



Welcome to St. Joseph's Parish

We extend you a warm welcome to St. Joseph's Parish.

We pray that you feel at home.

Please introduce yourself and consider becoming a member of our Family of Faith.

Holy Week Schedule

Tuesday, April 9

7:00 pm **Marguerite Scott** – Pat Woode

Wednesday, April 10

8:30 am **Randy Fauteux** – Mary Epoch

Thursday, April 11

8:30 am **Sheila Turnnidge** – Michael Turnnidge
Special Intentions of Eldon & Hilda Richard

Friday, April 12

8:30 am **George Thibault** – Bob & Bonnie Koechl

Saturday, April 13

5:00 pm **Calvin Eastabrook** – Davida Cohen
Tom Cushing – Kathy Pronk & Family
Georgina Gillen – Jim Gillen
Gordon Taverner – Mary Epoch

Sunday, April 14

9:00 am **Mass for the People**
11:00 am **Special Intention**

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

April 9	Rev. Aleksander Mazur, S.A.C.
April 10	Rev. George Stortz
April 11	Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate
April 12	Rev. Rafal Tomon
April 13	Rev. Sutherland MacDonald C.R.
April 14	Rev. Raymond Reitzel, C.R.

Parish Offerings:

Your contributions for March 31 & April 1, 2018

This information was not available at the time of printing. It will appear in next week's bulletin.

Thank You



Second Sunday of Easter– April 8, 2018

Easter! Resurrection and new life; a new life shared from an earthen tomb. This has been the meaning of life for Christian people for two thousand years. There is nothing more secure, nothing more lasting. Come and share the thrill of proclaiming this truth through your life as a priest, religious or deacon. Contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton, at 905-528-7988 ext 2246 or vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

Liturgical Instruction:

Gathered into One

Each Parish in the Diocese has received a booklet from the Diocese of Hamilton entitled *Gathered into One* which offers instructions on how the Mass is to be conducted. This instruction will help to ensure that, as a Diocese, we are united in our celebration of the Sacred Liturgy. As stated by Bishop Crosby:

“... it is my privilege and duty as your Bishop, and therefore the first steward of the mysteries of God in the Church of Hamilton, to moderate, promote and safeguard the whole liturgical life of the Diocese, keeping in mind that what and how we celebrate has been given to us directly by the Lord himself. ... Because such a sacred work has been entrusted to our faithful care, I would like us, as a sacred duty, to always keep in mind what follows.”

The booklet then goes on to outline instructions on how we are to celebrate the Mass. It begins with General and Particular Norms; and then Instructions concerning Music; Communion; and other portions of the Mass follow. If you are involved in one of the ministries in the parish or are just interested in reviewing this, please pick up your copy in the Narthex. Quantities are limited.

**OUR
SCHEDULE!**

New Collection Counter Schedules

A new schedule is available for all Collection Counters. Please be sure to stop by the table in the Narthex and pick up your copy today.

Special CWL Event

All women of the Parish are invited to a Special CWL Event on Saturday, May 5th, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Hall, St. Joseph's Church. Come and learn about the League, celebrate our past endeavours and help determine our future. Sub-Division 141 of the CWL was formed in Fergus November 1922. We need your help now in order to be able to continue the rich tradition of the CWL in Fergus.

What's New in Religious Education in Our Catholic Schools?

Join Dr. Anne Jamieson, Director, Catechesis Office, Diocese of Hamilton on Tuesday, April 10th 1:00 to 3:00 pm at Holy Rosary Parish, Guelph. Seniors, grandparents, parents and interested parishioners are welcomed to come and learn about what our young people are learning about their faith in classrooms across Ontario. See the books, share the stories and hear the songs – It's a Good News story of sharing the Good News! This afternoon is sponsored by the Catholic Grandparent's Association.

Dr. Anne Jamieson was a Contributing Author and Specialist Reviewer for the ***Growing in Faith, Growing in Christ Program***, the new Religious Education Program in Ontario. The program was created for the Ontario Bishops, along with Western Canadian Bishops.

St. John's Bible - Psalms

Join us as we celebrate the arrival of the *Psalms* volume of The Saint John's Bible. Visit the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives (698 King St. West, Hamilton) to learn about the Bible and engage with this beautiful work of sacred art. The Library will be open **Sunday, April 15 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm and April 17, 18, 19 from 10 am to 4 pm.** Come and enjoy a sneak peek of this stunning volume! All 7 volumes will be on display during the April 29 *Sing for Joy Concert* at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. For more info visit: <http://hamiltondiocese.com/stjohnsbible/>



Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2018? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 10, 2018 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Please refer to the poster in the narthex of the church for information on how to register for the celebration, or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com.

Parenting Tip

Our children are treasures and bring us much joy! They are however, from a very young age, in need of our leadership to help them grow into competent and capable adults. When a child is two their behaviours and temper tantrums may seem funny and even cute, but by four those behaviours are no longer funny, by ten they are causing family tensions and by the teenage years may make it very difficult to parent. Praise your children, spend time with your children and model good behaviours, but remember to teach them self-control, manners and good behaviours from a very early age, which will make all the other parenting years less stressful.

Marriage Tip

The longer we are in a relationship with someone, the greater our knowledge of that person. When it comes to marriage, this can have both positive and negative impacts on our relationship. On the positive side, it helps us to recognize how our spouse is feeling, what their needs may be and what actions on our part can meet their needs! This intimate knowledge may have a more negative impact when we assume we understand and know what our spouse wants and/or needs without asking since we may be completely off the mark. No matter how well we know a person, we still need good communication in our relationships which requires speaking, listening, negotiating and, perhaps most importantly, not assuming! Ask for clarity, specify desires and speak the truth in love. All of these will draw you closer together.

Upcoming Events at St. Joseph Parish

April 7 & 8	Religious Articles for Sale after Masses
April 9, 16, 23, 30	Prayer Gathering, 9:00am, Adoration Chapel
April 9, 16, 23, 30	Bridge Club, 1:15pm
April 10	Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting, 7:30pm
April 21	First Communion, 1:30pm
April 24	Knights of Columbus General Meeting, 7:30 pm
April 25	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 9:00am
April 26	Thursday Club Pot Luck Luncheon noon
May 2	Caressant Care Mass, 11:00am
May 5	CWL Meeting 10:00 am
May 5 & 6	Religious Articles for Sale after Masses
May 6	Knights of Columbus Breakfast