

St. Joseph Church

Location: 920 Wellington St.
Port Elgin, ON



Masses this week:

Tuesday, No Mass
Wednesday, No Mass.
Friday, 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:



Thursday, No Mass
Sunday, 9 a.m.

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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](#).

September 1st, 2024



In Today's Gospel, Jesus is encouraging us to

Listen and Understand

that the deepest desires of our hearts are reflected in our everyday actions, words and decisions.

He is stirring our hearts and inviting us to reflect on the source of our spiritual well-being.

Sacraments:

Baptism: Contact the parish office for information.

First Communion: Registrations are open for children in Grade 2.

Confirmation: Registrations are open for Grade 7 & 8 students.

R.C.I.A.: Will start soon. Please call the parish office to register.

Marriage: Contact the parish office one year in advance.

Care of the Sick: If you are unable to attend church:

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

Pastoral visit to your home or to the hospital.

Anointing of the sick: If you are having a major surgery, or a terminal illness, or if you feel in danger of death you may want to receive this sacrament.

Do not wait until the last moment. Contact 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.

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

Liturgy for the Twenty-Second Week in Ordinary Time

Date	Day	Time	+ / *	Intention + Rest in Peace / * Intentions of	Requested by	Diocese
02-Sep	Mon	No	*	Pastor Intentions	N/A	Rev. John Yang
03-Sep	Tue	7pm		No Mass scheduled		Rev. Stefano Lee
04-Sep	Wed	9:30am		No Mass scheduled		Our Parish Community
05-Sep	Thu	9:30am		No Mass scheduled		Rev. Brendan McGrath
06-Sep	Fri	9:30am	*	Dave & Mary Lepper	Mary Kischuck & Family	Rev. Mariusz Durbajlo
07-Sep	Sat	5pm	+	Joan Rankin	Dave & Annemarie Kinsman	Catholic Teachers
			+	Sam Waytowich	Dave & Annemarie Kinsman	
			+	Suzanne Charbonneau	Fern & Lucie Desbiens	
			*	Artur Solewsky & Family	A parishioner	
			*	Joshua Osoria-Bote	Dave & Mary Lepper	
08-Sep	Sun	9am	*	People of the Parish	N/A	Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
		11am	+	Stanley Przybysz & Joseph Murray	Rick & Caroline Przybysz	

Divine Mercy Candle - Gaetane Orszynowicz

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - First Friday

Join us this coming Friday September 6th, for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 9:30 a.m. Mass, followed by Adoration in silence until 11:45am, then Benediction and Reposition.

Canadian Food for Children CFFC accepts all food donations. Any items are welcome. Towels, sheets and blankets are collected during the month of September.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank is offering families in need of assistance to visit the Food Bank, twice a month, in the downstairs hall at St. Joseph Church, as follows:

First Wednesday from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Third Wednesday from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

SVP is collecting backpacks, soda crackers, apple sauce, raisin bran cereal and juice boxes during the month of September.

Vocations – Our second Scripture reading reminds us that “Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father ...”. God’s gifts should prompt a response of gratitude, which should be the basis of our daily lives. If you feel God is offering you the gift of priesthood, religious life or diaconate, and you wish to respond generously, trusting in God, call Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, 905-528-7988. Email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

Liturgy this week

Tue. Sep. 3 – St. Gregory the Great, Pope, Doctor (M)

Sun. Sep. 8 – Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



“Make
Your ways
known
to me,
Lord”

St. Joseph
the Worker
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Franciscans

We can trust God to grant us the grace we need to commit to serving Him and following His Son.

We are beginning our journey.

Join us in Jubilee Hall,

Sept 28th, Oct 26th, Nov 30th

@ 2:30 p.m. for about 1-1/2 hrs.

For more info call Gaetane at 519 832-5694

Preparing for the Jubilee Year

Pope Francis declared that 2024 be marked as a year dedicated to prayer in preparation for the Jubilee. Dioceses and parishes are invited to promote initiatives to remind people of the centrality of both individual prayer and community prayer. The Year of Prayer is, in the Pope's words, focused on “rediscovering the great value and absolute need for prayer, prayer in personal life, in the life of the Church, prayer in the world.”

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

TIME FOR SACRAMENTS

Registrations are open for the following Sacraments:

First Reconciliation and First Communion

All children born in 2017, who are entering Grade 2.



Confirmation:

All students entering Grade 7 & 8.

RCIA

All Children Grade 3 and older, or adults who haven't been confirmed, or people who want to become Catholic.

Please take the registration at the back of both Churches, and return it to the parish office by September 30th. Preparation will start in the fall.

Church Collections this week - Thank you for your generosity. Regular contributions were \$2198, PAR \$1747/week.

Adoption Can Be A Positive Alternative To An Unexpected Pregnancy

- Did you know that every day across Canada, hundreds of women deal with the news of an unexpected pregnancy. Each situation is unique with its own set of challenges.

The Grey Bruce Pregnancy Centre strive to inform their clients about the adoption process, and ask some key questions when providing support and presenting their options so they can make an informed decision.

They have found that the pregnancy itself might not be the biggest obstacle they face, but the circumstances surrounding it, such as emotional support, financial instability, and isolation.

Did you know that Joseph became the adoptive father of Jesus? Moses was adopted by Pharaoh's daughter. Samuel was adopted by Eli, and Esther was adopted by Mordecai. Their lives were each transformed by adoption.

Being more engaged politically

Some parishioners were interested in the websites that Fr. Bob Kiffman spoke about in his homily last weekend:

C2C Journal <https://c2cjournal.ca/>

Canadian Taxpayers Assoc. <https://www.taxpayer.com/>

Frontier Centre for Public Policy <https://fcpp.org/>

Quillette Dailing <https://quillette.com/>

When you call or email your local MP or MPP expressing approval or disapproval to their public policy, a phone call is counted as 300 votes.

The Season of Creation or the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

takes place each year from September 1st to October 4th (the feast of St. Francis). This is an important time when we reflect on the divine gift of Creation and our responsibilities as its stewards. Each year we continue to reflect on the relevance of the Holy Father's encyclical *Laudato Si'* in which we are all called to participate in an ecological conversion.

This conversion is not possible without addressing the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor. To generate momentum that does not divide but unites, and does not stem from fear but from hope. These calls for unity, hope and action are renewed in the Pope's message:



"Yet where, when, and how are we to bear that witness?"

Surely by caring for the flesh of suffering humanity.

As people who dare to dream, we must dream with our eyes wide open, impelled by a desire for love, fraternity, friendship and justice for all. Christian salvation enters into the depths of the world's suffering, which embraces not only humanity but also the entire universe, nature itself, and the oikos, the home and living environment of humanity.

Salvation embraces creation as an "earthly paradise," mother earth, which is meant to be a place of joy and a promise of happiness for all."

Do you know where your marriage certificate is?

Have you chosen a guardian for your children?

Have you designated a Power of Attorney?

Young Adults Night - Saturday, September 7th –

Formosa Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, September 7th at Immaculate Conception Church (212 Concession Rd 12, Formosa, Ontario). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton:

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.



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 Psalm 2:1-1

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