

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. **Spanish**

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.

Church Collections

This week's regular contributions were \$2606
PAR \$1377/week
Diocesan \$435

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SSVP Hot Line:

519-832-2207

Twenty-sixth Sunday in



October 1st, 2023

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

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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](#).

Sacraments:

Baptism: Contact the parish office for registration and information.

First Communion: Registration are open for the celebration on Easter.

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 **Rosary Garden** is open weather permitting during office hours.

Turn away from sin and follow Christ.

In today's Gospel parable there is a model son, who gives honour to his father by verbally assenting to his father's wishes. But his words are hollow, and his virtue is a mirage. How does our own reality measure up to our Christian ideals? Loving our neighbour sounds like a lovely sentiment until they cut us off on the highway. May Christ who calls us always to conversion help us root out any hollowness and hypocrisy in our own lives that we may truly confess that Jesus is Lord.

October – Month of the Rosary

Join us to pray the Rosary before the weekday Masses.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

October 6th is First Friday of the month! Exposition at 10 a.m., followed by adoration in silence until 11:45, and Benediction and Reposition.

"... but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, 'Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you'" - Ephesians 5.13-14

OCTOBER 1ST, 2023

Liturgy of the Twenty-Sixth Week in Ordinary Time

Date	Day	Time	+RIP * Ints.	Intention	Requested by	Diocese
2-Oct-23	Mon	*	*	Pastor's Intentions	N/A	Rev. Toby Collins, C.R.
3-Oct-23	Tue	7pm	+	Eileen Stody	Catherine & Paul Motz	Rev. Joseph de Viveiros, C.R.
4-Oct-23	Wed	9:30am	+	Gladys Teeple	Knights of Columbus	Felician Franciscan Sisters (C.S.S.F.)
			*	Mary Kischuck	Norm & Karen Lalonde	
			*	Holy Souls	Dave & Mary Lepper	
5-Oct-23	Thu	9:30am	+	Noreen Hilbig	Len & Helen Tackaberry	Rev. Robert Love
6-Oct-23	Fri	9:30am	+	Dcsd members of the Vidotto Family	Brenda Murray	Rev. Marian Gil, O.M.I.
7-Oct. 23	Sat	5pm	+	George Gratton	Jerry & Gaetane Orsztynowicz	Rev. Zygmunt Baranowski - Our Lady of the Rosary
8-Oct-23	Sun	9am	+	Noreen Hilbig	Brenda Murray	Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
		11am	*	People of the Parish	N/A	

Divine Mercy Candle is lit this week for the intentions of Sue Rionglom.
For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world!

Spanish Mass & Fiesta – Join us for the last Spanish Mass for our seasonal workers before they return to their homes, this Tuesday, October 3rd at 7 p.m. All are welcome.

P.E.A.R.L. invites you to quietly and prayerfully defend the unborn in our **Annual Life Chain**, Sunday, October 1st from 2-3 p.m. Meet at St. Patrick Church in Southampton at 1:45 p.m. People all across the country will be gathering in their local cities and towns along the main street, quietly holding Pro-life signs which will be provided.

Prayer to end abortion – the 40 Days of Prayer will begin at the end of the Life Chain. Copies of the prayers are available from board members or online at <https://winghamright2life.com/>. Please join us in our prayers for 40 days.

Sunday Missals for the new liturgical year have arrived, and they are for sale at \$5 at the Parish Office.

“St. Catherine of Siena” - The Dedication of a new Church in our day and age, is great news because many churches have been closing around the world. Fr. Francisco is attending on October 22nd at 3 p.m. in Hamilton.

For this reason, the 11 am Mass at St. Joseph Church will be cancelled. Please plan to attend the 5 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph Church on Saturday, or the 9 a.m. Mass at St. Patrick Church on Sunday.

Liturgy this week:

Mon. Oct. 2 – The Holy Guardian Angels (M)

Wed. Oct. 4 – St. Francis of Assisi (M)

Sat. Oct. 7 – Our Lady of the Rosary (M)

F- Feast
M – Memorial
S – Solemnity

Ushers Needed for the 11 am Mass on Sundays to help with collection of the offertory with the collections, and direct people at Communion time.

