

St. Joseph Church

Location: 920 Wellington St.,
Port Elgin, ON



Masses:

Saturday, 5 pm
Sunday, 11 am
Tuesday, 7 pm
Wednesday, 9 am
Friday, 9 am

Confessions:

Saturday, 4:00 – 4:45 p.m.

St. Patrick Church

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



Masses:

Sunday, 9 a.m.
Thursday, 9 am

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

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Visit our Facebook page [facebook.com/St-Josephs Parish](https://facebook.com/St-Josephs-Parish)

St. Joseph Elementary School <https://stj.bgcdsb.org/>

Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Francisco J. Sordo
Administrator: Rosalie Scarlett
Secretary/Receptionist: Gloria Villamil

Parish Office Hours:

Tuesday to Friday 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

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](#).

Sacraments:

Confessions: Saturdays, 4:00 – 4:45 p.m. at St. Joseph Church

Baptism: Contact the parish office for registration and information.

First Communion: Registration for 2023 will start in the fall.

Confirmation: Registration for 2023 celebration will start in the fall.

R.C.I.A.: Adults and children Grade 3 and up contact the parish office.

Marriage: Contact the parish office one year in advance of date.

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.

Church Collections

This week's contributions were \$3091.60, and \$100 for Diocesan.
Thank you to all who have continued to support our parish with your gifts.

SSVP Hot Line: **519-832-2207**

September 4th, 2022 – Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Date	Day	* / +	Mass Intention (+ Deceased or * Intention)	Requested by	Clergy Hamilton Diocese
5-Sep-22	Mon	*	Pastor's Intentions	N/APPL	Rev. Marko Stefanec
6-Sep-22	Tue		No Mass scheduled		Rev. Joseph Akanbi
7-Sep-22	Wed		No Mass scheduled		Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate (S.O.L.I.)
8-Sep-22	Thu		No Mass scheduled		Rev. Charles Jordan
9-Sep-22	Fri	+	Kathleen & Greg Salmon	Elizabeth Reid	Rev. Lourdy Dorismond, O.M.I.
10-Sep-22	Sat	*	Mary Kischuck	Brenda Murray	Rev. Archange Kebe
Sunday	9am -	*	People of the Parish		Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
11-Sep-22	11am	*	Dewaele Family	Judy Dewaele	

Baptism.- – Entering into the Body of Christ!



St. Joseph Parish is pleased to welcome a new Catholic:
Sophie Kathleen, daughter of Omar and Christine Shamji, who will be baptized this Sunday, September

4th, at St. Patrick Church.

We offer our congratulations and prayers to her family and friends.

Registrations are open for

- Sacrament of First Communion, for children entering Grade 2.
- Sacrament of Confirmation for students Grades 7 & 8.

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is collecting pasta & pasta sauce.

You can place your donations at the box at the entrance of the Church before Masses. You also can support by

- Sending your donation to the parish office
- Donating on line via [Canada Helps](#)
- Contributing regular monthly donations to St. Vincent de Paul by PreAuthorized Remittance (PAR). Contact the parish office, to register.

Thank you for your generosity!

Fr. Francisco wants to meet young families!

Bible stories and refreshments. **Come and Meet Our Pastor - September 10th at 9 am. Jubilee Hall.**

Happy Labour Day Weekend! This marks the end of the summer vacation period and the resumption of activities at home, parish and school. May God bless and inspire every one of us to promote the personal and communal spiritual growth and development.

Liturgy this week:

Thursday, Sept. 8 – The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Feast.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

- Have you been attending Mass with your Catholic spouse even though you are not Catholic?
- Would you like to become member of the Catholic Church?
- Are you an adult who has never been baptized?
- Were you baptized in another Christian Church?
- Are you baptized Catholic adult who has not yet received First Communion or Confirmation?

If your answer is YES to any of these questions, call Father Francisco for more information about the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults R.C.I.A.

