



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH
 386 Rogers Street, Peterborough, ON K9H 1W7
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March 29 2026

PALM SUNDAY

MASSES FOR MARCH 31ST – APRIL 5TH

English Rosary: Saturday 4:10 p.m. / Sunday 9:10 a.m. / Polish Rosary: Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday, March 31 st	8:30 a.m.	+	Gary Widdis, requested by Marie Morrissey
Wednesday, April 1 st	8:30 a.m.	-	Special Intention, requested by a parishioner
Thursday, April 2 nd HOLY THURSDAY	7:00 p.m.	+	Chuck O'Connor & Dora Elliott, req. by Pat McPhail & family
Friday, April 3 rd GOOD FRIDAY	3:00 p.m.	...	<i>Passion of the Lord</i>
Saturday, April 4 th EASTER VIGIL	2:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	<i>Blessing of baskets</i> <i>For the people of Immaculate Conception parish</i>
Sunday, April 5 th EASTER SUNDAY	9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	+ +	Clayton Brown, requested by wife Madeline All Souls in Purgatory requested by the Tyka family

+ Mass for the Deceased / – Mass for the Living

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Andrew Morrison, Bonnie Morley, Brian Eberle, Cathy Lochner, Dan Selby, Dave Worr, Donna Ellis, Evelyn Crook, Francine Leger-Gillard, Gerard & Wanda Byrne, Jason Ayotte, Jo Morrison, Joanna Carlberg, John Dawson, Julianna & Mary Hauer, Kathy Hiltz, Keith Mathieson, Lauren Carey, Linda vanTol, M.J.B., Marian Dlugosz, Marie Green, Marilyn MacKeigan, Michael Dawson, Mike Sullivan, Neave Alderson, Pat D., Paul Rigby, Paul Scott, Peter McCarthy, Renie (Zeyen) Place, Rose Marie Vitarelli, Rosie Delorme, Sawyer Growden, Tim Ayotte, Zita Lightfoot and those who have no one to pray for them. **MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU CLOSE TO HIS HEART.**



EASTER FLOWERS: If you wish to help offset the cost of Easter flowers, kindly put an envelope marked “Easter Flowers” into the offertory basket. Thanks for helping to beautify our Easter celebration!



PALM SUNDAY BAKE SALE: This weekend after the 4:30 and 9:30 Masses. Bakers, drop off your goodies 30 minutes before Mass. Buyers, stock up for Easter!

EVERY BOTTLE COUNTS: Thanks to your generosity, the Knights of Columbus bottle drive fund has grown to **\$5,206.35!** Keep the momentum going by dropping off your returnable liquor, wine, beer bottles and beer cans at the Rectory garage this Saturday, **March 28th**, between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

REMINDER—WAY OF THE CROSS: The Way of the Cross returns this **Good Friday, April 3rd**! Beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains, the young people of the Diocese will reenact the Stations of the Cross along Hunter Street leading to Immaculate Conception Parish on Rogers Street. All are welcome!





SPAGHETTI DINNER WITH CHEF ENZO: Save the date! Chef Enzo will oversee our Spaghetti Dinner to be held in our parish hall on **Saturday, May 2nd**. Social @ 5:30 | Dinner @ 6:30. Adults, \$25, 12 and under, \$15. Under 5, free. Tickets sold after all Masses or call the Parish Office.

PETERBOROUGH PRO LIFE: The Peterborough Pro Life Annual General Meeting will host Celina Traynor, Director of Communications for Parents As First Educators, on *"How the Family is Undermined in Canadian Schools – Our Response"*, on Saturday, **April 18th**, at 12 noon, at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 317 Hunter Street West. Lunch will be provided. Parents are encouraged to attend this informative talk.

Holy Week - The Tridium

The summit of the Liturgical Year is the Easter Tridium—from the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday. Though chronologically three days, **they are liturgically one day**, unfolding for the faithful the unity of Christ's Paschal Mystery.

HOLY THURSDAY, MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

(April 2nd at 7:00 p.m.)

During the evening of Holy Thursday, the Mass of the Lord's Supper is celebrated. It is celebrated in the evening because Passover begins at sundown.



GOOD FRIDAY, THE PASSION OF THE LORD (April 3rd at 3:00 p.m.)

The altar is completely bare, with no cloths, candles or cross. The service is divided into three parts: Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion. The liturgy starts with the priest going to the altar in silence and prostrating himself for a few moments in silent prayer, then an introductory prayer is offered.

HOLY SATURDAY, EASTER VIGIL (April 4th at 8:00 p.m.)

The ceremonies of Holy Saturday are the most solemn memorial of the liturgical year. They comprise four parts: Service of the Light, Liturgy of the Word, Liturgy of Baptism, and Liturgy of the Eucharist. The Easter Vigil services include ceremonies that stress the Church's joy in commemorating the night that Christ rose from the dead. *Happy Easter! Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ is risen!*



EASTER SUNDAY, THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

April 5th at 9:30 a.m. [English]; 11:00 a.m. [Polish]

Easter is the feast of feasts, the unalloyed joy and gladness of all Christians. *Haec dies quam fecit Dominus: "This is the day which the Lord has made"*.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ is Risen! Happy Easter!

HOLY WEEK MASSES LIVESTREAMED FROM THE CATHEDRAL CAN BE VIEWED ON OUR HOMEPAGE.

"Let us follow Christ on the road of the cross, not as spectators, but as disciples who carry with him the weight of love."—Pope Leo XIV (Vatican Press).



Diocese of Peterborough

Message for Holy Week and Easter 2026

Dear Friends in the Diocese of Peterborough,

Pilgrimage was a big part of last year's Jubilee of Hope, and perhaps you participated in one. Rome is always "pilgrim central" at these special times for the Church and while many groups and individuals flock to the city, it is impractical for most people to get there. I was happy to see that many people visited one or more of our four Jubilee churches in the diocese, and hundreds came out for our pilgrimage to Martyrs' Shrine in September. Pilgrimage is always a central feature of a holy year, as our physical journey mirrors a spiritual one, and our longing to grow closer to God.

The whole Church makes a kind of pilgrimage in Holy Week, journeying with our Lord through the mysteries of his passion, death and resurrection. Beginning with his triumphant entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, we step with him into the Upper Room on the night of the Last Supper and follow him to Calvary and his cross on Good Friday. But we are never in doubt about the end point of the journey, which is the bright dawn of Easter Sunday, the empty tomb and the angel who declares, "He is risen!"

I pray that this Holy Week journey through the great mysteries of our faith may be a source of strength and hope for you. Our pilgrimage through life may have some twists and turns along the way, but we are always confident in the Lord who has gone before us, has defeated the powers of darkness, and who constantly invites us to follow him on the great adventure and journey of faith. May the Lord bless you abundantly this Holy Week and Easter.

Yours in Christ,

Bishop Daniel J. Miehm