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St. Joseph Church

Location: 920 Wellington St.,
Port Elgin, ON



St. Patrick Church

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

June 26th, 2022 – Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Staff

Pastor: Rev. Fr. Christopher Tracey
Administrator: Rosalie Scarlett
Secretary/Receptionist: Gloria Villamil

Parish Office Hours:

Tuesday to Friday 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday – 5:00 PM
Sunday – 9:00 AM at St. Patrick Church
11:00 AM at St. Joseph Church

WEEKDAY MASS:

Weekday Masses are canceled this week due to Priests moving.

Mass Intentions Week 13th in Ordinary Time

Date	Day	* / +	Mass Intention (+ Deceased or * Intention)	Clergy Hamilton Diocese
27-Jun-22	Mon	*	Pastor's Intentions	Rev. Scott Whitfield
28-Jun-22	Tue	+	Frank Biener	Most. Rev. Douglas Crosby, O.M.I.
29-Jun-22	Wed		No Mass Scheduled - Priests moving	Holy Ghost Congregation (Spiritans) (C.S.Sp.)
30-Jun-22	Thu	+	No Mass Scheduled	Rev. David Lewis
1-Jul-22	Fri	+	No Mass Scheduled - Canada Day	Rev. Ron Cote
2-Jul-22	Sat	*	Secular Franciscans	Most Rev. Matthew Ustrzycki
3-Jul-22	9am - 11am	*	People of the Parish	Fourteen Sunday in Ordinary Time
		+	Helen & John Shulhan	

Church Collections

This week's contributions were \$5179.00 from PAR, and \$40 through CanadaHelps
Thank you for your generosity!

Sacraments

Baptism:	Contact the parish office for information and registration.
Marriage:	Contact the parish office for an appointment one year in advance of date.
First Communion:	Next First Communions will be celebrated in 2023
Confirmation:	For students in Grades 7 & 8, Confirmations will be celebrated in 2023
R.C.I.A.:	Adults and children in Grade 3 and up.
Care of the Sick	To arrange pastoral visits to the sick in hospital or at home, please call the parish office.

Saint Vincent de Paul is collecting shampoo, bar soap, toilet paper, and dishwashing soap.

Hot Line: 519-832-2207

Contribute regular monthly donations to SSVP by PreAuthorized Remittance (PAR). Register at the parish office.

Happy Birthday Canada!



Canadians should seek to be witnesses to Christ in Canada and the world, and to continue working to influence those in government to act from Christian principles and attitudes. Christians, realizing they do not have a lasting home here, should pray and work for justice and peace in Canada and throughout the world, so that all God's people may share in the goods of this earth. God's Kingdom will come only when all people are ready to let Christ's teaching guide and rule their lives and actions.

Sacristans Needed for St. Joseph Church



Join a team of volunteers who assist the priest by setting up the sacristy and altar with the necessary items for the celebration of Mass. If interested, please call the Parish Office.

Vincentian Meditation

Jesus, on his way up to Jerusalem, sent "messengers on ahead of Him." If we are to be faithful messengers of Jesus Christ, we must have grasped well the message of God. The message of Christ is caught rather than taught. Our Lord always manifested the gentleness and humility that we his followers must try at all times to show. One cannot give a message to another person unless one knows clearly what the message is. So, too, with us who are messengers of God we must be familiar with and know well what it is God wants to say through us.

(McCullen, Deep Down Things, p. 488)

How have we become better "messengers" of God?

Taken from SSVF Ontario Member Site

Faith Programs: To participate, please request a ZOOM invitation link from tcarolan06@gmail.com:

- **Faith Sharing:** This program will return in September.

- **Rosary:** Tuesdays at 7:00 PM. It will run throughout the summer.

Next Wednesday (June 29th) is moving day for Priests who have been appointed to new pastoral responsibilities in the Diocese. Parishioners are well-advised to "stay off the roads on Wednesday"! Please pray for your Priests – outgoing and incoming!

Father Chris – Words of Farewell

Dear friends,

Parting from a community of beautiful people you have come to love and care for is never 'sweet' sorrow, but 'truly sorrowful'. Moves are almost always unexpected and can be difficult to accept for both priest and parishioners. But, if we have faith and trust that God is always at work in us and for us, then we can also trust God is always at work in our Bishop as well, Douglas Crosby, a man who bears great weight and responsibility for his flock, who tries his best to hear God's words and administer them for the care, growth, and protection of his diocese.