Altar Servers – Children Grade 4 and up who have received their First Communion are welcome to join the team of Altar Servers for the weekends. Speak with Fr. Francisco or call the office.

A call for the families of all Grade 2 Students

This is an important year for your child! As a parish, we are ready to support your family at the time of preparation for the Sacraments of First Communion and First Reconciliation. We look forward to helping you and your child feel welcomed, well-prepared, and ready to receive the Sacraments. If your neighbour or someone you know has a Grade 2 Student, please pass this message.

Information Night: October 20th @ 6:30 p.m. at Jubile Hall.

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ON OCTOBER 4th, POPE FRANCIS will open the first session of the 16th Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops, **“For a Synodal Church. Communion, Participation, Mission”**. In a recent letter to Bishops around the world, Cardinal Mario Grech, General Secretary of the Synod encouraged every baptized person and every particular Church to pray unceasingly that the Holy Spirit guide the Synod participants as they discern what the Lord is asking of his Church today. *“With the prayer of listening, adoration, intercession and thanksgiving, the whole ecclesial community will be present, in the power of the Spirit, at the Synodal Assembly as an event that concerns all the baptized.”* **“Without prayer, there will be no Synod”** Pope Francis, 2022

R.C.I.A. The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults will start on Saturday, October 7 at 10 a.m. in the downstairs Hall. If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, or if you want to become Catholic, or you haven't received the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation, please call the parish office for more information on how to join the group.

Knights of Columbus - Council 6736 is having a Fall Collection Drive in support of the Grey Bruce Pregnancy Centre - please consider donating your gently used items. This will be held from Saturday, October 7th until Sunday, October 15th, 2023 - at Saint Patrick and Saint Joseph Churches following the masses. A bin will be at the rear entryway at St Patrick's and a bin will be in the narthex of St Joseph's. Grey Bruce Pregnancy Centre has need of the following items: Rubber or Winter Boots all sizes (up to 12), Clothing for Boys - sizes 3 to 10, Clothing for Girls - sizes 5 to 10, Baby Toiletries and Strollers Single and Double, and baby toys. Please ask your family and friends if they may have some of these items available for donation. Thank you for your support of the Fall Collection. For further details, please contact Mark Lukas lukas@bmts.com.

Canadian Food for Children CFFC is a registered charity with the Canadian government. Donate at [Canada Helps](#) or in the collection box at the back of both churches.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul –You can contribute regular monthly donations to St. Vincent de Paul by Preauthorized Remittance (PAR). Contact the parish office to register. This week they are collecting black beans, kidney beans, bean medley, canned lentils, dry lentils. Thank you for your generosity.

Smart Steps – Supporting Step-Families

This is a one-day workshop designed to assist all parents and step-parents who are adjusting to blended family life. Sessions will be held at Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph, 28 Norfolk Street. Time: 9:15a.m. - 3:30p.m., Price: \$50 per person, Date: Saturday, October 14, 2023. Register on line: hamiltondiocese.com and look under Upcoming Events. For more information contact the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

Men's Discernment Group - Invitation

If you would like to explore the possibility of becoming a Catholic priest, please join me, Father Mark Morley, and other men who are discerning their vocation, by attending our diocesan Men's Discernment Group. Our first meeting for the Fall will be held on Friday, October 20th at 7:00pm at St. Michael Church, 80 University Ave W, Waterloo, ON. We will gather in the hall. Please use the side doors at the front of the church. If you would like to attend, or have any questions, please contact me: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

Marriage Support

Your marriage doesn't have to feel like it is more trouble than joy, that it feels stagnant or disconnected and/or that it is causing you constant stress. The solution is Retrouvaille - a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works well for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend is Oct. 20-22. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com.

The Eucharist! That is your centre, your life, your death.

It is God with us in person. ~ St. Peter Julian Eymard

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Attention:

On Sunday, October 22nd

The 11 a.m. Mass will be

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5 p.m. Mass on Saturday at St. Joseph Church or the
9:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday at St. Patrick Church in Southampton

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