



**Our Lady of Sorrows**, a title given to our Blessed Mother focuses on her intense suffering and grief during the passion and

death of our Lord. Traditionally, this suffering was not limited to the passion and death event; rather, it comprised the seven sorrows of Mary, which were foretold by the Priest Simeon who proclaimed to Mary, This child [Jesus] is destined to be the downfall and the rise of many in Israel, a sign that will be opposed and you yourself shall be pierced with a sword so that the thoughts of many hearts may be laid bare (Luke 2:34-35). These seven sorrows of our Blessed Mother included the flight of the Holy Family into Egypt; the loss and finding of the child Jesus in the Temple; Mary's meeting of Jesus on His way to Calvary; Mary's standing at the foot of the cross when our Lord was crucified; her holding of Jesus when He was taken down from the cross; and then our Lord's burial. In all, the prophesy of Simeon that a sword would pierce our Blessed Mother's heart was fulfilled in these events. For this reason, Mary is sometimes depicted with her heart exposed and with seven swords piercing it. More importantly, each new suffering was received with the courage, love, and trust that echoed her decree, *let it be done unto me according to Thy word*, first uttered at the Annunciation.

This Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows grew in popularity in the 12th century, although under various titles.

Some writings would place its roots in the eleventh century, especially among the Benedictine monks. By the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries, the feast and devotion were widespread throughout the Church.

Focusing on the compassion of our Blessed Mother, our Saint Pope John Paul II, reminded the faithful, Mary Most Holy goes on being the loving consoler of those touched by the many physical and moral sorrows which afflict and torment humanity. She knows our sorrows and our pains, because she too suffered, from Bethlehem to Calvary. *'And thy soul, too, a sword shall pierce.'* Mary is our Spiritual Mother, and the mother always understands her children and consoles them in their troubles. Then, she has that specific mission to love us, received from Jesus on the Cross, to love us only and always, so as to save us! Mary consoles us above all by pointing out the Crucified One and Paradise to us!



NO MASS ON MONDAYS

**NEW WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE:**

**Tuesday, September 15**

8:00 am + JEAN DRABIK – Irene and Charlie  
7:00 pm – for the elections in the USA

**Wednesday, September 16**

8:00 am + GEORGE MICHAEL GRINT – St. Anne School  
7:00 pm + JORGIANA MELO, JAIME TEIXEIRA, WILLIAM FURTADO and JOAO, LUIS AND EDUARDO – from Tina  
**CONFESSIONS 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm**

**Thursday, September 17**

8:00 am + JEANNIE ESCOBAR – her parents  
7:00 pm – the intentions of Rocco and Sandra Scarfone

**Friday, September 18**

8:00 am + MICHAEL WOZNUK – Teresa and Nick Cherri  
7:00 pm + **FOR THE SOULS IN PURGATORY**

**Saturday, September 19**

8:00 am + SOULS OF CATARINA and LORENZO - Theresa  
**CONFESSIONS at 9:00 am to 10:00 am**  
5:00 pm + JOAQUIM, ABEL and MARIA FREITAS - Lilliana  
+ TIAGO & DEOLINDA LARANJEIRO – Fatima & Tony

**Sunday, September 20**

9:00 am – for the intentions of all parishioners  
11:00 am + EMILIA OLIVEIRA and in honour of Santo Pio  
- from the Teresi family

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**SOULS IN PURGATORY MASS** – with our new weekday Mass schedule there is also a weekly evening Mass on Fridays for the *Souls in Purgatory* to pray for all the deceased. Special prayers will be lead by Sister Angeline, from the congregation of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Mother of Christ, beginning at 6:30 pm, with Mass at 7:00 pm. Please join us to pray for our deceased loved ones, and for those who have no one to pray for them.



NO MASS ON MONDAYS

**NEW WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE:**

**Tuesday, September 22**

8:00 am – the intentions of Arsenio Pontalba  
7:00 pm - for the elections in the USA

**Wednesday, September 23 - St. Pius of Pietrelcina**

8:00 am + MARIA MOURA & FAMILY – Antonio Moura  
7:00 pm + SAMANTHA DeSOUZA – her family  
- the intentions of Maria Pock  
- the intentions of Ines and Acacio Neves

**CONFESSIONS 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm**

**Thursday, September 24**

8:00 am – the intentions of Doug McGillvray  
7:00 pm + FR. CUNHA

**Friday, September 25**

8:00 am – The intentions of Helena Morley  
7:00 pm + FOR THE SOULS IN PURGATORY

**Saturday, September 26**

8:00 am + LEONIDES and MARCELINA FRANCISCO

**CONFESSIONS at 9:00 am to 10:00 am**

5:00 pm – for the intentions of Julie  
+ OTTO AND FAIMI and JULIETTE AND FELIX ROCHA –  
From Tarja and Elvino

**Sunday, September 27**

9:00 am – for the intentions of all parishioners  
11:00 am + ED DREHER – Nick and Tersa Cerri



**Parish Staff:**

Father Gary Schlack, Pastor  
Father Andrew Czarny, Associate Priest  
Rev. Mr. Nick Cerri, Deacon  
Myra Klaassen, RN – Ministry to Sick & Parish Nurse  
Barbara Roy – Office Administration  
Sandy Figueiredo – Custodian/Sacristan  
Carolyn Renner – Rectory household

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**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

**Beginning Sept 15th:**

*Tuesdays 1pm – 7pm*

*Wednesdays 1pm - 7pm*

*Thursdays 1pm - 7pm*

These days/times for quiet prayer in the Church will be held weekly. Please enter by the side door off the parking lot.

Everyone is welcome during these days; however, it is important to have dedicated volunteers who can commit to being present for an hour so that the Blessed Sacrament is not left unattended.

We still need people for specific hours. Please contact the parish office if you can help 519-621-2013

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**Religious Instruction Correspondence Course  
for children**

Programs are available for children from Kindergarten through to High School who are not currently receiving religious instruction. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children not in Catholic Schools also available. Families work through the programs at home. Contact Monica in the Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 or check out our website at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) and click on the Catechesis Office for more information, printable registration forms or to register online.



<https://www.catholicmomsgroup.com/>

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**Experiencing Stress in Your Marriage? Thinking about Separation or Divorce?** – Is your marriage not what you hoped it would be? Are you, or a relative or friend, heading for a possible divorce? Retrouvaille is designed to help marriages regain their health. The Retrouvaille program is highly successful in saving marriages and in helping them to thrive. For confidential information about, or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on Oct. 23, 2020. Please call 905-664-5212 or email: [Teamrecine@gmail.com](mailto:Teamrecine@gmail.com) or visit the website at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).