

## Liturgy for the Third Week of Advent

Date	Day	* / +	Mass Intention (+ Deceased or * Intention)	Requested by	Clergy Hamilton Diocese
12-Dec-22	Mon	*	Pastor's Intentions		Rev. Michael Anderson
13-Dec-22	Tue	+	Thomas Lincoln	Lorie Horbatiuk & Pat O'Connor	Rev. Robert Love
14-Dec-22	Wed	*	John Vallieres & Family	The Vallieres Family	Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (C.Ss.R.)
15-Dec-22	Thu	+	Allan O'Brien	Jennifer Dixon	Rev. Robert Kavelj, O.F.M.
16-Dec-22	Fri	*	Mairead Keely	Jerry & Gaetane Orsztynowicz	Rev. Marko Puljic, O.F.M.
17-Dec-22	Sat	+	Allan O'Brien	Elizabeth & Ross Reid	Rev. Ilija Petkovic
Sunday 18-Dec-22	9am - 11am	* *	John & Frances Vallieres People of the Parish	Mairead & Joe Keely N/APPL	<b>Fourth Sunday of Advent</b>

**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](http://CanadaHelps.com).

### Advent Taizé Service

Sunday December 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m.  
St. Paul's Anglican Church Southampton.

**The Christmas Spirit.** Our gratitude goes to **Daniel and Anita W.**, who decorated and installed the outside decorations at St. Patrick and St. Joseph churches. To **Harry O. Jack K. and Jerry O.** for ongoing basic maintenance. To **Harry O. and Wayne C.** for the lights installed outside St. Joseph Church. To all the **liturgical ministries, lector, ushers, ministers, altar servers, and musicians** who enhance celebration Mass.



## CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR SCHEDULE 2022 / 2023

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

Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup> St. Joseph 7:00 p.m.

### The Nativity of the Lord - Christmas

Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup> St. Joseph 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup> St. Patrick 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 25<sup>th</sup> St. Joseph Midnight

Sunday, December 25<sup>th</sup> St. Joseph 11:00 a.m.

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

Friday, December 30<sup>th</sup> St. Joseph 9:30 a.m.

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

Saturday, December 31<sup>st</sup> St. Joseph 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 1<sup>st</sup> St. Patrick 9:00 a.m.

Sunday, January 1<sup>st</sup> St. Joseph 11:00 a.m.

## St. Joseph Church

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



### Masses:

Saturday, 5 p.m.  
Sunday, 11 a.m.  
Monday, 7 p.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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Visit our Facebook page [facebook.com/St-Josephs Parish](https://facebook.com/St-Josephs-Parish)

December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 - Third Sunday of Advent



### Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Francisco J. Sordo  
Administrator: Rosalie Scarlett  
Secretary: 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 \$3143.41. Diocesan \$70.  
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.**

**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. \$40/year.

All ladies of the parish are welcome.

Cash, cheque or e-transfer [h-112@cwlhamilton.ca](mailto:h-112@cwlhamilton.ca)

### **Pray for Vocations**

Pray for the 15 Seminarians in the Diocese of Hamilton and candidates for the Diaconate and the Religious Life. Please pick up their cards at the back of the church.

### **What is it that Franciscans do?**

Instead of season's greetings, happy holidays, or here comes Santa Claus, use the traditional greeting for the approach of the birth of the child Jesus our Saviour. Franciscans worldwide hope to spread the beautiful words:

**"This, this is CHRIST the KING. "**

No war, no hatred, no retaliation just love of an innocent Baby who gave up his life to save the human race.

### **Christmas Spirit: In Praise and Gratitude**



Wine, cheese and other goodies

Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>

Following the 11 a.m. Mass

Jubilee Hall

Everyone is welcome!

**Maranatha - The Lord is coming!**

### **Pray for eyes to see as God wants us to see!**

Elijah was prophesied to return before Jesus' coming, but the leaders of the day did not recognize John the Baptist's role as preparing the way of the Lord. Though Sirach says blessed is he who shall have seen you, many closed their eyes and refused to see John the Baptist as a prophet. Pray the Lord opens our eyes to his messengers.



**Children's Liturgy of the Word**  
is back!

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

**Our Lady of Guadalupe**  
Patroness of the Americas



**A Special Mass will be held on the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Monday, December 12 @ 7 p.m. @ St. Joseph Church**

For nearly 600 years, the appearance of the Virgin Mary to St. Juan Diego in Mexico has captivated countless hearts and minds worldwide. With bowed head, brown skin, and wearing a blue-green robe studded with stars, Our Lady of Guadalupe is instantly recognizable and one of the most iconic images associated with Catholicism. Despite the widespread fame of this Marian apparition, its origins are quite humble and deeply connected to the identity of indigenous people in Mexico and beyond. The story begins in 1531 in Mexico City, a New World metropolis recently conquered by the Spanish. Reading the full story [here](#).

**Marriage Tip Of The Month** - As we move toward the end of the year, take some time as a couple to reflect on your last twelve months together. Ask yourselves what you did well and what you might do better, both for each other and for your marriage. Check in to see if you spent enough time together, if you are remembered to compliment each other, showed gratitude for the gifts your spouse brings to your life and whether you felt joy more often than not. If your relationship needs strengthening, commit to finding the help you need to make it strong; if you feel good after your assessment, celebrate your love and thank God for his never-ending support. From: Family Ministry Office.

**Restart: Refresh, Renew Revive** – A gathering for separated and divorced individuals offering learning, support and fun! These get-togethers offer continual support and insights for people on their journey through the divorce/separation process and beyond. Held the 2nd & 3rd Fridays of each month, you can join in-person (700 King St. West, Hamilton), or by ZOOM. No registration required. For ZOOM link contact Sarah at [familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com), or 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

**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.

### **Liturgy – This week:**

Mon. Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> – Our Lady of Guadalupe (*Ferial*)  
Tues. Dec. 13<sup>rd</sup> – St. Lucy (*Memorial*)  
Wed. Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> – St. John of the Cross (*Memorial*)

### **COME HOME for Christmas**

We know that at Christmas our hearts will be full – we want our pews to be full also! Throughout Advent, Parishes across the Diocese are being encouraged to invite all the faithful to Come Home for Christmas. We all know people who have fallen away from regular Mass attendance, and Christmas provides a privileged occasion to welcome them home. All parishioners are encouraged to join in this effort to extend a warm invitation to return. More information, at <http://hamiltondiocese.com>



### **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. Religious articles are also available in the sacristy at St. Patrick Church.

### **Choir Members needed at all Masses!**



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

