

Liturgy for the Third Week of Easter					
Date	Day	Time	Intention + Rest in Peace / * Intentions of	Requested by	Diocese
24-Apr-23	Mon		Pastor's Intentions	N/APPL	Rev. Alberto Ferreira
25-Apr-23	Tue	7pm	+ Fred James	Franciscans	Rev. Khalid Karomi
26-Apr-23	Wed	9:30am	+ Mike Langford	Mary Kischuck & Family	Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul of Zagreb (S.O.C.)
			+ Erdine Chilsom	Knights of Columbus Council 6736	
			+ Fred James	Gerard & Deirdre Walsh	
27-Apr-23	Thu	9:30am	+ John Vallieres	Mary Kischuck & Family	Rev. Gary Schlack
28-Apr-23	Fri	9:30am	* Holy Souls	Gerard & Deirdre Walsh	Rev. Bradley Markus
29-Apr-23	Sat	5pm	+ George Motz	Catherine & Paul Motz	Rev. Edward Henhoeffler
30-Apr-23	Sun	9am	* People of the Parish		Fourth Sunday of Easter
		11am	+ Erdine Chilsom	Rachel & John MacDonald	

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 in the collection box at the back of both churches.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul - You can contribute regular monthly donations to St. Vincent de Paul by PreAuthorized Remittance (PAR). Contact the parish office to register. They are collecting oatmeal and granola bars this week. Thank you for your generosity in helping feed our local people in their time of need.

The **Rosary Garden** is open! Come and pray any time during office hours.

Bible Study – meets on Thursdays 7 – 9 p.m. in Jubilee Hall.

If you are new in this Community and you are making a donation, please write your information, name, phone number and email address on the envelopes, or call the parish office to register.

Feast of St. Joseph the Worker - Monday May 1st – Mass at 7 p.m.

Indigenous Reconciliation Fund - Today, the Third Sunday of Easter, each parish in the Diocese of Hamilton will hold a collection to support the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund. It supports local initiatives of healing and reconciliation with our indigenous brothers and sisters.

Good weather is here and we want to welcome back snowbirds and summer residents.

Children's Liturgy of the Word is on 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 this week:

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 this week:

Sunday, 9 a.m.
 Thursday, 9:30 a.m.
Confessions:
 Thursday, 10 – 10:45 a.m.

Parish Office Hours :

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



April 23rd, 2023

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

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Welcome and Registration:

If you are new in the area, we welcome you to our Parish.
 Please find the registration form [on our website](#).

Church Collections

This week's regular contributions were \$2399 PAR \$5645
 Easter \$325 Diocesan \$80

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

SSVP Hot Line: 519-832-2207

Sacraments:

Baptism: Contact the parish office for registration and information.

First Communion: Congratulations to the First Communicants 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, Weddings and Funerals are offered in Spanish upon request.

First Communion celebration

Congratulations to the 22 children who received Jesus in the Eucharist for the First time on Saturday, April 22nd:

Victoria B.	Santino B.
Damian C.,	Violet E.
Harrison G.	Maxwell G.
Emma H.	Xavier J.
Zoe L.,	Emmett L.
Addison M.	Avery M.
Isla M.	Delilah M.
Toni O.	Sophia P.
Erika R.	Charlotte S.
Luca V.	Stella W.

We pray they fall more deeply in love with Jesus in the Eucharist everyday.



The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Saturday April 29th. Please pray that the young people open their hearts to the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. We welcome His Excellency Bishop Lobsinger who will be bringing the Gifts of the Holy Spirit to them.

The National Volunteer Week theme for 2023 is Volunteering Weaves Us Together. This reveals the importance of volunteering to the strength and vibrancy of our communities through the interconnected actions we take to support one another. These diverse forms of sharing our time, talent and energy strengthen the fabric of our community. Through volunteering we experience our interconnectedness, making our lives more meaningful. Getting involved in various ways, we find friendship, develop trust, and link our relationships. Threading these connections, we come to belong as we contribute towards the same goals. [Continue reading.](#) We thank all the volunteers at St. Joseph Parish who contribute in a small and big way to our Christian Community.

(Jn. 14) Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you, says the Lord, alleluia.

Entering into the Body of Christ!



St. Joseph Parish is pleased to welcome a new Catholic, **Drew Lyndon Sousa**, Daughter of David & Blair Sousa, who was baptized on Saturday, April 22nd at St. Joseph Church. We offer our congratulations to her family and friends.

Gardening is therapeutic!

Studies show that gardening can do wonders for your well-being, for instance:

- It can build self-esteem
- It's good for your heart
- it reduces stress and anxiety
- It can make you happy
- it improves your hand strength
- it gives a boost of vitamin D

The gardens in both churches, St. Patrick and St. Joseph, need your help! If you like gardening and you can commit one morning a week, please call the parish office.

St. Joseph Little Store – There are new items for First Communion and Confirmation in our Little Store. Bibles, rosaries, crucifixes, medals and more are available. Purchases can be made after the weekend Masses at St. Joseph Church or through the Office Tue – Fri 10 am – 3 pm.

Salvation through Christ broken and shared was always God's plan.

God sent his only Son, who would save our souls not through silver or gold but by his own precious blood. The disciples did not always understand this, as much as Jesus had proclaimed it. The risen Christ broke bread and shared it with them, and they began to truly see and comprehend.



Yes, Christ is truly risen, and we are witnesses of this. We proclaim this witness to the world, so that the joy, which is ours, will reach countless other hearts, kindling in them the light of the hope which does not

– St. John Paul II

Parenting Tip of the Month - Parenting Tip 149 - As spring begins we see new life erupting everywhere. This is a great chance to point out the beauty of God's creation to your children, as buds form, trees bloom and flowers grow. Remind them of God's creative power and how he created all this for us, but also gave us the task of caring for His creation. We must nurture and protect God's created world. It is also a chance to remind them that life too has cycles and we can begin anew – the Sacrament of Reconciliation allows us to seek forgiveness and start anew, just as nature does each spring! Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

Marriage Tip of the Month - Marriage Tip 129 - Easter provides us with a clear picture of how much God loves us, since he sent his son to die on the Cross so we could have eternal life. Easter highlights the importance of forgiveness and our call as Catholics to forgive both ourselves and others. Marriage is an essential place to put this call to forgive into action. Forgiveness means we let go of issues, after discussing and working them out, and then move forward in love. It means showing mercy when mistakes are made and remembering that forgiving allows us to put love first. So, remember to forgive in your marriages so you can both find a place of peace. Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988

Join the Reel Justice Film Festival for an in-person screening at The Staircase Theatre, Hamilton with guest speaker Jason Hoffing from Relay Coffee! April 27th @ 7 p.m. Highlighting the importance of fair trade coffee, the film Black Gold follows Tadesse Meskela, a man on a mission to save 74,000 struggling coffee farmers in Ethiopia from bankruptcy. Against the backdrop of Tadesse's journey to London and Seattle, the power of the multinational players that dominate the world's coffee trade becomes apparent. Location: 27 Dundurn St N, Hamilton. RSVP at www.reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/.

Separated or Divorced? Looking for some learning, support and fun on a Friday evening? Join our RESTART: Refresh, Renew, Revive group held the 2nd & 3rd Fridays of each month. These get-togethers offer continual support and insights for people as they journey through the divorce/separation process and beyond. Join in-person at 700 King St. W, Hamilton, or by Zoom. **No registration required.** For Zoom, contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com

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