

## **St. Joseph Church**

**Location:** 920 Wellington St.  
Port Elgin, ON



### **Masses this week:**

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

### **Confessions:**

Saturday, 4 p.m.



## **St. Patrick Church**

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

### **Masses this week:**

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

### **Confessions:**

Thursday, 10 a.m.

### **Knights of Columbus:**

meet every first  
Wednesday of the month  
at 6:30 p.m. – Jubilee Hall.  
Contact: Jim LaBlance  
[jimlablance@hotmail.com](mailto:jimlablance@hotmail.com)

### **Secular Franciscans:**

Bob Perrault  
519-832-3525

### **St. Vincent de Paul**

**Food Bank:**  
519-832-2207

# SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

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**Parish Office Hours:** Tuesday to Friday 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

### **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](#) or at both churches.

**February 16<sup>th</sup>,  
2025**



***Jesus lived his lesson of blessing and woes with humility,  
accepting persecution and death for doing what was right,  
His Father's will.***

Jesus refers to the poor in spirit who are blessed with the humility to understand that God has provided them with whatever they have. Recognizing this, the poor in spirit are then filled with a hunger to move closer to God.

Despite our preference to avoid mourning, unfettered grief brings with it the realization that we can only move past it with God's help. Jesus doesn't disparage the rich and comfortable for what they have but rather for their incapacity to use their accumulated earthly gains to ease other's burdens.

Living with Christ Sunday Missal

### **Sacraments:**

**Baptism:** Contact the parish office for information.

**First Communion:** Will take place on May 3 & 4, 2025

**Confirmation:** Will take place on June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**R.C.I.A.:** Will gather on Saturdays at 10 a.m. in Jubilee Hall.

**Marriage:** Contact the parish office one year in advance.

**Communion to the Homebound:** Arrangements can be made for you to receive Communion at home.

**Anointing of the sick:** If you are having a major surgery, have a terminal illness, or if you feel in danger of death, you can call the parish 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.**

**Liturgy of the Word for Children is running during the 11 a.m. Mass.**

## February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Liturgy for the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time						
Date	Day	Time	+ / *	Intention <small>+ Rest in Peace / * Intentions of</small>	Requested by	Diocese
17-Feb	Mon		*	Pastor Intentions	N/A	Rev. Paul Edmondstone
18-Feb	Tue	7pm	*	Forgotten Souls in Purgatory	G. Dorzek	Rev. Fernand Pierre
19-Feb	Wed	9:30am	+	Steven Van Asma	G. & D. Walsh & Family	Discaled Carmelite Sisters, O.C.D.
20-Feb	Thu	9:30am	+	Beno Spitzer	R. & R. Scarlett	Rev. Grzegorz Ogorzalek
21-Feb	Fri	9:30am	+	George & Margaret Dunn	E. Fortney	Rev. Msgr. Edward Sheridan
22-Feb	Sat	5pm	+	Henry Martin	Linda Martin	Very Rev. David Wynec
			+	Joshua George	R. & R. Scarlett	
			*	Edith Fries & Family	S. Czarnik	
			+	John Vallieres	F. Vallieres	
23-Feb	Sun	9am	*	Joe & Mairead Keely	J. & G. Orsztynowicz	<b>Seventh Sunday in Ordinary time</b>
		11am	*	People of the Parish	N/A	

**Divine Mercy Candle** - Sharon Neale- **Divine Mercy Chaplet:** After the 5 p.m. Mass on Saturdays

### Liturgy this week

Mon. Feb. 17 – The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order (OM)

Fri. Feb. 21 – St. Peter Damian, Bishop, Doctor (OM)

Sat. Feb. 22 – Chair of St. Peter, Apostle (F)

Sun. Feb. 23 – 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Church Collections this week

Regular contributions were \$2755, PAR \$1769/week.

Thank you for your generosity!

**St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank** – Families in need of assistance are invited to visit the Food Bank in the downstairs hall at St. Joseph Church twice per month, on the first and third Wednesday of every month, **from 11:00 a.m. till 2 p.m.** SVP is collecting almond / oat milk boxes, crackers, puddings and Jello mix.

