

## St. Joseph Church

**Location:** 920 Wellington St.  
Port Elgin, ON



### Masses this week:

Tuesday, 7 p.m. Spanish  
Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.  
Friday, 9:30 a.m.  
Saturday, 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, 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday, 9 a.m.

### Confessions

Thursday 10 a.m.

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# SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

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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](#).



### ***“Get behind me, Satan”***

How can we humans ever think like God does?

One clue is to consider losing vs. saving our lives. If we can lose our human way of seeing the world – give up our worldly expectations – maybe we can train ourselves to think differently and be open to what God wants.  
If we think more like God, maybe we can embrace the crosses we need to bear more readily, or respond more quickly to the needs of others. *Living with Christ.*

### **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.**

**The Liturgy of the Word for Children will be restarting in October.**

**The frequency is depending on getting more volunteers. We are looking for one team of two adults who can commit once a month at the 11 a.m. Mass. The Children's liturgy is about breaking open the Word of God for young people.**

It is to enhance their inclusion in the liturgy, not separate them from it.

## Liturgy for the Twenty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time

Date	Day	Time	+ / *	Intention + Rest in Peace / * Intentions of	Requested by	Diocese
16-Sep	Mon	No	*	Pastor Intentions	N/A	Rev. Michal Kruszewski, C.R.
17-Sep	Tue	7pm	*	Julie Desbiens	Joe, Mairead & Brian Keely	Very Rev. Aleksander Mazur, S.A.C.
18-Sep	Wed	9:30am	+	Therese Saunders	Brenda Murray	Missionary Sisters of Christ the King M.ChR.
19-Sep	Thu	9:30am	*	In Thanksgiving	The Thomas Family	Rev. Philip Reilly, C.R.
20-Sep	Fri	9:30am	+	Shirley McKellar	Gerard & Deirdre Walsh	Rev. Pawel Jamroz
21-Sep	Sat	9:30am	*	Jim & Chris Hilbig	Joe & Mairead Keely	St. Matthew (Feast)
21-Sep	Sat	5pm	+	John Kischuck	Mary Kischuck & Family	Rev. Stephen Gilbert
			+	Moya Carton	Paul & Catherine Motz	
22-Sep	Sun	9am	*	People of the Parish	N/A	<b>Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
		11am	+	Anna Vidotto	Sergio & Connie Vidotto	

**Divine Mercy Candle** - All Caregivers - **Divine Mercy Chaplet:** After the 5 p.m. Mass on Saturdays

**St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank** is inviting 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 jam, coffee, Chef Boyardee Ravioli, and fruit juices during the month of September.



*“Make  
Your ways  
known  
to me,  
Lord”*

St. Joseph  
the Worker  
Fraternity  
of  
Franciscans

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

All who want to find out a way of our Lord, in the footsteps of St. Francis, are welcome to join the journey in Jubilee Hall, Sept 28<sup>th</sup>, Oct 26<sup>th</sup>, Nov 30<sup>th</sup>

@ 2:30pm for about 1-1/2 hrs.

For more info, call Gaetane at 519 832-5694

**Vocations** – “Who do people say that I am?” Who do you think Jesus is? The depth of our faith is rooted in our answer. Is God calling you to be a priest, religious, or deacon? If you think you are being called to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon call Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, 905-528-7988. Email

[vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)  
[hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/)

When it is in your power to do good, do not hold back!

*St. Polycarp*

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

### Liturgy this week

Mon. Sept. 16 – St. Cornelius and St. Cyprian (M)

Fri. Sep. 20 – St. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, St. Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions (M)

Sat. Sept. 21 – St. Matthew (F)

Sun. Sep. 22 – Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Please notice there is a morning Mass on Saturday September 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 a.m. at St. Joseph Church on the occasion of the Feast of St. Matthew.**

### TIME FOR SACRAMENTS



First Reconciliation and First Communion

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



Confirmation:

All students entering Grade 7 & 8.

RCIA – A journey of faith!

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

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

## Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**Church Collections this week** - Regular contributions were \$3041, PAR \$1747/week. Thank you for your generosity.

