

Liturgy for the First Week of Advent

Date	Day	* / +	Mass Intention (+ Deceased or * Intention)	Requested by	Clergy Hamilton Diocese
28-Nov-22	Mon	*	Pastor's Intentions	N/APPL	Rev. Sam Restivo, C.R.
29-Nov-22	Tue	*	Adrienne & Pero Luksic	Mairead & Joe Keely	Rev. Brendan McGrath
30-Nov-22	Wed	*	Minda Poole	Herself	Fraternity of the Poor of Jesus Christ
1-Dec-22	Thu	*	Secular Franciscans	Peter & Betty Gauthier	Most Rev. Wayne Lobsinger, V.G., E.V
2-Dec-22	Fri	+	John MacLeod	Rosalie & Ron Scarlett	Rev. Romelito Guillen
3-Dec-22	Sat	*	People of the Parish		Rev. Grayson Hope
Sunday	9am -	+	Allan O'Brien	Rosalie & Ron Scarlett	Second Sunday of Advent
4-Dec-22	11am	*	Marie Enright	Gerard & Deirdre Walsh	

Canadian Food for Children is a registered charity with the Canadian government. Our goal is to feed the poor. All donations collected go towards feeding the poorest of the poor in developing countries throughout the world. Each dollar that you donate can provide 20 nutritious meals. Donate at [Canada Helps](#).

St. Joseph Little Store
Visit our Little Store at St. Joseph Church: Advent wreaths, Nativity sets, religious puzzles, rosaries, books and more. Open Tue-Fri 10-3, and before and after weekend Masses.

SSVP Dec 3/4 Weekend Giving!
The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is still collecting cans of Hot Chocolate, warm socks of all kinds and face cloths for the Christmas Hampers. Please return the gift cards from the Angel Tree by December 4th. Thanks for your generosity!



CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR SCHEDULE 2022 / 2023

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Solemnity)

Thursday, December 8th St. Patrick 9:30 a.m.
Mass followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,
Liturgy of the Hours and Adoration until 12 noon.

Sacrament of Penance – Confession

Saturday, December 10th St. Joseph 2:00 – 4:30 p.m.

Our Lady of Guadalupe – Patroness of the Americas (Feast)

Monday, December 12th St. Joseph 7:00 p.m.

The Nativity of the Lord - Christmas

Saturday, December 24th St. Joseph 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 24th St. Patrick 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 24th St. Joseph Midnight

Sunday, December 25th St. Joseph 11:00 a.m.

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph (Feast)

Friday, December 30th St. Joseph 9:30 a.m.

New Year - Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Saturday, December 31st St. Joseph 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 1st St. Patrick 9:00 a.m.

Sunday, January 1st St. Joseph 11:00 a.m.

Prepare to Live a Different Christmas,

Let the Hope Grow!

St. Joseph Church

Location: 920 Wellington St.
Port Elgin, ON



Masses:

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:

Sunday, 9 a.m.

Thursday, 9:30 a.m.

Confessions:

Thursday, 10:00 – 10:30 a.m.

Parish Office Hours :

Tuesday to Friday
10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

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November 27th, 2022 - First Sunday of Advent



Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Francisco J. Sordo

Administrator: Rosalie Scarlett

Secretary/Receptionist: Gloria Villamil

Welcome and Registration:

If you are new in the area, we welcome you to worship with us.

Please find the registration form [on our website](#).

Church Collections

This week's contributions were \$1752.25.

Thank you to all who have continued to support our parish with your gifts.

SSVP Hot Line: **519-832-2207**

Sacraments:

Confessions: Thursdays, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. at St. Patrick Church

Baptism: Contact the parish office for registration and information.

First Communion: Registration for 2023 is now open.

Confirmation: Registration for 2023 is now open.

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.

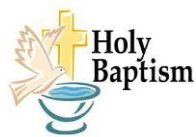
Baptisms, Marriage & Funerals can also be celebrated in Spanish.

Baptism.- – Entering into the Body of Christ!

St. Joseph Parish is pleased to welcome a new Catholic:

Victoria Marie Balogh

daughter of Robert and Nadine Balogh, who will be baptized this Sunday, November 27th, at St. Joseph Church. We offer our congratulations to her family and friends.



The Catholic Women's League of Canada calls its members to grow in faith, and to witness to the love of God through ministry and service.

Membership drive is now on for new and renewals. \$40/year.

Christmas Dinner will be held on Thursday, December 8, 2022 – 5 pm @ Jubilee Hall. All ladies are welcome. \$42 each. Cash, cheque or e-transfer h-112@cwllhamilton.ca



Children's Liturgy of the Word is back!

Sundays during the 11 a.m. Mass children ages 4 to 9 are welcome!

Struggling After an Abortion? Your own, or someone else's? Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? Project Rachel is available to help – you can heal from the pain. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, to find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850. Your call is important to us.

Pope's Prayer Intentions

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

As we enter into Advent, we watch for and eagerly await

the dawn that breaks over the horizon.

