

St. Joseph Church

Location: 920 Wellington St.
Port Elgin, ON



Masses this week:

Saturday, 5 p.m.
Sunday, 11 a.m.
Tuesday, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.
Friday, 9:30 a.m.

Confessions:

Saturday, 4 – 4:45 p.m.

St. Patrick Church

Location: 36 Albert St. S. (Hwy 21)
Southampton, ON



Masses this week:

Sunday, 9 a.m.
Thursday, 9:30 a.m.

Confessions:

Thursday 10 – 10:45 a.m.

Parish Office Hours:

Tuesday to Friday
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Divine Mercy Chaplet

After the 5 pm Mass on
Saturdays

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Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Francisco J. Sordo
Administrator: Rosalie Scarlett
Secretary: Gloria Villamil

Welcome to St. Joseph Parish!

If you are new in the area, we invite you to register with the parish office.
Please find the registration form [on our website](#).

January 28th, 2024

Fourth Sunday in



Jesus taught as one having authority – having power of his own.

When Jesus speaks or teaches, his words have power –
for example in today's Gospel by driving out demons.

In our lives, Jesus can free us from anxiety and bring us into union with the Father in the kingdom to come. Unlike all the preceding prophets, Jesus does not simply convey God's word and commands, he *is* God's word in the flesh. His power derives from the Father, for he and the Father are one.

You are welcome to come to the church to pray anytime during office hours

Sacraments:

Baptism: Contact the parish office for registration and information.

First Communion: The first preparation session is on Friday, February 16th at 6:30 pm.

Confirmation: Next Confirmation will take place in 2025.

R.C.I.A.: Adults and children Grade 3 and up, contact the parish office.

Marriage: Contact the parish office one year in advance.

Care of the Sick: To arrange pastoral visits to the sick, call the office.

Catholic Funerals: Please call the Funeral Home or the Parish at time of need. It is customary to celebrate a Funeral Mass in the church.

Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals are offered in Spanish upon request.

The Liturgy of the Word for Children

Sundays at the 11 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph Church

Children 3-9 are welcome!

Bulletin Advertising

The parish is accepting new advertisements for the bulletin. Support our parish community while promoting your business in our bulletin. Call the office.

JANUARY 28th, 2024

Liturgy on the Fourth Week in Ordinary Time

Date	Day	Time	+ / *	Intention <small>+ Rest in Peace / * Intentions of</small>	Requested by	Diocese
29-Jan	Mon			Pastor's Intentions		Rev. Michael Bennett
30-Jan	Tue	7pm	*	Holy Souls	Dave & Mary Lepper	Rev. James Curtin
31-Jan	Wed	9:30am		George Bugiardini	The Family	St. John of God (O.H.)
01-Feb	Thurs	9:30am	+	Mr. & Mrs. W. Fortney	Their Family	Rev. Ralph Diodati
02-Feb	Fri	9:30am	+	Mr. & Mrs. G. Dunn	Their Family	<i>The Presentation of the Lord</i>
03-Feb	Sat	5pm	*	Jerry & Gaetane Orszynowicz	Joe & Mairead Keely	Rev. David Lewis
			+	Connie Vercillo	The Rodgers Family	
			+	Charlie Kelly	Trudy Cook & Family	
			+	Joseph Peter Hoffele	James Hoffele	
04-Feb	Sun	9am	*	People of the Parish	N/A	<i>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
		11am	+	Marie Perreault	Judy & Brian Rozee	

Divine Mercy Candle – For thanksgiving

Canadian Food for Children CFFC accepts all food donations. Any items are welcome. Peanut Butter and granola bars are requested for February. Thank you for your generosity.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank is offering families in need of assistance to visit the Food Bank, on the third Wednesday of each month, from 1 pm – 6 pm, in the downstairs hall at St. Joseph Church. SVP is collecting crackers: soda & Ritz.

NOTE: Our Society is registered at the bank as “St. Vincent de Paul”, please make your donation cheques payable to **St. Vincent de Paul**.

Church Collections this week Regular contributions were \$2793, PAR \$1705/week.

To begin or change current regular contributions through PAR, please notify the parish office by the 10th of the month; automatic withdrawals from your bank account or credit card will begin on the 20th of the month.

First Communion 2024 Next preparation session is Friday, February 16th at 6:30 p.m. in Jubilee Hall.

R.C.I.A. Candidates gather on Saturdays at 10 a.m. in the downstairs Hall.

Prayer Line A group of parishioners prays for your needs from their homes. Your request for prayers can be emailed to wdtv@bmts.com. Please include your name and phone number.

Liturgy this week:

Wed. Jan. 30 – St. John Bosco, Priest (M)

Fri. Feb. 2 – The Presentation of the Lord (F)
World Day for Consecrated Life

Sat. Feb. 3 - St. Blaise

First Friday of the month– February 2nd

Blessing of the throats on the occasion of the Memorial of St. Blaise.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 10 am, followed by Adoration in silence until 11:45am, then Benediction and Reposition.

