

Liturgy for the Fourth Week of Lent

Date	Day	Time	Intention + Rest in Peace / * Intentions of	Requested by	Diocese
20-Mar-23	Mon	9:30am	* Tony Spina	Connie Vidotto	St. Joseph, Patron of Canada & the Universal Church
21-Mar-23	Tue	7pm	+ Yvonne Keenan	Dave & Mary Lepper	Rev. Laszlo Amaszka
22-Mar-23	Wed	9:30am	+ Joan La Blance	Dave & Mary Lepper	Franciscan Fathers (O.F.M.)
			+ Bill Ringrose	Mary Kischuck & Family	
			+ Gil & Diane Kelly	Mark & Lynne Lukas	
23-Mar-23	Thu	9:30am	+ Matt Fitzsimmons	Mark & Lynne Lukas	Rev. Piotr Golinski
24-Mar-23	Fri	9:30am	+ Jim Donnelly	Mary Kischuck & Family	Most Rev. Matthew Ustrzycki
25-Mar-23	Sat a.m.	9:30am	+ John Vallieres	Leo & Tillie Butler	The Annunciation of the Lord
25-Mar-23	Sat	5pm	+ Hector Therrien	Knights of Columbus	Fifth Sunday of Lent
		9am	* People of the Parish	N/APPL	
26-Mar-23	Sun	11am	+ Matt Fitzsimmons	Max & Violet Hernandez	

Prayer Hour at St. Patrick - Wednesdays during Lent, St. Patrick Church will be open from 6:45 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. for silent prayer from 5 minutes to one hour any time. All are invited to come.

Celebrating our Patron's Feast Day:

Gracious Saint Joseph, protect me and my family from all evil as you did the Holy Family. Kindly keep us ever united in the love of Christ, ever fervent in imitation of the virtue of our Blessed Lady, your sinless spouse, and always faithful in devotion to you. Amen.

Canadian Food for Children is a registered charity with the Canadian government. 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](#) or at the collection box at the back of both churches.

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.

Winter Weather – Road and sidewalk conditions remind us of the extra need to be cautious in exercising any of our commitments, including attending Mass. In the event of severe winter weather conditions, we advise parishioners to avoid dangerous driving/walking. 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 feel obliged to come just because the Mass/priest will celebrate.*

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.
Monday, 7 p.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.
Thursday, 9:30 a.m.

Confessions:

Thursday, 10-10:30 a.m.

Parish Office Hours :

Tuesday to Friday
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Fourth Sunday of



March 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 \$2575.55. Diocesan \$350.

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

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

Lenten Movie Nights

Join us on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. – Jubilee Hall
March 22 – The War Room

March 29 - Mother Teresa No Greater Love
(Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus)

The War Room - Synopsis: With great jobs, a beautiful daughter and a dream house, the Jordans seem to have it all. Appearances can be deceiving, however, as husband, Tony, flirts with temptation and wife, Elizabeth, becomes increasingly bitter, crumbling under the strain of a failing marriage. Their lives take an unexpected turn for the better when Elizabeth meets her newest client, Miss Clara, who encourages the couple to find happiness through prayer.

Entering into the Body of Christ!



St. Joseph Parish is pleased to welcome new Catholics:

Ethan Aloysius Waechter,

son of Daniel & Dianne Waechter

Charlotte Marie & William Martin Hopcraft

children of Ryan Hopcraft & Kaylee Martin.

who will be baptized this Sunday, March 19th at St. Joseph Church. We offer our congratulations to their families and friends.



The Stations of the Cross

Performed by the Intermediate Students

Directed by Lucie Desbiens

Performances at St. Joseph School

Thursday, March 23 – 7 p.m.

Friday March 24 – 2 p.m.

Come and be with Jesus on this journey!

Share Lenten Collection is taken up next weekend on the fifth Sunday of Lent.

Stations of the Cross: - 7 p.m.

March 24 @ St. Joseph Church

March 31 @ St. Patrick Church

Good Friday April 7 @ St. Patrick Church

Second Scrutiny. This rite is intended to purify the hearts and minds of the elect, to strengthen them, and to deepen their resolve to follow Christ.

The Gospel today tells the story of the healing of the man born blind. The story does not end with his healing, but rather it continues with the arguments about what really happened and who Jesus is, the one who healed him. We call Christ “The Light of the World” and look to him for the truth we need to really understand the world, ourselves and God. We need to confess our blindness and have some humility before God if we are to be enlightened by Jesus, and not to be like the Pharisees in the story who refuse to accept the truth.

Fellowship and Coffee

Hospitality Sunday has been a tradition in our Parish for many years, offering parishioners the opportunity for fellowship around a cup of coffee or tea, the last Sunday of each month. We thank the groups of the Parish: Knights of Columbus, CWL, St. Vincent de Paul, and Secular Franciscans who have been hosting it for years.

Mexican Fiestas are another fellowship gathering to express our gratitude to the Mexican workers in the area.

We are looking for volunteers who may want to be part of the team. If you would like to share your talent and time by being part of this team, please call the Parish office.

A meditation on the Passion of Christ Grieving over Darkness, Reflecting on Redemption



Spy Wednesday, April 5

8:00 – 9:00 p.m.

St. Joseph Parish

The Most Anticipated Event in 2023

New Production

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 at the back of the church or go online to our website at stjospar.com. You may give your completed form to Fr. Francisco or drop it off at the parish office.

Farewell to Parishioners!

Please be sure to inform the parish office when you are moving away. When a parishioner leaves a parish, it is a time of sadness. Yet, we also rejoice because they will be ambassadors for us, representatives of Christ to a new community. Farewell to Michael and Andrea La Blance. They have been parishioners for over 40+ years, and were part of the local Southampton fishing industry. We send them with our prayers and blessings.

Our hearts were made for you, O Lord,
And they are restless until they rest in you.

St. Augustine

Adult Faith Formation through VLCFF - The Diocese of Hamilton is proud to partner with Dayton University's Virtual Learning Community for Adult Faith Formation (VLCFF) to offer certificate programs for ministry and enrichment for adult faith formation. Three and five week e-seminars are available at a discounted rate for all adults in the Diocese looking to further their learning. For more information about programs, and to register, visit

www.hamiltondioceselearns.com.

Join the Reel Justice Film Festival for a fun family screening of **Coco March 23, 2023 at 6:30 PM!**

This delightful film follows young Miguel as he dreams of becoming an accomplished musician, despite his family's generations-old ban on music. Themes of Family and Community, Dignity of the Human Person, Forgiveness, and Cultural Diversity are explored. The screening will be hosted online. RSVP and view the schedule of events at reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com. A partnership between the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives and Development and Peace, the Reel Justice Film Festival shines a spotlight on issues of social, political, and economic injustice.

Parenting Tip of the Month Parenting Tip 148 - Family is the most powerful influencer in any person's life. What we learn from our family has lifetime implications, influencing how we act, see ourselves and feel about others. As parents, it is important that we do not treat our children as mini-adults, but instead view them as a child of a certain age. There are normal patterns to children's brain development and when we understand those stages, we can more fully understand how to love, teach, discipline and support our children throughout their lives. Family and faith provide a solid foundation for each child when parents take the time to learn about their child's developmental age and ability.

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