With the sudden demands of the pandemic, it was clear my agenda was God's, not mine. It was one solid goal: to ensure parishioners of Saint Joseph Parish were safe and well and inspired to maintain their hope and trust in a God who loves them.

As I make my way to new challenges and opportunities, I hope you will welcome your new pastor, Fr Francisco Sordo, with the same great warmth and kindness as you received me. I now pass on to him this mantle of great love and affection and concern which I will always have for all of you in my thoughts and prayers.

May God Bless you with the Peace, Love and Joy of his Son, Jesus Christ.

Sincerely, Father Chris.

The Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute publishes an informative newsletter almost every week, chalk full of timely stories, helpful advice, and encouraging activities, all related to Catholic ethical reflection on life issues. You can access the newsletter [here](#) or register [here](#) to have it sent directly to your email address. Be well-informed!

Protect and promote Catholic Education:

Did you know that you have to register to vote as a Catholic separate school supporter for the upcoming 2022 Municipal Election and School Board Election on Monday, October 24? Visit voterlookup.ca, to register and get more information

Canadian Food for Children - As always, we are grateful for your monetary donation. You can mail cheques to: Canadian Food for Children, 1258 Lakeshore Rd. E., Mississauga, ON L5E 1E9 or donate on line via CanadaHelps. Or use a collection box at the entrance of the church.

CWL Commemorative Bench

The Diocesan Council of the Catholic Women's League of Canada are marking the *One Hundredth Anniversary of the Founding of the League in Canada – and in Hamilton!*



With the permission of Fr. Chris and the Pastoral Council, CWL in Saugeen Shores has placed a Bench under the trees on the parking lot

side, by the office entrance way. Congratulations to all League members!

Prayer for Vocations

Jesus still speaks the invitation "Follow Me." Pray for the strength and the grace of discernment if you feel He is calling you to be an ordained or consecrated person. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton (905-528-7988).

vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Thank You! Fr. Chris

Let us express our gratitude to Rev. Fr. Christopher Tracey, at the end of his ministry as Pastor at St. Joseph Parish. Fr. Chris' homilies will be missed by many; they often included good books or movies worth reading or watching. Through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Fr. Chris showed the wisdom, mercy and compassion of the Lord towards his flock. Fr. Chris was here only a few months before the pandemic hit, requiring him to adapt to new protocols while continuing to keep the parish operating in a modified way. With the support of the teachers from St. Joseph Elementary School, and his little friend Bilbo, Fr. Chris engaged the students in a virtual preparation for the celebration of the Sacraments. In his administration, he upgraded the projector in Jubilee Hall, as well as the sound system inside St. Joseph Church. Fr. Chris was able to celebrate and offer the Holy Mass using the new streaming camera, reaching parishioners and a community beyond. We send him with our best wishes and prayers for his future endeavours.

Join us at Jubilee Hall after the 11 a.m. Mass.

Liturgy this week:

June 28 – St. Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr

June 29 – Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles – Solemnity

July 1st. Canada Day

Do not click on any links from unsolicited emails

A reminder to **stop before you click!** Do not open any suspicious attachments and do not enter your ;email-password combination on unknown sites. If in doubt, it is better to pick up the phone and contact the sender. If making donations, make sure you are on the organization's secure website before sharing your financial information!

World Youth Day – Lisbon

July 28 – August 7, 2023

“Young adults from all around the world will gather to celebrate “youth” and “faith”. WYD is a beautiful opportunity to reinvigorate youth and young adult ministries...” (Read more in the [letter of invitation](#) from Bishop Crosby).

