

St. Joseph Church

Location: 920 Wellington St.
Port Elgin, ON



Masses this week:

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

Confessions

Thursday 10 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](#) or at both churches.

**November 24th,
2024**



“Today, as we mark the end of the liturgical year with a feast highlighting the kingship of Jesus, we can ask, what kind of king is Jesus?”

These days, we live in confusing times; many voices claim to speak the truth, but their words do not ring true.

This can cause us to question our faith, to have doubts about what is true, what is truth. “Fake news” is a phrase that can quickly heighten our anxiety levels.

As we gather in our Eucharistic communities this weekend, let us support one another in our belief that Jesus is Christ the King, and give thanks to God for Jesus’ true and humble leadership. Living with Christ



Sacraments:

Baptism: Contact the parish office for information.

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

Confirmation: will take place on Saturday 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.

Care of the Sick:

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.

NOVEMBER 24th, 2024

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Date	Day	Time	+ / *	Intention <small>+ Rest in Peace / * Intentions of</small>	Requested by	Diocese
25-Nov	Mon	--	*	Pastor's intentions	N/A	Rev. Pawel Stankiewicz
26-Nov	Tue	7pm	*	Michael Sebastian & Marjorie Dorzek	Gary Dorzek	Rev. Joseph Gregory Michel
27-Nov	Wed	9:30am	*	Zyla Thaqu	Dave & Mary Lepper	Fraternity of the Poor of Jesus Christ (p.j.c.)
28-Nov	Thu	9:30am	+	Joan Rankin	Joe & Mairead Keely	Rev. Wilson Andrade, C.S.C.
29-Nov	Fri	9:30am	*	Forgotten Souls in Purgatory	Gary Dorzek	Rev. Emmanuel Ralte, C.S.C.
30-Nov	Sat	5pm	+	Sam Waytowich	Gary & Gale Walker	Very Rev. David Walter
01-Dec	Sun	9am	*	People of the Parish	N/A	First Sunday of Advent
		11am	*	Irene Przybysz	Rick & Caroline Przybysz	

Divine Mercy Candle - Veronica & Scott VanVliet - **Divine Mercy Chaplet:** After the 5 p.m. Mass on Saturdays

Liturgy this week

Sat. Nov. 30 – St. Andrew, Apostle (F)

Sun. Dec. 1 – First Sunday of Advent

Vocations – If we dare to trust God with our lives, great things happen. Give God your total self for, when the end of times comes, the wise and those who work for justice will shine forever. Dedicate your life to furthering the reign of God. If you feel God may be calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon in His Church, call Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, 905-528-7988. Email

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Cookies & Carols –



Join us on the first weekend of Advent (Sunday, December 1st) for Cookies and Carols in Jubilee Hall after the 11 am Mass.

Your Hosts: The Rector Family.

Everyone is welcome!

World Day of Youth – November 24th Instituted in 1985 at the conclusion of the International Year of Youth and in conjunction with Saint John Paul II's World Youth Day gatherings, this observance has taken place on Palm Sunday. In 2020 Pope Francis transferred the date to the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. "Young people must say to the world: It is good to follow Jesus! You bring us the joy of faith and tell us that we must live the faith always with a young heart." (Pope Francis)

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

First Reconciliation and First Communion:

First Session:

November 29th at 6:30 p.m. Jubilee Hall

Confirmation:

Second Session:

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

RCIA:

Saturdays at 10 a.m. in the Boardroom.

After the Rite of Acceptance, they are starting the *Period of Catechumenate*.

This word comes from ancient Greek, the language of the early Church. Catechumen means "a person receiving instruction".

We will discuss most of the Church's main beliefs.

Thank you to all the liturgical ministers who welcome and mentor the Confirmands while, as part of their commitment to Christ, they want to participate more actively in the Sunday Masses by greeting, ushering, reading and singing.

Job Opportunity!

Paid position to remove snow from walkways at St. Joseph Church. Call the office for more details.



Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - Solemnity

Thirty-fourth or Last Sunday in Ordinary Time

Canadian Food for Children CFFC is collecting dried lentils and vegetable oil during the month of November.


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 coffee, fruit cocktail, peaches, hamburger helper.

St. Vincent de Paul Angel Tree – The SVP Angel

 Trees are up at both churches. Please purchase a gift card from Wal-Mart or Food Basics of \$25 for our families in need to buy a Christmas turkey and for a gift for children 17 years and younger. Please place the gift card on the SVP boxes or drop it at the collection basket during Masses before December 8th.

Knights of Columbus meet every first Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. – Jubilee Hall.

Church Collections this week

Regular contributions were \$3190, PAR \$1759/week. This amount includes annual contributions. Thank you for your generosity.

Rosary of the Seven Sorrows. To honour Our Lady of Guadalupe for the conclusion of Cardinal Burke's 9-month novena, Larry Romanowich (519-378-1417) is hosting an outdoor Seven Sorrows Rosary and candlelight procession, weather permitting. It starts at 5 p.m. on December 12th at 057002 Concession 11 of Georgian Bluffs (or Tara for Google maps). Dress appropriately, (0.5 km trail is through a forest) and bring a weatherproof candle/lantern/flashlight.

Hospitality Sunday. Join us for coffee, goodies and fellowship after the 11 a.m. Mass in Jubilee Hall. Your host this month: The Knights of Columbus.

Volunteer Spotlight: Our gardeners have been doing a clean up before the white snow comes. Our gratitude to Fran, Thomas, Lorna, Gale, Richard and Fern in St. Joseph, and to Steve & Kathy, Larry & Pat, Barbara, and Dave in St. Patrick.

We are grateful for all our Volunteers!

Ordinary Time ends this coming Saturday. The Liturgical Calendar is a cycle of seasons in the Roman Rite of the Catholic Church. It begins each year with Advent, the season of awaiting Christ's coming.

Advent begins the Sunday closest to the feast of St. Andrew. Therefore Advent always falls sometime between November 28 and December 3rd, and lasts until the Nativity of the Lord. The season always has somewhere between 21 and 28 days. The colours of Advent are Purple and Rose, with Rose being used only on the third Sunday of Advent.

The Advent Wreath began in the 16th century in Germany by Lutheran protestants and was later



adopted by the Catholic Church in Europe. Even before WWII, German immigrants brought this practice to America which is purely symbolic in nature.

Symbolic Meaning of:

The Circle – The unending love of God and the cyclical nature of time (cycles of time- like seasons)

Green Holly (pine)- Evokes life that resist the ravages of winter and time. It also symbolizes the hope of ETERNAL LIFE that all God's people share.

4 Candles- This marks off the time week by week revealing the approaching feast. As we prepare ourselves weekly and the number of candles lit increase so does our enlightenment.

We use three purple candles and one pink. The purple colour symbolizes the darkness after the fall and the need for repentance. Purple often replaced by royal blue represents hope and Mary.

Pink (rose colour) expresses the joyful anticipation of the birth and of Christ's coming at the end times. Gaudete Sunday is the Sunday of rejoicing, because the faithful have arrived at the midpoint of Advent, when their preparation is now half over and they are close to Christmas. The progressive lighting of the candles symbolizes the expectation and hope surrounding our Lord's first coming into the world and the anticipation of His second coming to judge the living and the dead.

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Christmas Potluck Dinner & Carols

Saturday, December 21 at 6 p.m.

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Ladies Christmas Party!

Thursday, December 12th

6 p.m. – Jubilee Hall

Tickets: \$40 cash

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at the weekend Masses at
St. Joseph Church
before December 6th



[50/50 draw to support the

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(Your Organizer Volunteers: Connie, Marjorie, Tatiana)



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