



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, March 8, 2022

7:00pm **Andy Anderson** – Mac & Gail Brown

Wednesday, March 9, 2022

8:30am **Teresa Lehman** – Knights of Columbus

7:00pm **Stations of the Cross**

Thursday, March 10, 2022

8:30am **The living and deceased members of the
Kowalchuk Family**

Friday, March 11, 2022

8:30am **Tony Devos** – Diana VanDerPryt

Saturday, March 12, 2022

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

Intentions of Diane Smart & Family

Intentions of Chris McCabe – Mac & Gail Brown

Vince Merry – Mac & Gail Brown

Helen McDonnell – Davida Cohen

Deceased Family members of the Devos Family

– Diana VanDerPryt

Sunday March 13, 2022

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

11:00 am **Special Intentions**

First Sunday of Lent - March 6, 2022

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the life-commitment God has prepared for you? 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

March 7	Rev. Patrick Ohl.
March 8	Rev. Jerzy Tomon
March 9	Sisters of St. Joseph of Cluny (S.J.C.)
March 10	Rev. Francisco Sordo
March 11	Rev. David Perrin
March 12	Very Rev. Wojciech Kuzma



Good Friday Fish and Chips

After a 2-year break, the Knights of Columbus will once again be serving their popular Fish and Chip dinners from 4:00 to 6:00 on Good Friday (April 15th) at St. Joseph's Parish Hall in Fergus. We will continue offering a choice of oven-baked, or traditional deep fried, breaded haddock fish portions. Fish and Chip dinners, including fries, coleslaw, juice and coffee or tea will be \$12.00 for one piece of fish and \$17.00 for two pieces of fish. A side serving of one piece of fish will be \$7.00 and an order of fries only will be \$5.00. Pop or bottled water will be \$1.00 each. Take out will be available. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending as we raise funds to support our Knights Charities in the Parish and Community. Young people, 14 and over, who are available to volunteer to help set up, serve, bus tables etc. are encouraged to contact Don Cassidy at 519-843-2088.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

St. Vincent de Paul Tax Receipt Error!!!

An error was made in the printing of the St. Vincent Tax Receipts – the 2020 receipts were printed instead of 2021. The corrected receipts are dated March 2, 2022 and state “during the year ending 2021”. Any receipts picked up prior to March 2nd are incorrect and a new receipt has been issued. They can be picked up at the Church for one more week. For any receipts not yet picked up, the error has been corrected. Apologies for the inconvenience!

St. Vincent de Paul Monthly Meetings

The monthly meeting of St. Vincent de Paul Society will now take place on the last Wednesday of each month in St. Joseph's Hall at 4pm. The next meeting will take place on **Wednesday, March 30th at 4pm**. See you there!

40 Days for Life –

Mass with Bishop Lobsinger

On **Thursday, March 24 at 7 pm**, Bishop Lobsinger will be visiting the Basilica of Our Lady for a special Mass for 40 Days for Life. 40 Days for Life is a time of prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil to end abortion. The prayer vigil is taking place daily from March 2 to April 10 in downtown Guelph, and all are encouraged to sign up to pray. Visit 40daysforlife.com/guelph for more details, or call 519-836-6311.

Parenting Tip Of The Month

Lent is a time of reflection for all Catholics and a perfect season to help children understand why we engage in prayer, works of charity, care for all and practising self-control, since all of these can bring us closer to God. Spend time on your Lenten journey as a family by attending Mass and discussing, in simple language, the readings you hear. Decide as a family on prayers and reflections to engage in each day of Lent and together look at how your family might use their resources to give to others. Your children can bring hope to the hearts of others during Lent and their spiritual journey will be enhanced by your presence and guidance. Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

Marriage Tip Of The Month

The season of Lent is a perfect time to reflect on how we are living our lives according to God's call to discipleship and vocation. The vocation of marriage is an essential call since the Sacrament of Marriage is meant to be the visible sign or God's invisible love to the world. Lent then, is a perfect time to examine what you are bringing to your vocation, to see if forgiveness is readily available when needed and to contemplate whether you might make changes to better fulfill your call to marriage. As well, consider praying with your spouse, reflecting on a short Bible passage daily and working on holding anger during Lent, since all of these will strengthen your bond of love and bring you feelings of joy as the Easter season draws near. .

Lent and Easter Schedule

March 9 – April 13 – 7:00pm Stations of the Cross

April 12 - 7:30pm – 8:30 pm Confessions

April 13 – 9:00am – 10:00am, and

7:30pm – 8:30pm - **Confessions**

April 14 - 7:00 pm only – Holy Thursday

April 15 – 11:00am and 3:00pm – Good Friday

April 15 – 4pm-6pm Knights of Columbus Fish & Chips

April 16 – 8:00pm – Easter Vigil

April 17 – 9:00am & 11:00am Easter Sunday

Lent 2022 Virtual Resources

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis and the Liturgy Office have prepared resources for families for the Lenten season. Visit www.hamiltondiocese.com and click on **Lent 2022 Virtual Resources** on the Diocesan web page. A few of these resources are highlighted below.

1. Liturgy of the Word for Ash Wednesday with His Excellency, Bishop Wayne Lobsinger prepared with an elementary school participant in mind. This can be celebrated virtually in a classroom or at home.
2. Tips for families celebrating the Lenten rituals of prayer, fasting and almsgiving at home.
3. Resources available for purchase from the Diocese office or free on-line links to children's activities, literature for teens, and adult resources.

Prayer For Ukraine

O beloved Advocate and Commander of Heaven's army of angels, Saint Michael the Archangel, you remain always the faithful, courageous defender of all that is good and righteous in solidarity with God's Perfect Will for the living Body of Christ. We implore you to repulse the unprovoked, diabolical, Russian attacks on Ukrainian innocents, especially our brothers and sisters in Christ, who stand in harms way. We pray you thwart the threats and attacks of the Russian aggressors as you did so in your battle with Lucifer and his fallen angels. Protect and vindicate the people of Ukraine in their battle against these powers of darkness—the wicked principalities and powers controlling the Russian forces—that threaten their Nation and families with suffering and annihilation. In Jesus' Most Holy Name we pray. Amen

Mother Mary, Queen of Peace
Pray for your Ukrainian children

Father Saint Joseph, Terror of Demons,
Protect the Ukrainian people from Evil

Posted on line by Michael Maxwell of EWTN