

St. Joseph Church Location: 920 Wellington St., Port Elgin, ON

# SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

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<u>St. Patrick Church</u> <u>Location:</u> 36 Albert St. S. (Highway 21), Southampton, ON

# May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

#### 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:

Wednesday – 9:30 AM @ St. Joseph Church Other Weekday Masses are celebrated in private by Pastor.

## **Mass Intentions Fifth Week of Easter**

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

16-May-22	Mon	*	Pastor's Intentions	Rev. Melvin Pinto, O.C.D.
17-May-22	Tue	*	Marta, Viktoria Maksymov & Family	Rev. Mark Sullivan
18-May-22	Wed	+	Frank Biener	Seminarians
19-May-22	Thu	*	Bernadette Byrne-Cleary	Rev. Peter Tuyen Nguyen
20-May-22	Fri	+	Frances Drake	Rev. Stephen Gilvert
21-May-22	Sat	*	Brenda Murray	Very Rev. Lukasz Kopaniak, S.A.
Sunday	9am -	*	Parish & Pandemic Front-Line Workers	Cittle Coundary of Foster
22-May-22	11am	+	Brian Prevost	Sixth Sunday of Easter

#### **Church** Collections

This week's contributions were \$2557. Share Lent \$75. Needs of Holy Land \$20. Indigenous Reconciliation \$205. **Thank you to all who have continued to support our parish with your gifts!** 

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			

*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.

*The Prayer Line*. A dedicated group of parishioners prays for the intentions of those who need help. You can send an email request to <u>wdtv@bmts.com</u>. "We cannot underestimate the power of prayer and the difference it will make in our world." (Bl. Mother Teresa).

*Volunteer Needed to Maintain St. Patrick's Garden* - We are looking for an individual able to commit 1-2 hours a week to maintain the flower beds, weed and prune St. Patrick Church little garden. If you are interested, please contact the parish office.

*Indigenous Reconciliation Fund* – This collection will take place this weekend. Please see a letter from Bishop Crosby as well as Frequently Asked Questions in our website.

#### **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 <u>www.bgcdsb.org/voting/</u>, to get more information.

#### 2022 Baby Bottle Campaign

The Grey Bruce Pregnancy Centre is a support ministry for moms and families for unexpected pregnancies and for those who are in need through the early years. They are running the Baby Bottle Campaign from Mother's Day to Father's Day. It will be virtual again this year. You can participate by donating, through e-transfer

#### to gbpreg.finance@gmail.com;

CanadaHelps <u>Canadahelps.org</u> by credit card; or mail a cheque to 259 10th Street East, Owen Sound, N4K 1S4 Also, pray for the families, and consider volunteering on their Board of Directors or as a volunteer in the Centre.

Happy Victoria Day – May 22<sup>nd</sup> 9 am Mass at St. Patrick Church 11 am Mass at St. Joseph Church

#### Welcome to St. Joseph Parish

If you are a new parishioner who has moved into the area and wishes to join our faith community, please register yourself and your family using the registration form on our website at <u>www.stjospar.com</u>. If you move within or outside the parish, please let us know.

#### Welcome back Seasonal Parishioners!

*Prayer for Vocations:* The new commandment of love is required of everyone who follows the risen Lord. How do you fulfill the commandment? 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

### The Franciscans' Little Corner -



The story of St. Francis of Assisi begins in 1207. The son of a rich merchant Francis left his life of privilege where he could buy anything he wanted, and cut ties with his family to spread the word of God. One of his famous quotes "Do all you can to preach the gospel and if

necessary use words" shows his strong belief in good example. He began wearing a simple tunic, a Tau Cross and with a small group of brothers left to spread God's word.

#### Fides et Ratio

"Faith and reason are like two wings on which the human spirit rises to the contemplation of truth; and God has placed in the human heart a desire to know the truth—in a word, to know himself—so that, by knowing and loving God, men and women may also come to the fullness of truth about themselves".

(St. John Paul II – Encyclical Letter Fides et Ratio, 1998)

*Choice42* is a prolife group in Canada that encourages women to be fully educated about their options, and to realize that though it is their choice, they are making a choice for two. Make a choice! Choose life. Learn more going online at <u>choice42.com</u>

**Parenting Tip of the Month** - **Parenting Tip 140:** As the buds begin to sprout and the weather allows us to head outdoors more often, take some time to discuss the importance of God's created world with your children. Point out the connectedness of each of us to nature and our dependence on it to survive. Help them understand that every person is tasked with being a steward of God's world. Explain how we can each participate in caring for nature and remind them that when we each do our part, nature thrives and so do we. From: Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

#### *Marriage Tip of the Month* - Marriage Tip 120:

It is true to say that no two people think exactly alike and that is why being married can sometimes be challenging! What makes complete sense to one person may not make sense to the other; what one likes the other may not; what is funny to one, may be anything but to the other! It is important for married couples to constantly remind themselves that marriage does not mean you are the same. Allow room for differences and do not judge your spouse on your own likes and desires, but instead try to move together to a more neutral place that you can both live with. Moreover, sometimes, agree to disagree! Your spouse has many diverse qualities, embrace them when you can and work to negotiate when you cannot, so love will flourish and provide a strong foundation for all of it! From: Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

Wedding Anniversary Mass 2022 Registration - The Wedding Anniversary Mass, which would normally have been scheduled for June of 2022, will not occur this year due to the continued concerns around COVID-19. We invite you to register your 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years of marriage on the Diocesan website at https://hamiltondiocese.com/ and we will be happy to send you the certificate you would have received from Bishop Crosby at the Mass. The Wedding Anniversary Mass is listed on the home page under Upcoming Events.

#### Canadian Food for Children - Why Not Volunteer

*from Home?* If you are a student in need of volunteer hours and cannot make it to the warehouse, why not help CFFC remotely? Look for ideas on <u>CFFC</u> website. Your volunteer project can be as short or long as you determine. 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 <u>CanadaHelps.</u> Or use a collection box at the entrance of the church.

#### Do not click on any links from unsolicited emails

A reminder to **stop before you click**! Do not open any suspicions attachments and do not enter your emailpassword 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!

*There is Hope after an Abortion.* Project Rachel is a ministry of healing for any person suffering pain or problems from an abortion experience. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings and find hope and healing. Contact us at 905-526-1999 or 1888-385-3850

*Save your stamps*! The stamps affixed to mail you receive can be very useful. Members of Development and Peace, who are philatelists, sell them to stamp collectors. The proceeds will help fund development projects in Africa, Asia and Latin America. Drop your trimmed stamps into the collection box near the CFFC box at St. Joseph Church, or send them to the parish office.

#### John 13.31-35 - Love as I Have Loved You

What is "new" (v.34) in Jesus' commandment? Loving God and neighbour was a central teaching from the time of Moses. What's *new* is that Jesus specified how to love, and he also raised the bar: love one another *in the same way that I have loved you*. We need to look at Jesus' whole life to find a pattern and shape of what love looks like.

#### Love involves:

- caring for people, especially the outcasts of society, the poor, and the sick;

- serving the needs of others, humbly and unselfishly;
- forgiving others everything, even one's enemies;
- including everyone as our neighbour, as a child of God; and

- Being willing to sacrifice everything for God' kingdom.

#### How are you loving as Jesus loved?

(Taken from The Catholic Faith & Family Bible - Page 1339)