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In conjunction with the Liturgy office of the Diocese of Hamilton, we are pleased to host these **liturgical workshops** at St. Joseph Church, facilitated by Fr. Francisco:

*Extraordinary Minister of Communion – October 19<sup>th</sup>*

*Minister of the Word (Lector) – October 26<sup>th</sup>*

Active participation at Mass enhances worship to the Lord. Love and understanding of the Liturgy are key for volunteers who minister at Mass. These workshops are not only for new ministers but also for those who have not attended a workshop for a while. Please consider attending.

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**The Public Square Rosary Crusade**- Join us to pray the Rosary on Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon at the Coulter Parkette, 640 Goderich Street in Port Elgin, to pray the rosary on the anniversary of the apparition of Our Lady of Fatima and the Miracle of the Sun. We will be asking our heavenly Mother to intercede for peace in our country, and the world.

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### **Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom Bible Study**

Thursdays at 7 p.m., Jubilee Hall

All are welcome

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**Forward Together in Christ** – The past Priests' Seminar from the Hamilton Diocese was focused on the Synodal experience as foundational in our Christian life. Cardinal Gerald Cyprien Lacroix and Educator Linda Staudt participated in last year's Synod of Bishops on Synodality at the Vatican. Both are preparing to return to Rome next month for part two of the Synod. The Priests focused on our own Diocese Synodal experience presented by Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, which provides a roadmap for our ministry in the coming few years. The document will be available on our website and the Diocese website.

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**Volunteer Spotlight:** Thank you to Virginia Szulist and Andria Culbert who signed to join Anita Wurmler and Carla Campbell on the Children's Liturgy of the Word team. We still need another one or two adults to run the program every Sunday.

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**Taize service** on Sunday September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7 p.m. at St. Paul's Anglican Church in Southampton.

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**Heartache to Healing - Grief Support Group at St. Michael Parish, Waterloo** - Grief support provides companionship on the long journey through the grief process. Our support group follows the process developed by Dr. Bill Webster, an experienced leader in grief counselling. All who have suffered a loss are welcome, regardless of how much time has passed since your loss. **A monthly informal drop-in support** is available at St. Michael Parish on the 2nd Wednesday of the month; 7pm in the Parish Resource Centre/Library. **The 6-week Program-theory and sharing** runs Wednesday evenings (6 consecutive weeks) from October 16th to November 20th at St. Michael Parish, Waterloo. Registration is required by October 1st for this program by contacting our Parish office 519-884-9311, or email [parish@stmichaelw.ca](mailto:parish@stmichaelw.ca).

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**Did You Know...** Children in our parishes benefit from the Catechetical Correspondence Program each year for ongoing religious education and preparation for the Sacraments. We need volunteers to support the program! If you are willing to accompany these children in their learning journey, please reach out to the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis at [catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com). Or please visit: <https://bit.ly/DOHCCC>

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**Exaltation of the Holy Cross (F) – September 14** - This liturgical feast has been celebrated since early times. In the 4th century, two churches in Jerusalem were dedicated to the cross on this day and the occasion was commemorated annually. Adopted by the Church in Rome during the 7<sup>th</sup> century, the feast commemorates both the dedication of the original Church of the Holy Sepulchre in 335 and Christ's victory over death.

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**St. Matthew (F) – September 21** - The apostle Matthew has two names in the Gospels: Matthew and Levi. Since only the name Matthew is entered in any scriptural mention of the 12 apostles, it is commonly held that his name was Levi until Jesus called him to be a disciple, then he was called Matthew, which means 'gift of God' in Aramaic. After Pentecost, Matthew worked in a church made up mostly of Jews who believed that Jesus was the Saviour. The Gospel bearing his name was composed around AD 85 and was written for Jewish-Christians. Tradition holds that after the Resurrection, Matthew preached in Ethiopia where he was martyred. He is a patron saint of customs officers and accountants.

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**“THE EARTH IS THE LORD’S AND  
 ALL THAT IS IN IT.”**

Psalm 2:1-1

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