The promise of Advent is the promise of a candle in a dark room – of the dawn breaking over the horizon. It is the promise that the darkness cannot stand in the presence of the light. In this holy season, we must be watchers, searching for Christ's light, eagerly awaiting the dawn. Are we awake? Are we prepared?

Father Thomas J Clancy – Knights of Columbus Council 6736 is running the "Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest.

The Contest is open to youth ages 5 to 14 (as of November 1st, 2022). There are three categories 5-7, 8-10 and 11-14, with cash prizes for each age group. Posters must reflect the theme of Keep Christ in Christmas. Each poster should be the original work (including concept, layout, slogan and any visual images) of a single person. Posters should be approximately 11x7 inches (no larger). If pastels, chalk or charcoal are used, the poster must be laminated or covered in clear plastic. Each poster must be accompanied by an entry form available through the Parish Office or email Mark Lukas – lukas@bmts.com for a form or any questions.

Deadline for submissions is Monday, December 12th, 2022 to be dropped off at the Parish Office to be picked up for judging. The Knights of Columbus appreciate your support in this endeavour. Thank you!

Choir Members needed at all Masses!

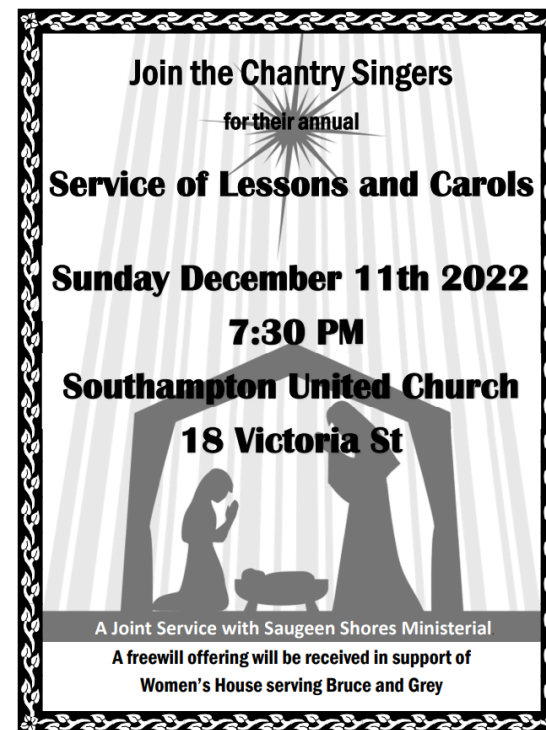
When we sing we pray twice. Come and join in the Lord's jubilation. No experience necessary!



All are invited to bring your Baby Jesus figurines from your homes to Mass on Sunday, December 11 all the weekend Masses to be blessed as we celebrate Bambinelli Sunday. After the blessing you are encouraged to take your 'Bambinelli' home and place it in a gift box, wrap the box and save it for Christmas. Let this be the first gift you open on Christmas day and as you lay Jesus in the Manger. Allow this moment to be a reminder of the great blessings we receive at Christmas.

Hospitality Sunday

Join us for refreshments and fellowship after the 11 am Mass at Jubilee Hall, this weekend. Your hosts: Society of St. Vincent de Paul.



Join the Chantry Singers
for their annual
Service of Lessons and Carols
Sunday December 11th 2022
7:30 PM
Southampton United Church
18 Victoria St
A Joint Service with Saugeen Shores Ministerial
A freewill offering will be received in support of
Women's House serving Bruce and Grey

Liturgy – Season of Advent

Advent has a twofold nature: It prepares us for Christmas, when we recall Christ's first coming among us, and it is also a time when we look forward to his second coming at the end of the ages. Advent is a season of joyful expectation.

Colour: Violet

Advent wreath: The wreath as a whole is meant to remind us of both the immortality of our souls and God's promise of everlasting life to us through Christ. The candles also have their own special significance. The four candles represent the four weeks of Advent, and one candle is lit each Sunday. Three of the candles are purple because the color violet is a liturgical color that signifies a time of prayer, penance, and sacrifice.

Penance celebration: This is a great opportunity to demonstrate our community's desire to welcome the Lord with purified hearts. Fr. Francisco is offering this special time for confessions: Saturday, December 10, from 2-4:30 p.m.

This week:

Wed. Nov. 30th – St. Andrew, Apostle (*Feast*)
Sat. Dec. 3rd – St. Francis Xavier, Priest (*Memorial*)

Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre (437

Wilson St. E, Ancaster ON) is hosting an Open House and Christmas Market on December 10th from 10:00 am-4:00pm. Guests are welcome to tour the grounds and buildings, enjoy some seasonal refreshments and do some Christmas shopping. Admission is free, and all are welcome! For more information please visit:

www.mountmary.ca



The Catholic school teacher asks, "Now, Little Johnny, tell me honestly, do you say prayers before eating?" "No Sir," Little Johnny replies, "I don't have to. My Mom is a good cook."