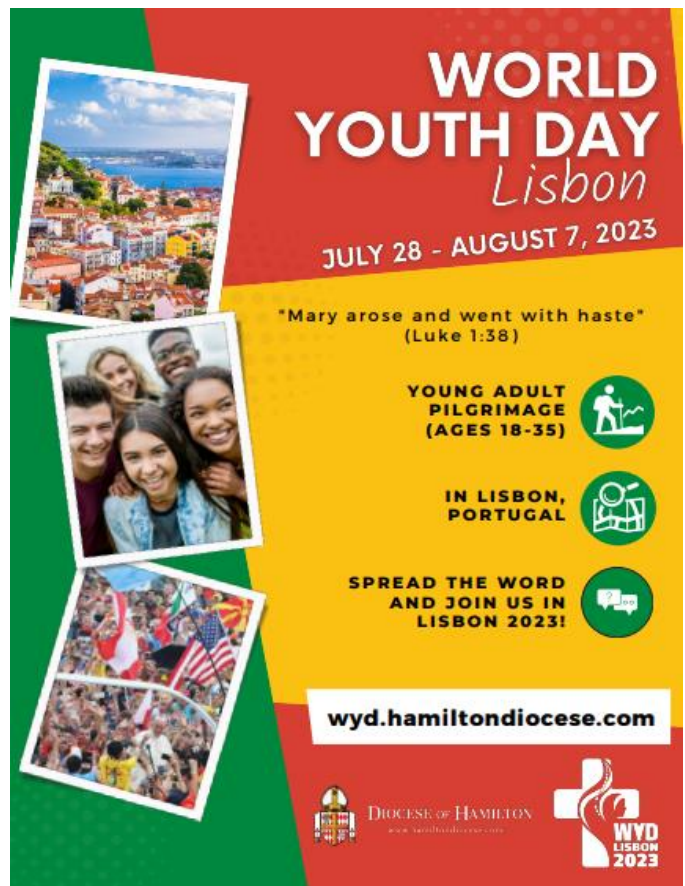
An information evening to provide further details will take place on Wednesday, July 6, 2022 at 7 pm, at St. Andrew Parish, 47 Reynolds St, Oakville, ON, L6J 3J9 in the Parish Hall. This event is being held in person and virtually by zoom for those unable to make it to Oakville. Registration is required for either session by [clicking here](#) . The agenda for the evening will include itinerary details, costs, and a presentation by Tour Design the travel agent hosting the Hamilton Diocese event. You will also have an opportunity to meet with the WYD Lisbon 2023 Planning Team and Spiritual Advisors.

Franciscans' Little Corner -



The Franciscan motto is the Latin *pax at bonum* which translates to “peace and all good.” It emphasizes that we are all brothers and sisters and that God is generous and loving. “When it comes to helping your brothers and sisters start with what is necessary; then do what is possible; then suddenly you are doing the impossible.”

The Annual Novena to St. Ann (July 18th-26th) will be hosted again this year by St. Ann Parish, Hamilton. The nine days of prayer will invoke the intercession of St. Ann, the Mother of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Grandmother of Jesus Christ. Mass will be celebrated each evening of the Novena at 7:00 p.m., with the Novena prayers said before the relic. The homilies will be part of our “*Faith in Stained Glass*” series highlighting nine of the stained-glass windows that beautify the church and artistically teach the faith. You are invited to submit your prayer requests through the link on the parish [website](#). All are welcome.

A promotional poster for World Youth Day Lisbon 2023. The background is split into green, red, and yellow sections. On the left, there are three overlapping photos: a coastal town, a group of young adults, and a large crowd. On the right, the text reads: 'WORLD YOUTH DAY Lisbon JULY 28 - AUGUST 7, 2023'. Below this is a quote: '“Mary arose and went with haste” (Luke 1:38)'. Further down are three icons with text: 'YOUNG ADULT PILGRIMAGE (AGES 18-35)', 'IN LISBON, PORTUGAL', and 'SPREAD THE WORD AND JOIN US IN LISBON 2023!'. At the bottom, the website 'wyd.hamiltondiocese.com' is listed, along with the Diocese of Hamilton logo and the WYD Lisbon 2023 logo.

Health E-news - Cell Phone addiction. – According to a 2021 survey, nearly half of the adult responder’s stated they spent a daily average of five to six hours on their cellphones; 22 percent said they spent three to four hours a day on their cell phone’ and only five percent said they spent less than an hour a day on their cell phone. The most hard core users devote up to 12 hours daily on their cell phones. Breaking cell phone addiction.

- Remove time-consuming apps from your cell phone.
- Set your screen to gray or night scale to keep your cell phone from waking you up at night.
- Designate activities (driving, dinnertime, time with friends and family) in which your cell phone is prohibited.
- Replace your smartphone use with healthier activities. Have a plan for ways to spend your time such as exercising, reading a book, chatting with a friend in person.
- Consider cutting off cell phone use for a weekend.
- If none of these tips works, you may need to consider digital detox center or therapy.

You can follow <https://virtual-addiction.com/smartphone-compulsion-test/>

