

St. Joseph Church

Location: 920 Wellington St.
Port Elgin, ON



Masses this week:

Tuesday, 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday, 7 p.m.
Thursday, 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, 5 p.m.
Sunday, 11 a.m.

Confessions:

Saturday, 4 p.m.



St. Patrick Church

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

Masses this week:

Sunday, 9 a.m.

Knights of Columbus:

meet every first
Wednesday of the month
at 7 p.m. – Jubilee Hall.
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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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](#) or at both churches.

**January 19th,
2025**



Second Sunday in

***“Do whatever he tells you.”
Miracles happen when we follow Jesus.***

These words of Mary are our instruction, too. Whatever we are facing, we are called to do what Jesus asks of us, according to the gifts the Spirit has given us. Our respective calls will be distinct from one another; the unity of the Church and our collective faithfulness to Jesus depends on each of us responding to our unique call.

Living with Christ Sunday Missal

Sacraments:

Baptism: Contact the parish office for information.

First Communion will take place on May 3 & 4, 2025

Confirmation: will take place on June 7th, 2025

R.C.I.A.: Will gather on Saturdays at 10 a.m. in the Boardroom.

Marriage: Contact the parish office one year in advance.

Communion to the Homebound: arrangements can be made for you to receive Communion at home.

Anointing of the sick: If you are having a major surgery, have a terminal illness, or if you feel in danger of death, you can call the parish 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.

Liturgy of the Word for Children is running during the 11 a.m. Mass.

January 19th, 2025

Liturgy for the Second Week in Ordinary Time						
Date	Day	Time	+ / *	Intention <small>+ Rest in Peace / * Intentions of</small>	Requested by	Diocese
21-Jan	Tue	9:30am	*	Sharon Neale	M. MacArthur	Rev. Edward Hampson
22-Jan	Wed	7pm	+	Jeff Hatt	The Hatt Family	Youth Ministers
23-Jan	Thu	9:30am	+	Maria Candiago	D. & M. Lepper	Rev. Scott Whitfield
25-Jan	Sat	5pm	*	Lynne Lukas on her Birthday	J. & G. Orstynowicz	Rev. Ron Cote
			*	Mohamed & Maria Gomaa	R. Corp	
			*	Luis Villamil & Romany Craig	G. Villamil	
			+	Alicia Cook	J. & G. Orstynowicz	
26-Jan	Sun	9am	*	People of the Parish	N/A	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time / Bible Sunday
		11am	+	Maria Candiago	The Potvin Family	

Divine Mercy Candle - Sharon Neale

Divine Mercy Chaplet: After the 5 p.m. Mass on Saturdays



Jubilee of 2025 – Please see the Heroes of Hope Newsletter at the end of this electronic bulletin, or look for it at our website.

Sunday of the Word of God: “I hope in your Word” (Psalm 119:74)

The Third Sunday of Ordinary Time marks the celebration of Bible Sunday in the Diocese of Hamilton. At the conclusion of the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis encouraged every Christian community to choose one Sunday a year to renew its efforts to make the Sacred Scriptures better known and widely diffused. Our celebration of Bible Sunday is a call to listen to how #TheBibleSpeaks in our hearts and within our communities of faith. This year, within the context of the Jubilee, we celebrate the Sacred Scriptures as a great source of hope for all the faithful. The Pastoral Offices of the Diocese of Hamilton have prepared a wide variety of resources for youth and adults in celebration of Bible Sunday 2025. Visit our website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks/> for more information.

Liturgy this week

- Tue. Jan. 21 – St. Agnes, Virgin, Martyr (M)
- Fri. Jan. 24 – St. Francis de Sales, Bishop, Doctor (M)
- Sat. Jan. 25 – The Conversion of St. Paul, the Apostle (F)
- Sun. Jan. 26 – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday of the Word of God

St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank – Families in need of assistance are invited to visit the Food Bank in the downstairs hall at St. Joseph Church twice per month on the first and third Wednesday of every month **from 11:00 a.m. till 2 p.m.** SVP is collecting canned salmon, tomato sauce, pasta and canned tomatoes.

Canadian Food For Children is collecting bars of soap, shampoo, toothpaste, tooth brushes for the month of January.

THANK YOU to Fr. Ian Duffy and Fr. Thomas Mannanizhath for covering Fr. Francisco on his vacation, by celebrating Masses weekends and weekdays respectively.

