



Welcome To
St. Joseph's Parish

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

We pray that you feel at home.
Please introduce yourself and
consider becoming a member of
our Family of Faith.

Prayer Intentions

Tuesday, February 22, 2022

7:00pm Vince Merry

Wednesday, February 23, 2022

8:30am **Special Intentions** – Diana VanDerPryt

Thursday, February 24, 2022

8:30am **Intentions of Angela Shepherd** – Elaine Scanlon

Friday, February 25, 2022

8:30am **Intentions of Dolores Schmidt** – Tove Schmidt
Dean Duffield – Margaret Duffield

Saturday, February 26, 2022

5:00pm **Special Intentions** – Bob & Molly Myers

Lionel Nijhuis – Dolores Schmidt

Deceased members of the Devos Family –
Diana VanDerPryt

Intentions of Fr. Ken Miskiewicz – Fern & Marie
Beaudry

Marcia LeBlanc – Doug & Marie McGilvray

Intentions of Angela Shepherd – Elaine Scanlon

Sunday February 27, 2022

9:00am **Intentions of the Parish**

11:00 am **Special Intentions**

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 20, 2022

The Lord Calls us to do God's Will. Pray that you may know God's Will in your life; especially, if you have the inclination that you are being called to the ordained or consecrated life. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton (905-528-7988).

Email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/



Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Feb. 21	Rev. Jerry Punnassery, C.M.I.
Feb. 22	Rev. Nishil Varghese, C.M.I.
Feb. 23	Society of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
Feb. 24	Very Rev. Cornelius O'Mahony, E.V.
Feb. 25	Rev. Felix Nwatu
Feb. 26	Rev. Piotr (Peter) Machnacki, S.A.C.



February 19 – 25, 2022

The candles at the **Shrine of the Virgin Mary**
burn for the **Intentions of Angela**
Shepherd, Alf & Laura Fischer.

A candle at the **Shrine of St. Joseph** burns
for the **Intentions of Alf & Laura Fischer.**

Update on Repairs to Church Windows

As you may have noticed, plywood is covering the exterior of one of the stained-glass windows in the Church. Unfortunately, one of the outer clear glass panes cracked, and therefore must be replaced. The glass manufacturer is in the process of making a replacement but given the unusual shape of the window, it will not be a quick fix. There is also a window in the hall being replaced. Thankfully, the cost of both will largely be covered by insurance.

Formation Workshops

The Liturgy Office is pleased to offer in-person formation at St. Paul the Apostle Parish, 2265 Headon Forest Road, Burlington, ON on Saturday, March 5th, 2022 for the following two Ministries:

Minister of the Word 10am to 12:30pm

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion

1:30pm to 4pm.

Registration is required as space is limited to 40 participants at each workshop. In keeping with the Government of Ontario Covid-19 protocols, we require all participants to adhere to social distance mask wearing protocols while attending the workshop. Please follow the link below to access the desired registration: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/liturgy/>

If you require further information, please contact the Liturgy Office at liturgyoffice@hamiltondiocese.com.

Marriage Support

Is your marriage experience more trouble than joy, feeling stagnant or disconnected and/or causing you worries? The solution is Retrouvaille - a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works well for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend begins March 13, 2022. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com.

Join us February 24, 2022 7:00 – 9:00 PM for “After the Storm: Building the Pope Francis Village”, part of the Reel Justice Film Festival!

The film documents the transformational journey of 550 families in Tacloban, Philippines following the devastation of Super Typhoon Haiyan in 2013. In the aftermath of this natural disaster, Development and Peace – Caritas Canada, supporting local organizations, transformed a piece of land into new homes, a new community, and new lives. This documentary is a celebration of the fruits of your solidarity with our brothers and sisters in the Global South. The **Reel Justice Film Festival** is a partnership between Development & Peace and the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives. Visit us online at <https://reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/> to view our 2022 schedule or to secure your spot at any of our virtual screenings!

ReStart

Starting over after separation or divorce with support, care and tools for your journey. We invite you to check out the Diocesan website at: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/divorce-separation.php> to see the programs we offer and to find out dates of the new program for 2022. If you have questions, call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249

How to Prepare for Lent

You might think, *how do I prepare myself for this season? What needs to happen within so that I can practice with more integrity and intention whatever I'm doing on the outside?* In the days prior to Lent, try one or more of these suggestions.

Ask God, every day, **“What does my soul need?”** Just ask, and wait quietly. Because we're very good at fooling ourselves about how we're doing, it might take several days of praying this question before we're truly open and humble enough to know the answer.

Ask God, every day, **“What about my life makes you happy?”** Yes, when God looks at your life, some parts of it—perhaps many aspects of it—bring joy to God's heart. Think of how your children or grandchildren or other people close to you make you happy. God is in relationship with you, which means that your sins grieve God's heart, but also that your growth and love and freedom and kindness bring joy to God of the universe. Again, you will probably need to pray this a few times before you are willing to consider that you give God pleasure, that you make God happy in any way. Stick with this little prayer and keep listening.

Tell God, and yourself, every day, **“I want to be open to the graces of this Lenten season.”** Maybe you're not open right now, or you're not as open and willing as you'd like to be or think you should be. What else is new? We can always open our lives a bit more, let go of more stuff, listen better, and do more quickly and passionately what we know helps nurture God's kingdom on earth.

This is a beginning: three short and simple prayer starters to ready yourself for the holy season.

By **Vinita Hampton Wright**
To see the full article, please visit
IgnatianSpirituality.com