

St. Joseph Church

Location: 920 Wellington St.
Port Elgin, ON



Masses this week:

Saturday, 5 p.m.
Sunday, 11 a.m.
Tuesday, No Mass
Wednesday, No Mass
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, No Mass

Confessions:

No confessions this day

Parish Office Hours :

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

Church Collections

This week's regular contributions were \$4384
PAR \$1377/week
Diocesan \$160
Mission Co-op \$105

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519-832-2207

Twenty-third Sunday in



September 10th, 2023

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 are open for the celebration on Easter.
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 weather permitting during office hours.

Jesus is present when we gather together and love one another

The liturgical gathering makes Christ present in numerous ways, such as through the proclamation of the word of God and in the Eucharist. Perhaps the most overlooked reality of Christ's presence comes through the physical gathering of God's people, who are instructed to owe nothing to anyone except love. This love between us makes God presence visible on earth.

Gospel of Matthew: The King and His Kingdom

Join Fr. Francisco in the 24 sessions on Thursdays, spread out through the year, starting on September 14, from 7-9 p.m.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

All Fridays in September at 10 a.m. This week Kimberly Hahn will talk virtually about Mary's Sorrows, then, adoration in silence until 11:45, and Benediction and Reposition.

"... but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, 'Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you'" - Ephesians 5.13-14

SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

Liturgy of the Twenty-Third Week in Ordinary Time

Date	Day	Time	+ RIP * Ints.	Intention	Requested by	Diocese
11-Sep-23	Mon	-	*	Pastor's Intentions	N/A	Rev. Ronald Voisin
12-Sep-23	Tue	-	-	No Mass Scheduled		Rev. Sam Restivo, C.R.
13-Sep-23	Wed	-	-	No Mass Scheduled		Missionary Sisters of Christ the King
14-Sep-23	Thu	-	-	No Mass Scheduled		Rev. Roque Concepcion
15-Sep-23	Fri	9:30am	+	Jerzy Czarnik	Larry and Susan Romanowich	Our Lady of Sorrows
16-Sep-23	Sat	5pm	+	Ottie & Jan Orsztynowicz	Jerry & Gaetane Orsztynowicz	Rev. George Nowak, C.R.
17-Sep-23	Sun	9am	*	Eileen Fortney	Brenda Murray	Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
		11am		People of the Parish	N/A	

Liturgy this week:

Wed. Sept. 13 – St. John Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor (M)

Thurs. Sept. 14 – The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (F)

Fri. Sept. 15 – Our Lady of Sorrows (M)

Sat. Sept. 16 – St. Cornelius, Pope, and St. Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs (M)

F- Feast
M – Memorial
S – Solemnity

Hierarchy of Celebrations. - The Church in her wisdom and following the Tradition of the first Christians, has established a hierarchy to follow when it comes to celebrate the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. On the first day of each week, which is known as the Day of the Lord or the Lord's Day, the Church, by an apostolic tradition that draws its origin from the very day of the Resurrection of Christ, celebrates the Paschal Mystery.

1. **Sunday** must be considered the primordial feast day.
2. **Solemnity** - Same elements of Mass as a Sunday: Gloria, two readings, psalm, Gospel, Creed. Solemnities have *proper* prayers and readings specific to the day.
3. **Feast** - Elements of Mass: Gloria, one reading, psalm, Gospel. Feasts have proper prayers and readings specific to the day.
4. **Obligatory Memorial** (i.e., a Saint): Elements of Mass are the same as a standard daily Mass. Memorials have some *proper* prayers. Memorials *may* have specific readings, but they the ferial readings may also be used [and the Church encourages use of daily or ferial readings in most cases, to avoid disrupting the cycle of readings].
5. **Optional Memorial.** The Celebrant decides if it is celebrated instead of a regular mass.
6. **Commemoration** [during Lent and the latter part of Advent, memorials become commemorations].

Note: Some memorials and feasts are elevated to solemnities in particular nations, dioceses, parishes, communities; especially the feasts of patrons.

Divine Mercy Candle. This week the candle is lit for all returning students and teachers.

