

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's gospel is the continuation of last Sunday's gospel. Last Sunday's gospel showed us the basic attitudes or qualities of the members of God's Kingdom. These qualities are best described in the beatitudes. Our gospel for today tells us about the task of those members: to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. I will focus on the salt and its characteristics, why Jesus Christ compares us to a salt. First, the salt flavors things and makes the food tasty. We know how tasteless and sickening to bite a food if there is no salt. We eat food because it tastes good and salted perfectly. So also, with us Christians, we must radiate Christ and make Christian values credible and attractive to other people. Second, salt preserves food, keeps things from going bad and rotten. Meat is a dead body and, if left to itself, goes bad. But salt preserves it and keeps it fresh. For us Christians, we must know how to preserve those Christian values so that we may be able to defeat evil ones and may help other people to be good. An actress was interviewed in one of the television talk shows on how she was able to become an actress. She was gifted with a beautiful face and attractive body. In other words, she was beautiful. According to her, she studied in a catholic school and was brought up by her parents in the catholic faith and values. After her graduation, a movie director approached and offered her a leading role in a movie he was doing. She was thrilled. The contract gave her a large amount of money and a vehicle for her to become popular. She agreed with the role after reading the script. But one day, the director told her that they have changed a scene by which she would have a bed scene with her leading man. And for this, she was offered a large amount of money again as a bonus, but she declined the offer. It is because she studied in a catholic school and she was taught of the grave moral harm and scandal that bold scenes would do to millions, particularly young people. So, the shooting went on minus that bed scene. Third, salt creates thirst. Do we ever make anyone thirsty for the Lord? Jesus said: "You are the light of the world." But what happens to our world today? Our world is not a better world because we, Christians, the 'representatives and the image of God, are not better persons, rather we are bitter persons. As Mahatma Gandhi said: "I like Christ, but I don't like Christians and the way they live." This is the reason he was not converted to Christianity. Be the salt of the earth and the light of the world in our words and deeds.

(Fr. Saju Oreethaparambil, C.Ss.R)

Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday, February 9 9:00 a.m.
 Helen Osmena req Leilani
 In memory of Annie Solomon req Ruby Benitez
 Grace Gullace req Mastroianni and Frappa families
 Julien Man req Irene and Antony Man
 All souls in purgatory req Benilda Fajardo
 Eva Smith req Theresa Didero and John Cancian

Tuesday, February 10 9:00 a.m.
 Intentions of Leilani Yotingeo req Rod Yotingeo
 In memory of Annie Solomon req Ruby Benitez
 Special intentions for Central Health Institute
 req Tessie and Lorenzo Abugan

Wednesday, February 11 7:00 p.m.
 ****NO MORNING MASS****

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES AND THE WORLD DAY FOR THE SICK



HEALING MASS

ADORATION: 6:00 P.M.
HEALING MASS: 7:00 P.M.

Doris Lagunday req Jolly Parsons
 In loving memory of Jeanie Dent req Katie Thompson
 Soul of Malcolm Pearce req Sharon and Tim Brennan
 Intentions of Alphonsa and Augustine req Joy and Gisha
 Thanksgiving req Marques family
 Birthday blessings for Jason Abugan req Loy and Tess
 Gilmar and Juliano Souza req Fernanda
 Eva Smith req Theresa Didero and John Cancian
 Mark Lim for healing req Teresa Tan

Thursday, February 12 9:00 a.m.
 Soul of Frances Dowhaniak req Rose and Kevin Wong
 In memory of Annie Solomon req Ruby Benitez

Friday, February 13 9:00 a.m.
 Lita Deles req Jolly Parsons
 Janina and Frank Zeglinski req Krystyna Zeglinska
 In memory of Herminia dela Cruz req Ruby Benitez
 Repose of the soul of Donald Watson req Jackie Sherk

Saturday, February 14 5:00 p.m.
 Doris Makino req Krystyna Zeglinska
 Blessings for Clay Bastien Bencito req Carolina Lewis
 All souls in purgatory req Teresa Tan
 Benjamin Man req Irene and Antony Man
 Soul of Lucy Thomas and V.D. Sebastian req Antu

Sunday, February 15 10:00 a.m.
For St. Charles Garnier Parish Community



BIBLE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

“Let everything that breaths praise the LORD. Praise the LORD.”

Psalm 150:6



PARISH SUPPORT

Jan 31/Feb 1, 2026

Sunday Offering	\$	1,980.00
Loose Offering		518.00
Seminary Education		300.00

Thank you for your generosity and continued support to St. Charles Garnier Parish.

PARISH MOVIE & DINNER NIGHT



“DEAD MAN WALKING”
Saturday, February 14, 2026
Following the 5:00 Holy Mass
Lasagna Dinner and Movie:
\$15/person
At St. Charles Parish Hall

Tickets are available after every Holy Mass
Please invite your family and friends



HEALING MASS

Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2026

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

AND THE WORLD DAY FOR THE SICK

6:00 p.m. ADORATION

7:00 p.m. HEALING MASS

& ANOINTING WITH HOLY OIL

Please join us in with your family and friends

“And the angel Gabriel came to Her and said, ‘Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!’” (Lk 1:28).

OUR LADY OF LOURDES PRAY FOR US

YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Are you willing to let your light shine as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com
hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

SAINT LUKE: THE STORY OF SALVATION FULFILLED

We have begun our study Bible study for eight weeks on the Gospel of Luke last Tuesday. The first week was well attended and there was a great spirit of peace and joy. If any of you are interested, please join us this beautiful study of the Gospel of Luke. Surely it will be an opportunity to us to grow closer to Christ through Scripture, prayer, and fellowship.

SCHEDULE

Tuesdays | February 3 – March 24, 2026

Morning Session: 10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon
(after the 9:00 AM Holy Mass)

Evening Session: 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Weekly Dates

February 3, 10, 17, 24

March 3, 10, 17, 24, 2026

REGISTRATION

- Fee: \$50.00
- Please register at the parish office

INFORMATION

☎ Parish Office: 905-528-0074

✉ Email: saintcharlesgarnier505@gmail.com

SOUPFEST



Sunday, March 1, 2026
after the 10:00 Holy Mass
Tickets: \$5.00 per person
Bowl of soup, crackers, tea or coffee, biscuit

THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS – SAVE THE DATE! Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2026? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Dabrowski and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 31, 2026 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is found under Upcoming Events on the home page at hamiltondiocese.com or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2026