The Franciscans Corner

“Keep a clear eye toward life’s end. Do not forget your purpose and destiny as God’s creature. What you are in his sight is what you are and nothing more. Remember that when you leave this earth, you can take nothing that you have received...but only what you have given’ a full heart enriched by honest service, love, sacrifice, and courage”. Francis of Assisi

Message from the Grey Bruce Pregnancy Centre.

“We are very thankful to each and every one of you for participating in our 2022 Baby Bottle Campaign again this year! Many of you participated by donating online or with cheques, while 5 of our churches used the actual bottles this year. Our campaign finished off this year with a total amount raised of \$26,558.49! Your church raised a total of \$1,100.00 altogether! Thank you for helping us continue to support our families and their little ones.

The Catholic Women’s League will resume their monthly meetings on Tuesday, September 20th at 7:30 pm. Mass will be celebrated at 7 pm followed by the meeting in Jubilee Hall. New members are always welcome!

Children’s Liturgy of the Word Formation Workshop

Are you interested in joining this Ministry of proclaiming the Word of God to young children on Sunday mornings? **On Saturday, September 17, 2022**, there will be a Formation Workshop for the Children’s Liturgy of the Word, at Jubilee Hall here at St. Joseph Church in Port Elgin. Please call the Office to register.

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 www.bgcdsb.org/voting/, to get more information.

Pray for Vocations:

Having a loose grasp on those things that rightly belong to God is required of every follower. The open hands you are left with will be filled by God and overflowing. Can you let go? 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/

Evenings with His Excellency, Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, continue this fall at St. Ann's Parish, Ancaster. Class is the second Friday of each month, beginning September 9th at 7:00 p.m. For more information, visit the Parish website: <https://stannparish.ca/>.

World Youth Day: Lisbon & Fatima, Portugal July 28th – August 7th, 2023

Bishop Crosby is sending a delegation of 40 young adults to World Youth Day in the summer of 2023. World Youth Day (WYD) is the gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope. It is also a pilgrimage, a celebration of youth, and expression of the universal Church and an intense moment of evangelization for the world. All young people aged 18-35 are welcome to join this pilgrimage experience.

For more information, visit

<https://wyd.hamiltondiocese.com/>

Struggling After an Abortion?

Either your own, or someone else's? Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? Project Rachel is available to help. 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.

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.

Vincentian Meditation:

"The story of St. Vincent's life is the story of continual conversion to discipleship, a continual dying to self. Vincent life is a story of continual turning towards Someone. That Someone is the person of Jesus Christ as He is made known in the Gospel. Vincent kept turning towards Jesus and towards the poor. That must also become the story of our life. St. Vincent often gave his followers a guiding principle in the practice of frequently stopping during the day in order to ask the simple question: "What would Jesus Christ do or say if He were in the circumstances in which I find myself now?" (*McCullen, Deep Down Things, p.698*).

Taken from SSSVP Ontario Member Site

The Catholic Church celebrates the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary

on its traditional fixed date of September 8, nine months after the December 8 celebration of her Immaculate Conception as the child of Saints Joachim and Anne.

The circumstances of the Virgin Mary's infancy and early life are not directly recorded in the Bible, but other documents and traditions describing the circumstances of her birth are cited by some of the earliest Christian writers from the first centuries of the Church.

The "Protoevangelium of James," which was probably put into its final written form in the early second century, describes Mary's father Joachim as a wealthy member of one of the Twelve Tribes of Israel. Joachim was deeply grieved, along with his wife Anne, by their childlessness. "He called to mind Abraham," the early Christian writing says, "that in the last day God gave him a son Isaac."

Joachim and Anne began to devote themselves extensively and rigorously to prayer and fasting, initially wondering whether their inability to conceive a child might signify God's displeasure with them. As it turned out, however, the couple were to be blessed even more abundantly than Abraham and Sarah, as an angel revealed to Anne when he appeared to her and prophesied that all generations would honor their future child: "The Lord has heard your prayer, and you shall conceive, and shall bring forth, and your seed shall be spoken of in all the world.

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