



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, May 17, 2022

7:00pm **Ben Rider** – Paul & Cathy Goetz

Wednesday, May 18, 2022

8:30am **Special Intentions**

Thursday, May 19, 2022

8:30am **Art Missiere** – Dave & Pat Missiere

Friday May 20, 2022

8:30am **Pat Morgan**

Saturday, May 21, 2022

5:00pm **Intentions of Berney & Gwen Sytsma** – John &
Jean Paul

Joanne Brown – Frank Rider & the 9 o'clock Choir

Fr. Peter Furgivele – Tove Schmidt

Antonio Carvello – Nativity Santos

Ben Rider – Colette Brodie

Sunday May 22, 2022

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

11:00 am **Special Intentions**

Fifth Sunday of Easter – May 15, 2022

The new commandment of love is required of everyone who follows the risen Lord. How do you fulfill the commandment? 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

May 16	Rev. Melvin Pinto, C.R.
May 17	Rev. Mark Sullivan
May 18	Seminarians
May 19	Rev. Peter Tuyen Nguyen
May 20	Rev. Stephen Gilbert
May 21	Very Rev. Lukasz Kopaniak, S.A.C.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul **Annual Report 2021**

We are happy to bring you the ST. Vincent de Paul Annual Report for 2021. Attached to this bulletin is a copy for you to read. Again, we are very grateful for your generous gifts!

Indigenous Reconciliation Fund

This weekend we will be collecting donations for the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund. Envelopes are still available in the Narthex if you would like to make a contribution. The funds will be collected for the next two weeks and then forwarded to the Diocese. If you have any questions, please take a moment to read Bishop Crosby's letter and List of Frequently Asked Questions that accompanied last weekend's bulletin.

CYO Camp Brebeuf is Hiring

CYO Camp Brébeuf in Rockwood, ON is hiring teenagers and young adults as camp counsellors for this summer. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about employment at this popular Catholic summer camp, please visit www.campbrebeuf.ca/employment for more information.



Michael House seeking **Summer Interns**

Michael House has advised that they are wanting to fill a couple Intern positions. You can visit www.chaelhouse.ca/get-involved to learn more about the positions and how to apply.

Save the Date – June 18-19

Love in the Kitchen

Join Chalice on Corpus Christi weekend this **June 18-19** for a free online cooking and theology event! Meet more than 20 Catholic speakers whose live demonstrations, talks, and discussions are going to help us connect our spirits to our stomachs. Topics will cover a wide range of interests, including Catholic takes on cooking, baking, sharing meals, culture, nutrition, body image, wine, and mixology. The cherry on top: join us live on Saturday night (June 18) for a free cooking class with Fr. Leo Patalinghug of Plating Grace Ministries!

Bonus podcast: Listen to the latest episode of **Stories from the Table** on Spotify or Apple Podcasts, featuring an interview with Fr. Leo himself!

Canadian Food for Children

Thank you for your continued support for Canadian Food for Children. All clothing, as well as shoes, clean and in good repair, for children and adults, is always appreciated. Especially needed are food items such as rice, pasta, canned fish and meat. Thanks so much for your generosity in remembering those in great need.

Office of Youth Ministry is pleased to present Accompanying Forward An Afternoon with The Roy Petitfils

on May 27 at 1 pm for a virtual conversation about accompanying young people as they try to navigate their new realities and their mental health. Roy is a Catholic author, speaker and psychotherapist with more than 25 years of experience ministering to youth and young adults in parishes, dioceses, and schools. Registration can be found by [clicking here](#) or on our Diocesan website under Youth Ministers Events and Resources.

The Ignatius Jesuit Centre will be hosting an 8-Day Retreat on Listening to Indigenous Voices

May 18 @ 7:30 pm - May 26 @ 1:00 pm. Facilitated by Shasha Sky and Dave Skene from [White Owl Native Ancestry Assoc.](#) in collaboration with Victoria Blanco, Mark Hathaway, and Trevor Scott, SJ, from the Jesuit Forum for Social Faith and Justice. The group gathers to acknowledge Truth and Reconciliation Call to Action #60, and educate on the ways we can honour and respect Indigenous spirituality and the history of residential schools in Canada. Cost and accommodation information can be found at www.ignatiusquelph.ca.



Mowing and Yard Work Help Needed

A senior couple in our Parish is looking for help in maintaining their yard and grass cutting over the summer. A great summer job for an industrious young person! If you or someone you know is interested, please call Hilda at 519-787-0614

Church Kneelers

We've noticed some of the kneelers in the Church coming apart recently and would like to ask for your help. Surprisingly enough, it seems to be happening when people rest their feet on the kneeler when the kneeler is in the upright/raised position. The kneelers are fitted together, rather than glued or nailed and come apart when feet rest on the underside. Please help preserve the life of our kneelers by using them only for kneeling. Thanks for your help!

