



## 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.- Spanish

Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, 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.

### **Confessions:**

No scheduled this week.

### **Parish Office Hours :**

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

### **Church Collections**

This week's regular contributions were \$4243 – P.A.R. (\$1342/week) Diocese \$50.

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

**SSVP Hot Line:**

**519-832-2207**

Thirteenth Sunday in



July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023

SUMMER EDITION

## SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

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### **Parish Staff**

Pastor: Fr. Francisco J. Sordo

Administrator: Rosalie Scarlett

Secretary: Gloria Villamil

### **Welcome to St. Joseph Parish!**

If you are new in the area, we invite you to register with the parish office.

Please find the registration form [on our website](#).

### **Sacraments:**

**Baptism:** Contact the parish office for registration and information.

**First Communion:** Registration will start in the Fall 2023

**Confirmation:** Next Confirmation will take place in 2025.

**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.**

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

### ***We are called to carry our cross and follow Jesus.***

The readings today reflect on what we gain through sacrifice. Sacrifice is not just about what we give up, but rather what we discern to be unnecessary or in vain. When we put these things aside, we then can find what is most important. Jesus teaches us that through sacrifice, we find our true reward with him.

**July 1** is celebrated as Canada's birthday. Canadians should seek to be witnesses to Christ in Canada and the world, and to continue working to influence those in government to act from Christian principles. Christians, realizing they do not have a lasting home here, should pray and work for justice and peace in Canada and throughout the world, so that all God's people may share in the goods of this earth. God's kingdom will come only when all people are ready to let Christ's teaching guide and rule their lives and actions.



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## Liturgy of the Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time

| Date     | Day | Time   | +RIP<br>* Ints. | Requested by                       | Diocese                          |   |
|----------|-----|--------|-----------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| 3-Jul-23 | Mon | --     | *               | Pastor's Intentions                | N/APPL                           | Most Rev. Matthew Ustrzycki                   |
| 4-Jul-23 | Tue | 7pm    | *               | Celia Rivera & Luis Alfredo Ovalle | Tatiana Ovalle & Miguel Bermudez | Rev. James Petrie                             |
| 5-Jul-23 | Wed | 9:30am | +               | Mary MacLeod                       | Sergio & Connie Vidotto          | Institute of Kkottongnae<br>Sisters of Jesus  |
|          |     |        | +               | Lavonne Spiegl                     | Jerry & Gaetane Orszynowicz      |   |
|          |     |        | *               | Wayne Caskanette                   | Dave & Mary Lepper               |   |
| 6-Jul-23 | Thu | 9:30am | +               | Rose Motz                          | Catherine & Paul Motz            | Rev. Fadi Rizk                                |
| 7-Jul-23 | Fri | 9:30am | +               | John Schropp & Don Brock           | Brenda Murray                    | Rev. Francesco Cucchi                         |
| 8-Jul-23 | Sat | 5pm    | *               | People of the Parish               | N/APPL                           | Rev. Grzegorz Ogorzalek                       |
| 9-Jul-23 | Sun | 9am    | +               | Fred James                         | Brenda Murray                    | <b>Fourteenth Sunday in<br/>Ordinary Time</b> |
|          |     | 11am   | +               | Tony Spina                         | Jack & Jo-Anne Konings           |   |



Welcome Sister Mary Cecilia Draru from the Little Sisters of Mary Immaculate in Gulu, Uganda, who will be in her Missionary co-op this weekend. See more on our website, and on the Bulletin Boards.

**Divine Mercy Candle** – The Divine Mercy candle is offered to be lit for a special intention, for \$5 per candle, per week. Simply drop an envelope marked “Divine Mercy Candle”, the name of the person you wish to remember, and the stipend. Names will be published in the bulletin at the beginning of that week.

**Do you need an Air Conditioner unit?** We have a few A/C Units available. Please talk to Fr. Francisco after Mass.



**Spanish Mass & Fiesta** – Join us for our Spanish Mass this Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. followed by the traditional “fiesta” hosted by the Knights of Columbus.

### Liturgy this week:

Mon. July 3 – St. Thomas Apostle (F)

Thursday, July 6 – Mass will be at  
St. Joseph Church due to the Craft Show.

**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 Kleenex and toilet paper this week. Thank you for your generosity in helping feed our local people in their time of need.

**Canadian Food for Children CFFC** is a registered charity with the Canadian government. Donate at [Canada Helps](#) or in the collection box at the back of both churches.

**Parenting Tip of the Month** – Summer should be a time of relaxation, slowed schedules and time spent together as a family. All three of these are essential elements for good mental health for all family members, including children. So, together spend time outdoors, play games, cook or bake and pray because these are the moments that will strengthen your family bond. Take a holiday from social media and devices while doing so, which can help to prevent the negative mental health issues in children they are known to produce. Renew your commitment to in person, device free time together this summer and watch your children thrive. From: Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

**Marriage Tip of the Month** – When we say “I do” during our marriage vows we are really saying “I will”. I will love this person even in moments when they may feel unlovable. I will not look for a 50/50 split in what we do, but will be a partner who will give more, and sometimes have to take more, depending on the circumstances of our lives. I will look to find a solution instead of winning. I will spend time with you so we stay connected and in love. I will remember the commitment I made to be faithful and seek to make you a better person and accept your attempts to do the same for me. Marriage, taken as an action word, continues to grow and thrive despite the challenges life may throw at you and it produces a love that strengthens as the years pass. From: Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.



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### **2023 APPEAL FROM THE LITTLE SISTERS OF MARY IMMACULATE OF GULU (LSMIG)**

**Who we are:** The Little Sisters of Mary Immaculate of Gulu (LSMIG) are an indigenous Congregation of Catholic Sisters founded in 1936 in the Archdiocese of Gulu in Northern Uganda (East Africa).

**Our Charism & Mission:** LSMIG Charism is to share *God's love and kindness to All*. Our mission calls us to witness to the love of Jesus

Christ to the poor and most vulnerable members of the society. We the LSMIG live our mission through: Catholic education, health, pastoral and social services in hard-to-reach areas in northern Uganda.



*Sister Zipora and family Sensitization program against early marriage*

**Our Ministry:** Since 2016, the LSMIG are responding to a unique ministry to a people who are recovering from four decades of civil war (1979-2016), while concurrently dealing with influx of refugees from neighboring countries of South Sudan and the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). The traumatic impact of the war coupled with the after math of global crisis of COVID 19 and its



*Sister Rosetta training child mothers from the refugee camps on making liquid soap*

related inflations and threat to world peace has generated untold humanitarian crisis in northern Uganda. The two years COVID19 lockdown exposed refugee girls and boys to domestic and sexual violence & forced early marriage. The refugee girls in particular are most affected because they continue to be violated in exchange for money and animals to meet basic needs of the other members of family. Consequently, these girls have become child mothers at the tender age of 13-16 years. We have responded to these young girls and boys by establishing Angelo Negeri Education Center (ANEC) in which the child-mothers and fathers can receive elementary education and vocational training, together with their babies in the same school campus. Without catholic health services and education, these girls and their babies are prone to more violence and exploitation.

We kindly invite you through your Pastor Rev Fr Sordo to kindly consider financial support to the mission of the Little Sisters of Mary Immaculate of Gulu for the education of the refugee child mothers at ANEC. **You can make your gift in cash or check to your Parish for the LSMIG.** Be assured of our prayers and please keep us in your prayers as well.

In Jesus, Mary and Joseph



Sister Mary Cecilia Draru, LSMIG. PhD  
Zonal Coordinator-USA Mission

**LIGHT IN DARKNESS**