



SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

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St. Patrick Church

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

St. Joseph Church

Location: 920 Wellington St.,
Port Elgin, ON

January 30th, 2022 – Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

* Covid-19 Update **

No changes in religious services, but if you feel sick, please stay home.

Mass Registration opens Wednesdays at 8am on our Website Homepage at: www.stjospar.com

Two masses will be celebrated live in-person: Saturday – 5pm / Sunday – 9am

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

* During Pandemic, only priest and lector visible in recorded Mass.

WEEKDAY MASS:

Wednesdays – 9:30 AM –

* During Pandemic, other Weekday Masses celebrated in private by Pastor.

Mass Intentions 4th Week in Ordinary Time

Request by Email at stjosephportelgin@hamiltondiocese.com, regular mail, phone 519-832-2202, Sunday collection or rectory letter box. Please provide your name, name(s) for Intentions (identify living or deceased), and if a Mass card is required. Please enclose cash or cheque in an envelope. Cost is \$10 per intention.

[Date: + Deceased or * Intention / Clergy, Hamilton Diocese]

31-Jan-22	Mon	*	Pastor's Intentions	Rev. Duy Van Nguyen
1-Feb-22	Tue	+	John Kischuck	Rev. John Van Hees
2-Feb-22	Wed	+	Germaine Roy	Hospitaller Order of St. John of God (O.H.)
3-Feb-22	Thu	+	Mary-Adele O'Gorman/Schmalz	Rev. Hayden Starczala
4-Feb-22	Fri	+	Jim O'Hanlon	Very Rev. James Petrie, E.V.
5-Feb-22	Sat	+	Deceased of Saunders, O'Donnell & Murray Family	Rev. Gerald Mulhall
5 Sunday in O.T.				
6-Feb-22	Sun	*	Parish & Pandemic Front-Line Workers	

Church Collections During the COVID-19 Crisis

If you cannot attend one of the Masses, you can mail or drop off your envelope contribution to the parish office. You can also sign up for Pre Authorized Remittance (PAR) by completing the form on the website and submitting it to the parish office. This will be a regular monthly donation, by credit card or directly from your bank account. One-time or occasional donations can be made using the CanadaHelps button on the website. This week's contributions were \$853 from envelopes and \$40 through CanadaHelps.

TAX RECEIPTS for 2022 have been emailed to the addresses we have on file. If you have not received yours, please email or phone the office. Receipts were sent by Canada Post to those for whom we do not have an email address; they should be received by this coming week. Contributions made through CanadaHelps should have received a receipt from them, and donations made to the OneHeartOneSoul campaign, will receive a receipt from the Diocese.

2022 Offertory Envelopes are mailed quarterly. Please let the office know if you would like to start or stop receiving them.

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

Please contact the Parish Office for the following:	
Baptism:	information and registration.
Marriage:	an appointment 1 year in advance of date.
First Communion:	to be celebrated in 2022
Confirmation:	for students in Grades 7 & 8, to 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.

Catholic Organizations:	
Catholic Women's League (CWL)	Lucie Desbiens Cell 519-706-0442
Knights of Columbus	Harry Orsztynowicz 519-832-9280
SJTW Secular Franciscans	Brenda Murray 519-832-6185
Society of St. Vincent de Paul	Hot Line: 519-832-2207

Saint Vincent de Paul is collecting pancake mix, Aunt Jemima syrup, canned meat, and taco mix.

You can now contribute regular monthly donations to St. Vincent de Paul by PreAuthorized Remittance (PAR). Contact the parish office, to register.

SSVP continues to seek new members. If you would like more information about what being a member entails, please call Anna Kapshey at 226-338-9462, or Mairead Keely at 519-832-9979.

Bookkeeping Skills Required:

St. Joseph's Society of St. Vincent de Paul has served the poor in our community for many years. For the society to function as a charitable organization it requires, at minimum, a president, secretary and treasurer. Our current treasurer is retiring after serving in that role for ten years. Even with ongoing monetary donations, we are unable to carry on as a charitable society unless we have a treasurer. To that end, we are seeking anyone who can donate a few hours of their time each week by filling the role of treasurer in our group. If you are interested, please contact Anna Kapshey at 226-338-9462 or Mairead Keely at 519-832-9979. Serving the poor is a rewarding experience. We hope to hear from you.

Time Capsule!

The date to seal the time capsule was postponed to February. Gratitude to the parish groups: Knights of Columbus, CWL, Society of St. Vincent de Paul, and Secular Franciscans for their contribution. There is still space on the capsule, so if you have a last minute idea, please contact the office right away. There will be a display of the contents after Masses on February 5, 6 and 12, and a ceremony of its sealing on Sunday February 13.



Preparation for First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion on Sundays at 6 pm

Thank you for registering children in Grades 2 & 3. Our first 'virtual' preparation commenced on January 9, 2022.

The **6 Weekly Lessons** will help Catholic and Public School parents play a primary, invaluable role in their children's Faith formation and Sacrament preparation.

Celebration of First Reconciliation:
Sunday, January 30 @ 2-4pm

Mass Celebrations of First Communion will be on:
**Saturday, March 5 @ 11am and
Sunday, March 6 @ 2pm**

May the Holy Spirit guide the candidates and their parents/guardians and catechists who are accompanying them in this journey.

Sacrament of Reconciliation -Sacrament of Healing

In the preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, children are learning that God is love, and he is always ready to forgive. God knows the secrets of our hearts, but we need to recognize them aloud as part of the healing process, and remember that through this sacrament He provides our hearts with love and forgiveness.

Relationships with God and each other require awareness to our mission: to know, love and serve God and one another through care, respect, prayer and service. And often we fail to fulfill this mission (sin).