**Canadian Food For Children** is collecting Granola bars and peanut butter for the month of February.

**Pope's Prayer Intentions** – For vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

**Vocations** Happy are those who know they need God.



Happy too those who live faithfully the vocation of the life-commitment God calls them to, be it married, single, religious or priesthood. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, 905-528-7988. Email

[vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)  
[hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/)

### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

First Reconciliation and First Communion:

Next Session: **February 28<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 p.m. Jubilee Hall

Confirmation:

Next Session: **February 21<sup>st</sup>** at 6:30 p.m. in Jubilee Hall

RCIA – Saturdays at 10 a.m. in Jubilee Hall.

**Be wise, my soul,  
and trust in God alone;  
cling to God and cast your cares on  
God alone.** St. Robert Bellarmine

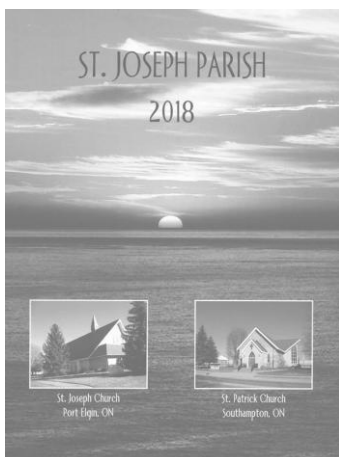
## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**We bring the Church to people** who cannot physically come to Church. In this way, the sick and homebound are united to the Body of Christ present in our community. Join us this Sunday, February 16<sup>th</sup> at Elgin Lodge for the celebration of Holy Mass at 2:15 p.m.

### **Parish Photo Directory**

If you want to take part in this year's Parish Photo Directory, please contact the office. We will contact those interested to make an appointment to take their picture. There is no cost to participate; however, some people find this an opportunity to buy professional photos, which will be paid directly to the company.

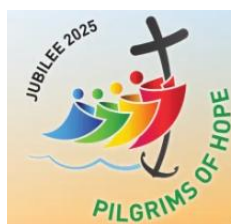
"Year of Hope" is the theme of the parish photo directory.



**The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass – Save the Date!** Are you celebrating your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2025? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Crosby and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 1, 2025 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](http://hamiltondiocese.com).

**Enhancing Self-Esteem** - This program provides the opportunity to increase your self-awareness and to learn specific skills for building positive self-esteem, which will assist you to feel stronger in all areas of your life. Issues covered during the course include taking responsibility for your own thoughts and feelings, positive ways to behave assertively, and setting realistic goals for your future. The program will be offered from March 24 - June 9 (no sessions April 21 & May 19) and is held at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West Hamilton. Cost is \$35 for materials. To register, contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or e-mail [familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com).

### **Jubilee of Hope, 2025**



#### What is Hope?

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Hope is the theological virtue by which we desire the Kingdom of Heaven and eternal life as our happiness, placing our trust in Christ's

promises and relying not on our own strength, but on the help of the grace of the Holy Spirit.

#### How can hope bring us faith?

Hope can help us grow in faith by giving us trust in God's promises and by helping us to act with justice and charity.

May we fully embrace this Jubilee Year!

**Bruce County Pentecost** - Join David John Starrs and others in this Jubilee Year for a 3 day Walking Pilgrimage.

A Pilgrimage of Hope on June 7-9, 2025 starts at daybreak on Saturday June 7<sup>th</sup> at St. Joseph Church, Saugeen Shores, Port Elgin. Father Francisco will send us off with a blessing for this 80km 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 and celebrate Mass.


The pilgrimage involves walking approximately 26.3kms for the first day, 33.2kms for the second day, then 19.5kms for the last day. There will be two overnight designated camping rest stops in the countryside. For further details such as the route, how to prepare physically, spiritually, or what to pack, and to register, contact [davidjohnstarrs@gmail.com](mailto:davidjohnstarrs@gmail.com).

**ReSTART: Moving Forward** – Our 10 week program offers education and support to anyone seeking to heal and move forward after divorce or separation. The sessions will be offered from March 24 - June 9 (no sessions April 21 & May 19) and are held at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West in person, or you are welcome to join our Zoom classroom if you are from outside the Hamilton area. Cost is \$35 for materials, but no one is turned away. To register go to [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com) and look for the date under Upcoming Events, or contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or e-mail [familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com).

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**Winter Weather** – In the event of severe winter weather conditions, we advise parishioners to avoid dangerous driving. However, the priest will celebrate Mass even if it is on his own. Doors will still be opened for those who are able to make it safely. Do not be obliged to come just because the Mass/priest will celebrate.



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