during the year. This is a Diocesan Mass and is concelebrated by Bishop Wes and all of our priests. All are welcome to attend!

BISHOP'S ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL 2019: Your financial assistance is needed to help meet the Diocese's ongoing expenses for ministries and programs for this year. The collection for this year's Bishop's Appeal commences this weekend and you have until the end of June 2019 to make your donation. Special envelopes have been provided for your contribution last week for the Bishop's Appeal. You may also make a direct payment to our Butterfield Account No. **20006060482732100** and include "**Bishop's Appeal**" in the memo field. If you prefer to use a debit or credit card, you may do so by filling in the information required on the special envelope provided. Please give generously.

ECUMENICAL STATIONS OF THE CROSS: The Catholic Community is invited to join with our Anglican brothers and sisters at a special Ecumenical Service on **Good Friday, April 19th at 1:30 pm at Victoria Park in Hamilton.** Anglican Bishop Nicholas Dill and our Bishop Wes will lead the gathering in prayers and through the Stations of the Cross. Please come out in support.

"CARITAS", HOUSE OF PRAYER

Quiet Wednesday", April 17th: Recitation of the Rosary at 10:30 AM followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 3 PM. The Lenten Program begins with Soup and Rolls available from noon and the presentation will begin at **12:45 PM** and will end by **2 PM. There will be no evening presentation.** The topic on April 17th is: "**The God who is Love**". The whole mystery of God is summed up in these words: God is Love. This day, known as Spy Wednesday, is the prelude to our celebrating the Pascal Mysteries. Make the Sacred Triduum a time of special grace for you and yours. May God bless each and every one of you with a new awareness of what Resurrection truly means.

Happy Easter!

Sisters Dolores and Judith

Lectio Divina – The study of Scripture continues on Monday nights at St. Theresa's Hall at 7PM.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS FOR EASTER:

Forms are located at the doors of the Cathedral and on the communion rail for anyone who wishes to make an offering for **Easter Flowers "In Memory" of their deceased loved ones.**



The Easter Flower Memorials will be listed in a special leaflet and the names will be remembered at all the Masses on Easter Sunday. **Deadline is today, Sunday, 14th April.** Any excess funds will be used to purchase flowers for the Cathedral during the year. Thank you for your support!

THE CATHOLIC YOUTH GROUP:

There will be **no** youth group on Thursday, 18th April because of Holy Week. The next youth group will be on Thursday, 25th April at 7:30 pm in the MSA Gym.



CCD CLASSES: Parents you are reminded that CCD classes will **resume** on Saturday, April 27th at 8:45 am. Have a Happy Easter Holiday!

THE FEAST OF THE DIVINE MERCY:

Jesus requested through St. Faustina, a Polish nun, who was canonized by Pope John Paul II on April 30, 2000, that the first Sunday after Easter be officially established in the Church as the Feast of Mercy. Bishop Wes will celebrate a service for the Feast of Divine Mercy at **St. Patrick's Church on Sunday April 28th at 3:00 pm.** All are welcome to attend!



BISHOP'S CORNER



Dear Fellow-Catholics,

Last year I promised to the parishioners of St. Theresa's Parish that I would dedicate this year's Palm Sunday sermon to the role of the donkey in the history of salvation. I think others might enjoy this particular reflection as well, so here it is.

The donkey seems to be inscribed in the history of salvation. The Old Testament mentions it one hundred and thirty-eight times, and the New Testament five. The donkey appears in the most critical moments of Christ's life, always humbly staying by his side. His back serves Mary and Baby Jesus, while fleeing to Egypt. It should not be surprising, then, when legends and fairy tales were created that the characteristic cross-shaped fur on the back of an animal is seen as a gift from God Himself.

The sign of the cross fell on the back of the donkey and remained on his skin. What's more, this dark mark on the back, protecting from all dangers, has been inherited by donkeys in all subsequent generations. At all times, the donkey remained patient and modest. As he wandered through the desert, he learned to feed on thistles and dry food (Walloon legend).

The donkey is one of the first to worship the Most High: *On the third day, after the birth of the Lord, Mary left the cave and went to the stable. There she placed the Baby in a manger and an ox and a donkey, kneeling, worshiped him (Apocryph of the Second Gospel of Pseudo-Matthew).*

The donkey is a persistent and tireless companion on which Jesus entered Jerusalem, as prophesied by the prophet Zechariah: *Behold, your King is coming to you, just and victorious. Humble goes on a donkey.*

So why the donkey? Donkeys are herd animals, but will pair off with a best friend donkey buddy for life. They are used to hard labour; are clever and consistent in action and always strive for a set goal only expecting in return, food, respect and the opportunity to rest. Disregarded or unduly reprimanded, they will show their donkey's stubbornness. Humans can only envy them for their prudent stubbornness. They have a logical, flexible approach to problem-solving able to efficiently overcome the difficult road. At the same time, under the influence of too much pressure, they know when to lie down. They always defend their territory and members of their herd. If one falls under the weight of a load, the others will remain in solidarity with him. They have excellent memories, remembering places, people and their kin even up to 25 years. They like to be with humans; hence they are used in Onotherapy as a form of Hippotherapy. They work perfectly because they are affectionate, sensitive, loyal, sociable and curious. At the same time more submissive and less timid than a horse. Donkeys should never be underestimated. That is the reason the donkey is the perfect hero of children's stories, and a faithful companion of Jesus.

Easter traditions are usually associated with chickens, rabbits or lambs. It seems that there should be more space for the good donkey.

Have a good Palm Sunday and a blessed Holy Week!

Bishop Wes