Seminary Education Collection - Sunday, February 4th

This collection supports the educational needs of seminarians

Vocations - Pray to know how God wants to use your talents and abilities. Could it be He is calling you to consider priesthood, religious life or diaconate? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

vocations@hamiltondiocese.com
hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

January Prayers request for:

Intentions: Jerry Webster, Ryan Nelson

Deceased: Linda Hosker Albanese, Helen Tschirhart, Ann Stromsmoe, Alicia Cook.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Hospitality Sunday – Join us after the 11 am Mass for fellowship, coffee and treats. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus who are hosting this month.

Thank you to all the Funeral Luncheon Helpers -

This ministry is so important and we appreciate your enthusiasm and hard work.

Do you know we have a Bible Exhibit with the occasion of the Bible Sunday? Come and visit it at the entrance of St. Joseph Church. Gorgeous Bibles and masterpieces of art will be exposed until February 3rd.

Knights of Columbus Council 6736 is supporting the Tim Hortons Special Olympics Donut Campaign from February 2-4. To pre-order, no less than 48 hours of your specified pick up date and time, fill the pre-order form in this link [Special Olympics Canada](#). All proceeds are donated to Special Olympics Canada.

National Catholic Health Care Week in Canada is celebrated February 4-10, 2024. The St. Joseph's Health System in the Diocese of Hamilton is one of the largest Catholic health systems in the country. The system, which cares for thousands every day, is the legacy of the determination and hard work of the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Hamilton. Their compassion and dedication live on in the thousands who serve in the SJHS every day. Check out resources for the special week [here](#).

Lectures in Catholic Experience at St. Jerome's University presents Dr. Jonathan Malesic, author of "The End of Burnout: Why Work Drains Us and How to Build Better Lives". He proposes that we should ground our working lives in human dignity, compassion for workers, and a greater emphasis on leisure as a site of meaningful activity. The book was selected as best book of 2022 by Amazon and is being translated into nine languages! He will show how these ideals are manifested in the communities of Benedictine monks and religious sisters. February 29th at 7:30 p.m. Notre Dame Chapel. Save the date.

The Ignatius Jesuit Centre - Loyola House in Guelph has published a long list of retreat opportunities and training in Ignatius in spirituality in its newsletter IJC VOICE. They are open for registration for sessions over the next 12-months and are already filling up! The sessions range from traditional, individually directed, silent retreats, to a host of day programs, including the goodness of food and cooking. Community garden plots are selling, and people are making their first 2024 forays through the Old Growth Forest. Benefit from the presence and proximity of such a powerful spiritual centre in our Diocese! Check out their [website](#).

Four Permanent Deacon Candidates were installed as Ministers of Lector by Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, on January 6th, at a ceremony at Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre, Ancaster. This is the second of three ceremonies prior to the celebration of their Ordination into the Order of Deacons. The next step is entry into the Ministry of Acolyte, bringing them closer and closer to the altar. At the present time, 43 Deacons serve in the Diocese of Hamilton, with seven men in formation. We pray for them! Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

World Day for Consecrated Life – Feb. 2 The purpose of the day is "to help the entire Church to esteem ever more greatly the witness of those persons who have chosen to follow Christ by means of the practice of the evangelical counsels as well as to be a suitable occasion for consecrated persons to renew their commitment and rekindle the fervour which should inspire their offering of themselves to the Lord" (St. John Paul II, 1997).

Young Adults Night Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of Adoration, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night and vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on **Saturday, February 3rd** at St. Michael Catholic Church (80 University Avenue West, Waterloo, ON). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Reel Justice Film Festival Join the Reel Justice Film Festival **February 24, 7:00 – 9:00 PM** for the screening of **La Lucha Sigue (The Struggle Continues)** with special guest speaker Honduran human rights investigator Elvin Hernandez. In Honduras, the most dangerous place in the world to be a land defender, the Lenca and Garifuna people are fighting to uphold their spirituality and Indigenous ways of life in the face of state backed mega-projects that threaten to destroy their lands and erase their existence. The screening and discussion will be hosted online via Zoom. Register and view our full schedule of events at:

<https://reeljustice.hamiltondiocese.com/> A partnership between the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives and Development and Peace, the Reel Justice Film Festival shines a spotlight on issues of social, political, and economic injustices.

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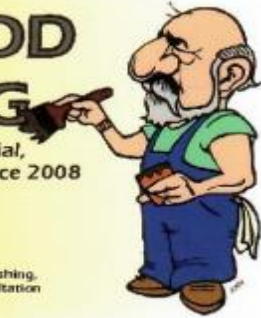


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