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.

> <u>Confessions</u> Saturday 4 p.m.

St. Patrick Church

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



<u>Masses this week:</u> Thursday, 9:30 a.m. Sunday, 9 a.m.

<u>Confessions</u> Thursday 10 a.m.



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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 <u>on our website</u>.





"Today's readings highlight the need to be vigilant about what matters:

setting our sights on God and following his path to eternity. Hopelessness is useless because God won't abandon us. On the World Day of the Poor, we remember those who suffer and struggle to make ends meet. Let us give thanks to God for giving us the hope of heaven. With God, darkness won't extinguish hope.

We only have to follow the light of our faith.

Living with Christ

Sacraments:

Baptism: Contact the parish office for information. First Communion: First session will be on Friday, November 29th at 6:30 p.m. Confirmation: First session will be on November 22nd at 6:30 p.m. in Jubilee Hall R.C.I.A.: Will gather on Saturdays at 10 a.m. in the Boardroom. Marriage: Contact the parish office one year in advance. Care of the Sick: If you are unable to attend church:

<u>Communion to the Homebound</u>: arrangements can be made for you to receive Communion at home.

Anointing of the sick: If you are having a major surgery, or a terminal illness, or if you feel in danger of death you may want to receive this sacrament.

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.

November – Month of the Holy Souls

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let the perpetual light shine upon them. And may the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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

NOVEMBER 17th, 2024

Liturgy for the Thirty-third Week in Ordinary Time						
Date	Day	Time	+/*	Intention + Rest in Peace / * Intentions of	Requested by	Diocese
18-Nov	Mon		*	Pastor's intentions	N/A	Rev. Archange Kebe
19-Nov	Tue	7pm	+	Beata Panek	A Parishioner	Rev. Fernand Pierre
20-Nov	Wed	9:30am	*	Ann Carganilla on her Birthday	Dave & Mary Lepper	Deceased Consecrated Brothers and Sisters
21-Nov	Thu	9:30am	*	Michael Sebastian & Marjorie Dorzek	Gary Dorzek	Catholic Young Adults
22-Nov	Fri	9:30am	*	Mary Murray	Rick & Caroline Przybysz	Rev. Godwin Pinto, O.C.D.
23-Nov	Sat	5pm	+	Fr. Bob Banares	Dave & Mary Lepper	Rev. John Schnurr
24-Nov	Sun	9am	*	People of the Parish	N/A	Our Lord Jesus Christ,
		11am	+	Jerry Vlcek	Wendy Arscott	King of the Universe

Divine Mercy Candle - Jim & Chris Hilbig - Divine Mercy Chaplet: After the 5 p.m. Mass on Saturdays

Liturgy this week

<u>Thurs. Nov. 21</u> – The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (M)

<u>Fri. Nov. 22</u> – St. Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr (M) <u>Sun. Nov. 24</u> – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (S)

Protect Trees and the Environment -

<u>Collection Envelopes</u> – The Parish can only operate with your contributions (Time, Talent and Treasure). When you contribute your treasure <u>weekly</u>, please

register with the office to receive the collection envelopes every three months by mail.

If you choose to contribute <u>monthly</u>, please let us know and we will provide a set of envelopes for the year. You can also use the pink envelopes found in the pews to contribute <u>annually</u>.

PAR Pre-Authorized Giving is also an option to give the Parish through scheduled monthly transfers from your bank account. On or near the 20th day of each month, your account will be debited an amount you specify. Talk to the office for more information. Thank you for your generosity!

Vocations – If we dare to trust God with our lives, great things happen. Give God your total self for, when the end of times comes, the wise and those who work for justice will shine forever. Dedicate your life to furthering the reign of God. If you feel God may be calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon in His Church, call Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, 905-528-7988. Email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

Canadian Food for Children CFFC is collecting dried lentils and vegetable oil during the month of November.