**For the sake of His sorrowful Passion,
have mercy on us and on the whole world!**

A call for the families of all Grade 2 Students

This is an important year for your child!

As a parish, we are ready to support your family at the time of preparation for the Sacraments of First Communion and First Reconciliation. We look forward to helping you and your child feel welcomed, well-prepared, and ready to receive the Sacraments.

Catechetical Correspondence Courses

These programs are interactive parent-child programs, designed to assist families in the Diocese of Hamilton whose children are enrolled in public or private schools, are homeschooled, or for other reasons unable to attend Catholic Schools. There are programs for every age and stage from Kindergarten through to high school including programs specially designed to assist children preparing for the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation. Our correspondence courses currently reach over 900 children from all over the Diocese — families in the Grey-Bruce, Wellington, Waterloo, Halton and Brant regions as well as in Hamilton. The Catechesis Office is proud to carry on the important work of the School Sisters of Notre Dame in providing high quality catechesis for children and their families.

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

R.C.I.A. The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults will start at the beginning of October. If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, or if you want to become Catholic, or you haven't received the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation, please call the parish office for more information on how to join the group.

Next Taizè prayer service will be held at St. Paul's Anglican Church in Southampton on Sunday evening, September 17th @ 7 p.m. If you are interested in learning the music prior to the service and if you play an instrument that you would like to bring along, please come for a practice at 6:15 p.m.

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.

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, granola bars, crackers this week. Thank you for your generosity.

Altar Servers – Children Grade 4 and up who have received their First Communion are welcome to join the team of Altar Servers for the weekends. Speak with Fr. Francisco or call the office.

Volunteer Screening – If you are involved in any of the following ministries at St. Joseph Parish, please remember to provide an updated police check for the High Risk Sector:

- Preparation for First Communion
- Children's Liturgy of the Word
- RCIA
- Communion to the Homebound
- Collection Counters
- Finance Council
- St. Vincent de Paul Society
- Volunteer Screening Committee

You will be contacted soon by our team.

ReSTART: Moving Forward – This 10-week program offers support to anyone seeking to heal and move forward after divorce or separation. The sessions will run from Sept. 19-Nov. 28 and take place from 7-9 pm at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West in person, or you are welcome to join our zoom classroom. Cost is \$35 for materials, but no one is turned away. Registration is required so please call Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, e-mail familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com.

Marriage Support - Your marriage doesn't have to feel like it is more trouble than joy, that it feels stagnant or disconnected and/or that it is causing you constant stress. The solution is Retrouvaille - a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works well for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend is Oct. 20-22. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com.

Separated / Divorced Support Group Waterloo
Life changes are never easy. After a separation or divorce, you may be feeling isolated or need of support and healing to adjust to your new life. Come together with others to realize there is a 'second act', on the 3rd Tuesday of every month - 7:30-8:30 pm - September 19, October 17, November 21, and December 19, 2023. Feel free to come early and join the Parish in prayer - 7:00pm Mass. Meet in the St Michael Parish Centre (basement) Waterloo, at 7:30pm. To register: Phone 519-884-9311, or Email: parish@stmichaelw.ca

I believe, O my Saviour, that you know
just what is best for me. – St. John Henry Newman

Marriage Tip of the Month - When asked what matters most to someone who is married, people often answer my wife/husband and children. It is important to see if your actions reflect that belief. Do you spend time together daily talking about your day and important matters? Do you plan a date night with your spouse (even if it is from home), so your children see the love you share? Do you do little tasks that need doing without being asked? Do you compliment your spouse and tell them you love them? What we do tells others what matters – be sure your spouse knows they do!

Parenting Tip of the Month – As summer ends and school begins, it is time to get back to a more scheduled lifestyle. As you organize your family, remember that our priorities are what we give the most time to and what we schedule time for, so do not forget to schedule family time, prayer time and Church attendance into your schedule. Place these items on the calendar because they matter to your whole family and seeing them there raises up their importance!

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The Catholic school teacher asks,
"Now, Little Johnny, tell me honestly,
do you say prayers before eating?"

"No Sir," Little Johnny replies,
"I don't have to. My Mom is a good cook."

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