

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
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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](#).

**February 11th,
2024**

Sixth Sunday in



Do everything for the glory of God.

Paul's words are both commanding and encouraging.

As Christians, whatever we do ought to reflect who we are: children of the Most High God, adopted sons and daughters of the Lord. We are sisters and brothers of Christ, and our very identity should permeate all we say and do. We are encouraged in this endeavor, and aided by grace, so that we can glorify God for his sake, and for the sake of the world's salvation.

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!

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“Totally love him, who gave himself totally for your love.” - St. Clare of Assisi

FEBRUARY 11th, 2024

Liturgy after the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Date	Day	Time	+ / *	Intention + Rest in Peace / * Intentions of	Requested by	Diocese
12-Feb	Mon		*	Pastor's Intentions	N/A	Rev. Michael McHugh
13-Feb	Tue	7pm	+	Jacob Thomas	Thomas Manankary	Rev. Msgr. Theodore Slaman
14-Feb	Wed	9:30am	+	George Bugiardini	The Family	Ash Wednesday
		7pm	+	Natalie Elizabeth Hoffele	James Hoffele	
15-Feb	Thu	9:30am	+	Robert Wunder	Claudia Wunder	Rev. William Trusz
16-Feb	Fri	9:30am	*	Stacey Jennings & Family	The Cook Family	Rev. Vincent Kim Van Toan
17-Feb	Sat	5pm	*	Artur Solewski & Family	The Family	Rev. Msgr. Edward Sheridan
			+	Denise Daguere	Jerry & Gaetane Orszynowicz	
			+	Marie Perreault	The Cook Family	
			+	Alice Winter	The Family	
			+	Clayton Anthony Hoffele	James Hoffele	
18-Feb	Sun	9am	*	People of the Parish	N/A	First Sunday Of Lent
		11am	+	Charles Kelly	Helen Tackaberry	

Divine Mercy Candle – The Pope's health and special intentions

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

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.

Church Collections this week Regular contributions were \$2734, PAR \$1705/week.

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. Candidates will begin to study what Lent means, and all its practices.

Join Linda Staudt virtually on Wednesday, February 21 at 7 pm. Former Catholic Central High School principal Linda Staudt attended Synod. She was only one of 10 people from North America appointed to the General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops. For the first time in history, lay members and women have been invited. Register at [An evening with Linda Staudt](#).

Join David John Starrs and others for a Bruce County Pentecost Pilgrimage. This pilgrimage is a transformative journey of faith, penance and prayer, and will include two nights of camping along the way.



The pilgrimage starts at day break on Saturday May 18 at St. Joseph Parish, Saugeen Shores, Lake Huron. Father Francisco Sordo will send us off with a Blessing for this 90+km journey. For 3 days we'll travel throughout our beautiful Bruce County countryside on concession roads and rail trails. Our Journey finishes at Immaculate Conception Church in Formosa, also known as the Cathedral of the north, where we will be received by Father Emmanuel Azike. For those who feel they cannot partake of the full 90km+ walk, there is an option to walk a portion of the pilgrimage route. This pilgrimage is geared for adults. Anyone younger than 18yrs but older than 16yrs is welcome but will require a chaperone. For further inquires and details such as the route, how to prepare physically, spiritually, or what to pack, etc. please contact davidjohnstarrs@gmail.com.

February Prayers request for:

Intentions: Ken W., Paula Londono, Muriel Rousselle.

Deceased: Alicia Cook, Harriet Trepanier, Deiter Stemmler.

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LENT 2024

The season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday and ends before the Eucharistic liturgy on Holy Thursday evening. Lent is a penitential season. It recalls the 40 days Jesus spent in the desert, and the 40 years the Israelites wandered in the desert. Lent focuses on the events leading up to Christ's passion, and finally on the Passion itself. The liturgical colour of Lent is purple, a sign of reflection and conversion.

Ash Wednesday – Receiving the ashes on our foreheads on Ash Wednesday reminds us of the passage of time, and our constant need to turn away from wrongdoing. Wearing ashes on our foreheads indicates our willingness to do penance.

February 14	9:30 a.m.	Mass with the School
	7 p.m.	Mass at St. Patrick

The Stations or the Way of the Cross reminds us of Jesus' suffering, and reminds us that we are not alone in our own suffering. Being called to live and love like Christ means we will have our own crosses to bear.

The Way of the Cross reminds us that by carrying these crosses we are following in the footsteps of Christ.

There are several opportunities to accompany Jesus in his journey:

St. Joseph @ 7 pm	St. Patrick @ 7 pm	Romanowich's Place @ 1 pm (057002 Concession 11 Georgian Bluffs)	Shadows Play at St. Joseph School
	February 16		
February 23	March 1		March 19 @ 2pm
March 8	March 15	March 15	March 20 @ 7pm
March 22	March 29		March 21 @ 2pm

Deepen your faith and enrich your Spirit with these Video Presentations on Wednesdays @ 7 pm – Jubilee Hall

February 21	Deacon Harold Burke Sivers	Finding Hope and Holiness in the Culture of Woke (How Today's World is reliving the Babylonian Captivity)	86 mins.
February 28	Dr. Edward Sri	In the World but Not of the World	53 mins.
March 06	Dr. John Bergsma	The Fire of Holiness God's Burning Presence in Salvation History	50 mins.
March 13	Deacon Harold Burke-sivers	The Beatitudes as a Roadmap to Holiness	55 mins.
March 20	Dr. Scott Hahn	Holy is His Name... The Transforming Power of God's Holiness	53 mins.

Confessions – During Lent, it is important to remember the social consequences of sin as well as the fact that the heart of the virtue of penance is hatred of sin as an offence against God.

In addition to the regular hours (Thursdays 10am @ St Patrick & Saturdays 4pm @ St Joseph) Confessions will be heard on Fridays after the Stations of the Cross in the corresponding church (see schedule above) - Please plan ahead, do not procrastinate. NOTE: There will be NO CONFESSIONS HEARD DURING HOLY WEEK INCLUDING PALM SUNDAY WEEKEND (March 23rd).

Tenebrae – *A meditation on the Passion of Christ, Grieving over Darkness, Reflecting on Redemption* – Spy Wednesday, March 27 @ 8 pm at St. Joseph Church.

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Fasting & Abstinence

The Church teaches that **fasting** (eating just one full meal per day) and **abstinence** (doing without certain foods) must be combined with prayer and works of charity for genuine Christian living. Fasting is a spiritual practice that's meant to refocus attention on God. All Catholics between the ages of 14 – 59 who are in good health, are obliged to fast and abstain.

Abstinence from meat: All Fridays
Ash Wednesday & Good Friday: Abstinence & Fasting

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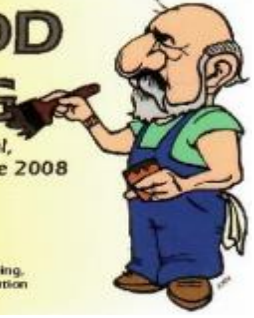
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Just for tonight I will accept that I have done the best I could, remembering that my goal is spiritual progress and not perfection. I will let go of any expectation I had for this day, as well as any disappointment, shame of guilt felt for not being perfect today.