Weekday Masses, all be at St. Joseph Church, on an adjusted schedule:

- Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m.
- Wednesdays at 7 p.m.
- Thursdays at 9:30 a.m.

EXAMINE YOUR CONSCIENCE to remember and recognize your sins.

What place does God occupy in my life? Do I truly love God with all my heart, or do I live concerned only with material things, work, business, riches and worldly well-being?

Do I cultivate my faith and my Christian formation by participating in conferences, reading the Bible, apologetics books?

Do I pray every day and try to lead my family members to pray?

Second Week in Ordinary Time

Vocations Pray to know how God wants to use your talents and abilities. Could it be He is calling you to consider priesthood, diaconate, or religious life? If He is, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, 905-528-7988. Email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

Church Collections this week

Regular contributions were \$1778. PAR \$1756/week.
Thank you for your generosity!



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

First Reconciliation and First Communion:

Next Session: **January 24th** at 6:30 p.m. Jubilee Hall

Confirmation:

Next Session: **February 21st** at 6:30 p.m. in Jubilee Hall

RCIA – Saturdays at 10 a.m. in the Boardroom.

All parishioners are invited to join the R.C.I.A. lessons to understand and deep your knowledge in the following topics:

- Christian Moral Living - February 1,
- Dignity of Life & Ethics of Life – February 8
- Social Justice - February 15

RCIA meets on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Jubilee Hall.

The Anointing of the Sick is a particular gift of the Holy Spirit. The first grace of this sacrament is one of strengthening, peace and courage to overcome the difficulties that go with the condition of serious illness or the frailty of old age. This grace is a gift of the Holy Spirit, who renews trust and faith in God and strengthens against the temptations of the evil one, the temptation to discouragement and anguish in the face of death. This assistance from the Lord by the power of his Spirit is meant to lead the sick person to healing of the soul, but also of the body if such is God's will. Furthermore, "if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven." CCC 1520

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated around the world on January 18 – 25, which are also the dates recommended by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. It encourages Christians of all denominations to meet, to participate in various liturgical and other community activities, and to pray together that all may be one, as Christ desires. All members of the parish should seek to have a deeper understanding of ecumenism.

Parenting Tip of the Month *Parenting Tip #165* Family time matters, as much when our children age as when they are young. It helps to ensure this happens by building traditions that everyone partakes in regularly. Traditions that everyone looks forward to and enjoys - pizza and movie nights, a special breakfast after attending Mass, games night – anything that brings you together for fun will do. The emotional health of children with these kinds of connections is stronger throughout their lifetime. As a family, plan your together time weekly and remember to share meals together daily, whichever meal of the day that has to be. With a solid family foundation, your connectedness can and will stay intact as your children grow older.

Marriage Tip of the Month *Marriage Tip #145*

January is a perfect time to sit together as a couple with a good cup of coffee or hot chocolate and do a little year in review. Did we spend enough time with each other and with our families? What went well for us and where do we recognize challenges? Discuss how these things could be better in 2025 and commit to making it happen for your couple relationship. A little marriage reflection and tune-up can keep the sparks alive!

RESTART: Refresh, Renew, Revive – Struggling after divorce or separation? Join us for learning, support and fun on a Friday evenings. 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 (700 King St. West, Hamilton), or by ZOOM. Register for the sessions here:

<https://sites.google.com/view/hamilton-restart/home>
or contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249 or familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com, or if you plan to attend in person and for the zoom link if joining online. We look forward to seeing you!

2024 Tax Receipts were sent by e-mail this past week. If you do not have an email account, or if you want your receipt printed, please call the parish office and we will print it for you. If your contribution was through *CanadaHelps*, you will receive the Tax Receipt directly from them.

Giving through PAR (Pre-Authorized Giving) – Reflect on all that God has given you, and prayerfully decide how much of this you will return to God through your offering. Using PAR is convenient for our parish, as it is a regular, dependable contribution, it reduces paperwork, and it supports planned parish programs and activities. On your side, you will automatically contributed to the parish, even when you are away.

If you want to increase the current regular contributions through PAR, please notify the parish office by the 10th of the month; automatic withdrawals from your bank account or credit card will begin on the 20th of the month.

Enjoying Hospitality Sunday? We need your help!

If your family or group wants to host a Hospitality Sunday any month this year, please contact the parish office.

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