Do No Harm Webinar Series

hosted by the Sisters of St. Joseph and the Collaborative Network to End Exploitation "Frontline workers, survivors, and other experts share insight into the unintentional harms and impacts of some human trafficking practices and policies in this weekly webinar series. The series begins Thursday, May 5 at 2 p.m. (EDT) and recurs on Thursday each week until June 9. Registration information can be found on the Sisters of St. Joseph (Toronto) website, www.csj-to.ca.

A Prayer to Love One Another

Bless us with Love, O Merciful God;
That we may Love as you Love!
That we may show patience, tolerance,
Kindness, caring and love to all!
Give me knowledge; O giver of Knowledge,
That I may be one with my Universe and Mother Earth!
O Compassionate One, grant compassion unto us;
That we may help all fellow souls in need!
Bless us with your Love O God.
Bless us with your Love.
Amen.

ST VINCENT de PAUL ANNUAL REPORT 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

I bring you greetings from your representatives of The Society of St. Vincent de Paul from St. Joseph and St. Mary's parishes.

President : Marie Beaudry
Past President: Harry Cullen
Treasurer: Marlene Buczek
Secretary: Jane Thatcher
Spiritual Director: Deacon Trevor Klein

Active Members : Fern Beaudry Lisa Humber Ken Morin Betty Zettel
Gail Brown Ed Janssen Sheila Rice-Simpson
Joyce Cotter Lynne Janssen Gwen Sytsma
Peter Dunning George Kron Elaine Taylor

In 1833, a brilliant young law student in Paris named Frederic Ozanam was so appalled by the conditions of the poor that he and about 6 other students formed a society dedicated to meeting the needs of the poor with food, clothing, comfort and spiritual guidance.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society spread at an incredible rate and now functions in more than 120 countries around the world. About the years 1999-2000 a conference was established in the parishes of Fergus / Elora dedicated to helping anyone in need without regard to colour, race, religion.

These past two years and some, as you know, have been very challenging! We have had to come up with innovative ways of continuing Frederick Ozanam's work. We were fortunate to have been able to make arrangements with the Food Bank to hand out our food vouchers . Instead of home visits we have been making phone visits to all our clients . We bring the vouchers to the Food Bank and the clients are instructed to go and pick them up. We hope to be able to resume home visits in the Fall, depending on the situation with Covid.

You, the parishioners of St Joseph and of St. Mary have been extremely generous, amid these difficult times and we thank you most sincerely! In 2021, you have given us a total amount of \$31,434.35 for which we are very grateful and appreciative!

We have made phone calls to 82 homes with a total of 56 children.

We paid out in food vouchers for a total of \$13,077.48 (Zehrs and Freshco)

Personal hygiene items to Food Bank \$517.96

Particular Council in Guelph \$2,500.00

Guelph Homeless (Stepping Stone) \$773.85 winter clothing

Autism Program in Fergus \$2,000.00

Mission Store, furniture for clients \$484.72

We also pay a share of our collection to the governing body of St. Vincent de Paul Council in Guelph, \$2,064.00

Alzheimers Society \$200.00

Back rent for a client \$3,300

Food Bank donation \$500.00 for cereal and \$100.00 to a needy family for clothes

Coats for adults \$1,364.70

Periodically, Father Ken and Father Emmanuel from Elora help transient people in need of food, we issued them gift cards for \$100.00 from Tim Horton.
We mailed out 40 vouchers valued at \$100.00 each to our regular clients at Christmas .

At this time, we would like to thank Al Evans, Leo Givens and Martin Saunders who are no longer active. Their many years of service and dedication to our Society have been much appreciated .The members of our two parishes are a vibrant group, however, we are ageing faster than we would like to and therefore some of us are slowing down mentally and especially physically. Blame it on Covid! We have lost two active members due to them relocating elsewhere. If we are to resume Home Visits in the Fall , we are sincerely appealing to our fellow parishioners, who may be newly retired or anyone else that can fit in some time in, to consider joining us to ensure the continuation of the work that Brother Ozanam began in 1833. We meet every last Wednesday of the month at 4:00 P.M. in the Parish Hall. If you are interested, you can speak with me after Mass, or contact the church secretary between 9:00 and 5:00 Monday to Thursday and she will put you in contact with someone in the group.

We sincerely ask that you keep us in your prayers that we may continue our work with humility and compassion for our clients.
Thank you for your time and God Bless!