World Day of the Poor – November 17th In 2017, Pope Francis instituted the World Day of the Poor so that 'throughout the world Christian communities can become an ever greater sign of Christ's charity for the least and those most in need." - Message of his Holiness, Pope Francis, 2017 - SVP is asking for blankets, sleeping bags, rolled up foam for our Port Elgin area homeless (rough guesstimate 30 people) now until <u>November 30th</u>. Blankets can be new or gently used & laundered, and they may be purchased at thrift stores.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

First Reconciliation and First Communion:

First Session: November 29th at 6:30 p.m. Jubilee Hall

Confirmation:

First Session: **November 22nd** at 6:30 p.m. in Jubilee Hall <u>Next Sunday at the 11 a.m. Mass</u> is the Commitment ceremony for the candidates for Confirmation.

<u>RCIA</u> – Saturdays at 10 a.m. in the Boardroom.

Rite of Acceptance

<u>Next Weekend at the 5 p.m. Mass</u> we will welcome new members in our midst. Jacob Mattinson and Justian Clark will be celebrating the *"Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens."* They are preparing for Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. They are signed by the cross of Christ and affirm their intention to live under Christ's cross. You are important in this celebration and will welcome them into our midst and share your faith with them.

Before coming next week, please give some thought to this question:

"What is the cross you are embracing in your own life?"

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Volunteer Spotlight: Gaetane and Mandy help attending the little store before and after the 5 p.m. and 11 a.m. Masses.

We are grateful for all our Volunteers!

Anointing of the sick - If you or someone you love are having a major surgery, or a terminal illness, or if you feel in danger of death, you may want to receive this sacrament.

Do not wait until the last moment to call the priest; please contact the office in advance if possible.

Cookies & Carols –



Join us on the first weekend of Advent (Sunday) for Cookies and Carols in Jubilee Hall after the 11 am Mass. Your Hosts: The Rector Family. Everyone is welcome!

Ladies Christmas Party!

Thursday, December 12th - 6 p.m. – Jubilee Hall Tickets: \$40 cash - Buy yours before Dec. 6th [50/50 draw to support the St. Joseph School new playground] (Your Organizer Volunteers: Connie V., Marjorie D., Tatiana O.)

St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank is inviting families in need of assistance to visit the Food Bank, twice a month, in the downstairs hall at St. Joseph Church, as follows:

<u>First Wednesday</u> from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Third Wednesday from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

SVP is collecting coffee, fruit cocktail, peaches, hamburger helper.

St. Vincent de Paul Angel Tree – The SVP Angel Trees are up at both churches. Please purchase a gift card from Wal-Mart or Food Basics of \$25 for our families in need to buy a Christmas turkey and for a gift for children 17 years and younger. Please place the gift card on the SVP boxes or drop it at the collection basket during Masses before <u>December 10th</u>.

Knights of Columbus meet every first Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. – Jubilee Hall.

Church Collections this week

Regular contributions were \$3254, PAR \$1759/week. Thank you for your generosity.

Vatican II and its four constitutions Wednesday at 7 p.m., Jubilee Hall

A TRADITIONAL SERVICE OF NINE LESSONS & CAROLS



KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1ST, 2024 AT 7:00PM FREE WILL OFFERING

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, November 17th at <u>Southampton Care</u> <u>Centre</u> at 3 p.m. Next Sunday we will celebrate Mass at <u>Elgin Lodge</u> at 2:15 p.m.

"Thank you to the many parishioners who generously donated towards the fundraising for <u>St. Joseph School's</u> <u>New Playground Structure.</u> Over \$3300 was donated in just over a week. The support for a safe outdoor space for the students at our growing school is outstanding! For any other donation, cheques can be made out to "Bruce-Grey Catholic District School Board Charitable Trust." Thank you! Merci! Migwetch!"

Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom Bible Study Thursday at 7 p.m., Jubilee Hall.

Heartache to Healing - Grief Support Group at St. Michael Parish, Waterloo - Grief support provides companionship on the long journey through the grief process. Our support group follows the process developed by Dr. Bill Webster, an experienced leader in grief counselling. All who have suffered a loss are welcome, regardless of how much time has passed since your loss. **A monthly informal drop-in support** is available at St. Michael Parish on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7pm in the Parish Resource Centre/Library.





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St. Paul's Anglican Church Sunday, December 1 - 7:00 PM.

Come out and enjoy this beautiful service, amid the traditional Christmas decorations of St. Paul's.

"THE EARTH IS THE LORD'S AND ALL THAT IS IN IT."

Psalm 2:1-1

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