

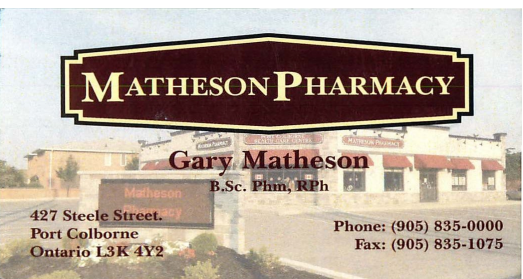
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**APRIL 7TH  
SECOND  
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Office Hours: Wednesday 8:30AM—4:30PM

Holy Mass Schedule:  
The Day of the Lord begins Saturday: Vigil 4:00PM  
Sunday: 9:00AM  
Weekdays: 8:00AM or as announced

Sacrament of Penance (Confession)  
Tuesday—Saturday: 7:00 AM –7:45 AM  
Saturday: 3:00-3:45PM  
Sunday: 8:00-8:45AM

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:  
Please contact the parish priest during serious illness or before surgery.

Sacrament of Baptism: By appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage:  
Please contact the parish priest as soon as possible. Pre-marriage classes are mandatory.

Eucharistic Adoration:  
First Friday of the Month: 8:30—9:30  
First Saturday of the Month: 8:30—9:30

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## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 7th, 2024 – Year B

### Mass Schedule & Intentions:

<b>Saturday</b> <b>4:00PM</b>	<b>April 6th Vigil of 2nd Easter Sunday</b> †John Pasko by Markovich family
<b>Sunday</b> <b>9:00AM</b>	<b>April 7th — 2nd Easter Sunday</b> All Parishioners
<b>Monday</b>	<b>April 8th: the Annunciation of Our Lord</b>
<b>Tuesday</b> <b>8:00AM</b>	<b>April 9th: Second week of Easter</b> †Tonelli family by Agnes
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>8:00AM</b>	<b>April 10th: Second week of Easter</b> †Bonito family by Fernanda DiNobile
<b>Thursday</b> <b>8:00AM</b>	<b>April 11th: Second week of Easter</b> †Giuseppe Miani by Bill & Carole Bruyère
<b>Friday</b> <b>8:00AM</b>	<b>April 12th: Second week of Easter</b> †Giuseppe Miani by Rita Sottana
<b>Saturday</b> <b>8:00AM</b>	<b>April 13th: Second week of Easter</b> †Fr. Bruno Bonomi by Aldo Bonomi
<b>4:00PM</b>	<b>Vigil of the Third Sunday of Easter</b> †Giuseppe Miani by Carmen Buri
<b>Sunday</b> <b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>April 14th: — Third Sunday of Easter</b> All Parishioners



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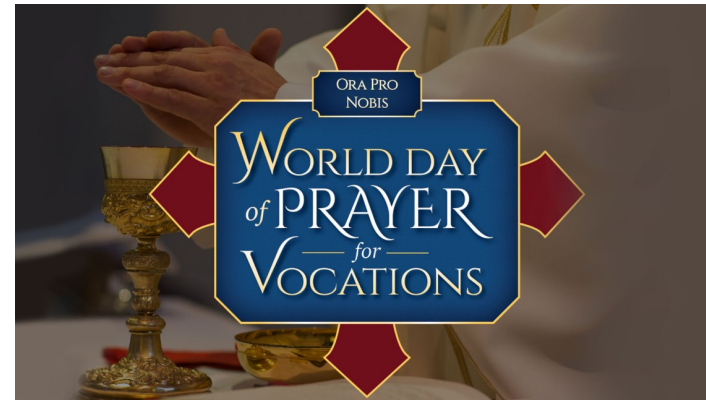
### Soup Sunday April 7th following the 9:00 Mass.

Take outs \$5.00, Sit down, which includes Roll and dessert \$10.00.