A priest forgives our sins in the name of Jesus Christ through the Church, and the community helps by example, by praying, by unity.

Liturgy this week

Mon. Jan. 31 – St. John Bosco, Priest

Wed. Feb. 2 – The Presentation of the Lord

Sat. Feb. 5 – St. Agatha, Virgin, Martyr

World Day for Consecrated Life – February 2

Instituted by St. Pope John Paul II in 1997, World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life is celebrated in conjunction with the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, which commemorates through the blessing and lighting of candles that Christ is the light of the world. So too, those in consecrated life are called to reflect the light of Jesus Christ to all peoples. The purpose of the day is “to help the entire Church to esteem ever more greatly the witness of those persons who have chosen to follow Christ by means of the practice of the evangelical counsels” as well as “to be a suitable occasion for consecrated person to renew their commitment and rekindle the fervour which should inspire their offering of themselves to the Lord” (St. John Paul II, 1997)

Parenting Tip of the Month - Parenting Tip 136. Our children are, in many ways, like sponges absorbing all we say and do. Even when we think they aren't watching or listening, they are often taking in our comments, actions and attitudes. In fact, our influence lasts their entire lives and impacts them throughout their lifetime. Equally important is what we don't say about something they are seeing or hearing or doing, since silence is considered consent. Parenting takes constant work, which is why it is considered a vitally important vocation. The rewards, however, of seeing your children grow into healthy, strong adults is worth the effort.

Youth ministry online learning – There are spaces open for new learners in the upcoming cycles of the Youth Ministry Certification program. If you are interested in participating in Vision for Catholic Youth Ministry – A Canadian Perspective or Relational Ministry with Youth - A Canadian Perspective, please email: nmccowell@hamiltondiocese.com

Vocations Seeds:

No prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. Do not be discouraged by jeers when considering priesthood, diaconate, or religious life. 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). Email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

Towards a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission

Pope Francis is asking each and every one of us to become involved in the Synodal process leading up to the Synod of Bishops to be held in Rome in 2023. The Pope tells us that the point of a Synodal Church - "is to listen, as the entire People of God, to what the Holy Spirit is saying to the Church."

Join Authors Moira McQueen and Massimo Faggioli

for a robust conversation on Synodality and how the faithful at all levels can participate in Pope Francis' call to solidarity and contribute to a rich reflection on a vibrant future for the Catholic Church! National Catholic Reporter correspondent Christopher White will serve as a moderator/interviewer for this conversation. Save the date and time: February 16, 2022, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Not to miss! [Register here](#) – no charge.

Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre is now open and accepting group and personal retreat bookings for 2022! With a large Chapel and acres of untouched green space Mount Mary is an ideal location for those seeking a retreat experience. Groups of all types are welcome for a day or for an overnight stay. For more information please visit: www.mountmary.ca

Palliative Care seeks to provide the best possible quality of life for people who have a serious or life-threatening illness or disease. The Diocese of Hamilton, understanding the challenges for both patient and family during a time of need, has prepared a page on the website to provide information meant to assist you navigate the various needs you or a loved one may have at this time. Visit [Palliative Care Information](#).

Retrouaille: A Lifeline for Troubled Marriages is a program designed to support struggling marriages. It can even be of assistance to couples who have separated but are willing to work on their relationship. COVID has challenged many couples, but this program is highly successful in helping couples to reconnect and move forward together. The next session is scheduled for March 11th - 13th and there are still spots available. For more information, visit [Retrouaille Program](#).

Canadian Food for Children is operating on reduced hours to ensure they can do the best for their volunteers while providing essential goods to those they serve. While donations are genuinely needed and welcomed, they ask you to consider whether your item is something a family in a developing country in need can use to survive and support their children.

They are very grateful for your monetary donations, which can be sent to: Canadian Food for Children, 1258 Lakeshore Rd. E., Mississauga, ON L5E 1E9.

You can donate on line via [CanadaHelps](https://www.canadahelps.org), and there is also a donation box at the back of the church.



I Care ∴ I Walk

In support of Spiritual Care right here at home

Purpose:

- ◆ Support the Grey Bruce Spiritual Care Council to continue to provide bedside care in the hospital, in hospice or at home (96 cents of every dollar goes to patient care)
- ◆ Increase awareness of Spiritual Care

Be a participant or create a team:

- ◆ Ask your Spiritual Care Provider for a sponsor sheet
- ◆ Set your challenge and ask people to sponsor you
- ◆ Call the Spiritual Care Office at 519-376-2121 Ext. 2889 for registration
- ◆ All donations must be received in the Spiritual Care Office by March 4, 2022

Be a donor:

- ◆ Every donation over \$20.00 receives a tax receipt (Charity #86143 9636 RR0001)
- ◆ E-transfer to: ehazen@gbhs.on.ca
- ◆ Cash, to your participant
- ◆ Cheques: Spiritual Care Dept. 1800—8th Street East, Owen Sound, N4K 6M9
- ◆ Donate online: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/grey-bruce-spiritual-care-council/> (donations of credit card amounts or shares are welcomed)



JOIN US
MAKE FEBRUARY YOUR MONTH TO GIVE BACK AND HAVE FUN!



Conversation Café Bereavement Support Group

Trained facilitators lead six (6) consecutive Tuesday evening sessions.

The purpose of the group is to provide:

- A place to meet others who have had a similar grief experience
- A safe, small, supportive community
- Information about loss and grief
- Opportunities to learn new ways of approaching living again
- A place to encounter new growth and balance after a death loss

Group Sessions Via Zoom:
Tuesday evenings
(6:30 – 8:00 p.m.)
February 22 and,
March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29,
2022

To learn more and to register contact:

Jan Temple-Jones at
jtemplejones@greybrucehospice.com
by February 15, 2022