

Liturgy for the Seventh Week in Ordinary Time

Date	Day	Time	Intention + Rest in Peace / * Intentions of	Requested by	Diocese
20-Feb-23	Mon		* Pastor's Intentions	N/APPL	Rev. James Link, C.R.
21-Feb-23	Tue	7pm	+ Benno Spitzer	Ron & Rosalie Scarlett	Rev. David Mowat, C.R.
22-Feb-23	Wed	9:30am	+ Joshua George	Ron & Rosalie Scarlett	Ash Wednesday
			+ Ernesto Lopez	Sr. John Marie M.C.	
			+ Yvonne Keenan	Brenda Murray	
7pm	* Forgotten souls in Purgatory	Gerard & Deirdre Walsh			
23-Feb-23	Thu	9:30am	+ Steven Fortney	Eileen Fortney	Rev. Harry Reitzel, C.R.
24-Feb-23	Fri	9:30am	* Holy Souls in Purgatory	Eileen Fortney	Rev. Raymond Reitzel, C.R.
25-Feb-23	Sat	5pm	+ Gil & Diane Kelly	Jerry & Gaetane Orszynowicz	Rev. Florian Stasinski, C.R.
26-Feb-23	Sun	9am	* People of the Parish	N/APPL	First Sunday of Lent
		11am	+ Maurice Charette	Fern & Lucie Desbiens	

Charities & Parish Groups

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](#).

Society of St. Vincent de Paul - You can now contribute regular monthly donations to St. Vincent de Paul by PreAuthorized Remittance (PAR). Contact the parish office, to register. Thank you for your generosity in helping feed our local people in their time of need. This week SSVP is collection spaghetti sauce and noodles, and cereal.

#WhatsYourCWL - CHANGE Are you ready to transform your spiritual life, serve others and act on social justice issues? This change is possible when you join the Catholic Women's League. It has all these values at the heart of its mission.

Secular Franciscans Corner. What is it that Franciscans do? We stand with the poor: We not only serve, but we work to make their lives better.

Knights of Columbus - Council 6736 invites all Catholic gentlemen to join our Council. For more information with regards to the benefits of becoming a member, contact Mark Lukas at lukas@bmts.com.



Children's Liturgy of the Word
Sundays during the 11 a.m. Mass
All children ages 4 to 9 are welcome!

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.
Ash Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Thursday, 9:30 a.m.
Confessions:
Thursday, 10-10:30 a.m.

Parish Office Hours :

Tuesday to Friday
10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Seventh Sunday in



February 19th, 2023

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

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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 \$2600.50. Diocesan \$200.
Thank you to all who have continued to support our parish with your gifts.
Tax receipts for 2022 have already been emailed or put in the post.

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: will take place on Saturday **April 22, 2023**.
Confirmation: will take place on Saturday **April 29, 2023**.
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

Living a life of faith means acting with love and mercy.

The call to spiritual perfection or holiness dominates our readings today. We are called to be perfect as the heavenly Father is perfect, and to demonstrate that holiness in the way we treat one another and in our knowledge that we are temples of God's Holy Spirit.

Sacramental Preparation:

Confirmation

Keep in your prayers the young people who are preparing to be confirmed in faith. May God open their hearts to his love.
Sun, February 26 - Commitment Ceremony

Reconciliation and First Communion

Pray for the candidates who will receive Jesus in Holy Communion this coming Easter.
Third session will be on February 24.

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

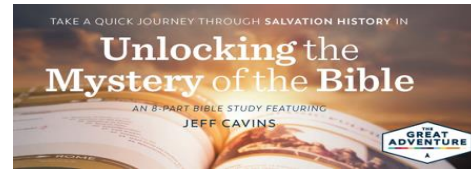
R.C.I.A. Lessons are held on Saturdays at 10 a.m. in the downstairs hall.

The Stations of the Cross Shadow Play



St. Joseph School

Performed by the intermediate students
Directed by Lucie Desbiens.
Thursday, March 23 – 7pm
Friday March 24 – 2pm
Come and be with Jesus on this journey!



Dates - Times - Location

8 sessions
Thursday 7:00 - 8:30 PM
April 20, 27
May 4, 11, 18, 25
Jun 1, 8

St. Joseph's Parish - Jubilee Hall

Cost - Registration

\$ 40 CAD, at registration. Includes:
Workbook, Chart "Story of Salvation",
Bookmark & Internet Access AP

Winter Weather – In the event of severe winter weather conditions, we advise parishioners to avoid dangerous driving. However, the priest will celebrate Mass even if it is on his own. Doors will still be opened for those who are able to make it safely. Do not be obliged to come just because the Mass/priest will celebrate.

**Saugeen Shores Ministerial Lenten Lunch
Wednesdays, March 1st through 29th**

"Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest".

Matthew 11: 28

The service begins at 12 noon followed by a soup and sandwich lunch. A donation of \$5.00 would be greatly appreciated. All services will be held at Port Elgin Missionary Church, 650 Green Street, Port Elgin, ON. All are welcome!

Liturgy this week:

Wed. Feb. 22 - Ash Wednesday



Season of Lent

Lent has a dual purpose:

- It prepares for Baptism, and
- It emphasizes a spirit of penance

Ash Wednesday is a solemn reminder of human mortality and the need for reconciliation with God, and marks the beginning of the penitential Lenten season. Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting* and abstinence** from meat.

Fridays are days of abstinence from meat**, but Catholics may substitute special acts of charity or piety on this day.

Lent is the yearly time by the Church to prepare for the celebration of our Lord Jesus' death and resurrection. Lent has a penitential character; it involves prayer, works of piety and charity, and self-denial by observing fast and abstinence.

* Christian fasting obtains its full meaning when we deprive ourselves of food in order to be more open to prayer, and to save money to give to the poor. The law of fasting binds those from 18 to 59 years of age.

* Abstinence from meat is meant to honour Christ who sacrificed his flesh on a Friday. The law of abstinence binds those who are 14 years of age and older.

Liturgy during Lent: The colour is purple, and it symbolizes repentance as well as the royalty of Christ as King of all Kings.

"Alleluia" and "Glory to God" are omitted. No flowers are not permitted in the altar. The Mass readings have been chosen in relation to the themes of Baptism and its renewal and of penance.

Stations of the Cross: Fridays in Lent - 7pm

February 24 @ St. Joseph Church
March 3 @ St. Patrick Church
March 10 @ St. Joseph Church
March 17 @ St. Patrick Church
March 24 @ St. Joseph Church
March 31 @ St. Patrick Church
Good Friday April 7 @ St. Patrick Church

Sacrament of Penance

During Lent, Penance celebrations are planned for children in Grade 2 preparing for their Sacrament of First Reconciliation. Catechumens of the R.C.I.A. will be preparing with the scrutinies, and penitential rites. Preparing for the Sacrament of Penance signifies a return of the faithful toward God and one another in the love and pardon of the Lord Jesus. All the faithful community is encouraged to go to the Sacrament of Penance, or Reconciliation, or Confession often. Take time to look inside your heart, and to reconcile with God and others. Opportunities for confession will continue on Saturdays at 4 pm at St. Joseph Church, and Thursdays at 10 am at St. Patrick.

Lenten Movie Nights

Join us on Wednesdays at 7 pm – Jubilee Hall
March 8 – The Greatest Miracle
March 15 – The War Room
March 22 – The Potter

**Let the serenity of your spirit
shine through your face.**

Let the joy of your mind burst forth.

**Let words of thanks
break from your lips**

St. Peter Damian

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