**Pope's intention prayers for the Month of April: For the role of women**

We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

April 21st:



The World Day of Prayer for Vocations calls us to reflect on God's call in our lives and to embrace various states of life to fulfill our deepest desire for happiness. It acknowledges the diverse vocations within the Christian community and emphasizes the importance of listening to God and discerning our paths together. As we journey towards the Jubilee Year of 2025, we are reminded to be pilgrims of hope, focusing on the love of God and our relationships with others. Despite challenges such as war, migration, poverty, and environmental concerns, we are called to embody and communicate hope through our vocations. Anchored in Christ's resurrection, we are encouraged to persevere, knowing that our efforts are not in vain, and to commit ourselves passionately to building peace and fraternity in the world. Let us rise up, embrace our vocations, and become messengers of joy, sources of new life, and builders of peace.

### CONFIRMATION



St. Therese of Lisieux welcomes Bishop Gerard Bergie as he confers the Sacrament of confirmation on our candidates. Confirmation will take place on **Apr 17th at 6:30PM**. All the parishioner are invited to participate to this very important celebration!



The office has received the Mass Intention Book for 2025. You can now reserve dates to remember and pray for your loved ones throughout this year and next. Envelopes for Mass Intentions are available at the Church Entrance. If you want a particular date, please note it on the envelope and include a number you can be reached at in case we have a conflict. You are also welcome to come to the Office on Wednesdays to book your Masses and get Mass Cards to send out if you need them.

### April 7th: DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



**3:00 Pm —> 4:00 Divine Mercy Chaplet & Adoration.**  
**Confessions available during the Adoration.**  
**4:00PM Holy Mass**

### ANNUAL DIOCESAN RESPECT FOR LIFE MASS

will be celebrated by  
**Most Rev. Gerard Bergie**  
Bishop of St. Catharines

on  
**The Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord**  
**Monday April 8, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.**  
at  
**The Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria**

**STARTING FROM APRIL 7TH, WE ARE RETURNING TO THE ORIGINAL MASS SCHEDULE, FEATURING A SINGLE SUNDAY MASS AT 9:00 AM.**

### April 7: Life of Faith and Community

The first reading talks about being part of the Christian community. Our faith doesn't push us to be alone in our beliefs, but to live a shared faith with other believers. Christians are called to show their faith in the risen Christ in their daily lives, where they live, work, study, and teach. This doesn't just mean talking about faith or praying together; it also means being ready to make social changes, helping the poor with generosity and coming together to support those in need.

The second reading reminds us that being a believer means responding to God's love by following His commandments. Believing in Christ changes us, making us children of God and part of a community of believers who we must love. Following God's commandments is the best way to show love for God and His children. This change in us is because of Christ's death on the cross, so following His commandments is crucial. When John talks about commandments, he isn't just talking about the ten laws but emphasizes that the greatest commandment is love.

The Gospel continues the thoughts from the first reading. Some key points are:

- 1) The Christian community is formed when Jesus is at the center, just like in the room where the disciples gathered after His resurrection. Jesus is the heart of the community, giving life and direction to His followers. Christians don't gather for political, economic, or family reasons; they gather because of Jesus.
- 2) Jesus' presence brings two gifts: peace and the Holy Spirit. Peace should characterize relationships within the community, while the Holy Spirit is the source of faith, helping the community experience God's forgiveness and share it with the world.
- 3) Even though the apostles' testimony is important, it's not perfect. Thomas' absence from the first encounter with the Risen Jesus highlights not only his struggle to believe but also the difficulty others have in making their faith believable. Thomas believes only after personally encountering the Risen Jesus: faith is a gift that comes from believers' testimony but also requires a personal encounter with Christ.

In summary, the text encourages believers to live out their faith together, showing God's love through a life of justice, solidarity, and obedience to His commandments. Jesus' presence in the community drives Christian life, while peace and the Holy Spirit support relationships within it. Finally, the apostles' testimony reminds us that faith requires a personal encounter with Christ.

### SUNDAY OFFERING

Holy Week Offerings (including e-transfers) :

Sunday Collection	\$ 1,372.00
Repairs	\$ 200.00
Dev. & Peace	\$ 55.00 (total \$2,015.00)
Easter Flowers	\$ 100.00 (total \$ 995.00)
Good Friday	\$ 1,100.00 (total \$1,130.00)
Easter	\$ 2,111.45 (total \$2,161.45)