

From the Pastor's Desk

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Author, Doug Schmidt, in his book entitled: *The Prayer Of Revenge: Forgiveness In The Face Of Injustice*, shares some of his struggles with a hostile mother who was a manic-depressive. Life is his home was like walking on eggshells. Yet God, in God's graciousness, caused other mothers to come into the lives of this author and his sister, to mentor them in a loving and compassionate ways. Their singular message to these children was this: "Never let your suffering create a long-lasting sense of entitlement in your hearts." Sure it is okay to pamper yourself a bit when you have been hurt, to rest for a while, perhaps to regroup, but do not allow this time of retreat to become a permanent state. If you do, your suffering will produce a well-entrenched but false sense of entitlement that will only end up causing you to hurt those who genuinely care about you.

One of life's greatest challenges is not to allow history to repeat itself. Many people are a 'chip off the old block' and literally repeat the failings of their parents and grandparents. On our faith journey, let us pray that we will not let our past hurts determine who we are today or will be tomorrow. Let us learn to forgive and forget and let God take care of the rest. "*If God is for us, who is against us?*" (Romans 8:31b)

May we let go of our past hurts, take control of our present life, and let God led us to a glorious future in heaven.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: "The Rosary is the storehouse of countless blessings." ~ Pope St. John Paul

LAUGHTER GOOD FOR THE SOUL: Father O'Grady was saying his goodbyes to the parishioners after the Sunday morning Mass as he always does when Mary Clancy came up to him in tears. "What's bothering you so, dear?" inquired Farther O'Grady. "Oh, Father, I've got terrible news." Replied Mary. "Well, what is it, Mary?" "Well, my husband, passed away last night, Father." "Oh, Mary," said the priest, "that's terrible. Tell me Mary, did he have any last requests?" "Well, yes he did Father," replied Mary. "What did he ask, Mary?" Mary replied, "He said, 'Please, Mary, put down the gun!'"



Welcome to St. Joseph's Parish

We extend a warm welcome to all.

We pray that you feel at home.

Please introduce yourself and

Consider becoming a member of

Our family of faith.

Prayer Intentions

Tuesday, October 18, 2022

7:00pm Jan Wernaart – Michael & Pamela DaMaren

Wednesday, October 19, 2022

8:30am Intentions of Lorraine Mongeon & Family –
Tove Schmidt

Thursday, October 20, 2022

8:30am Jennifer Noss – Jim & Diane Robertson
Breege Kelly

Friday, October 21, 2022

8:30am Ted Idzik – Jane Idzik

Saturday, October 22, 2022

5:00pm Robert Rogers – Robin Rogers
Intentions of Maria Fatima Nunez & Family
Intentions of Casey Noss – Jim & Diane
Robertson

Sunday October 23, 2022

9:00am Intentions of the Parish

11:00am Robert Landoni – Grace Robinson

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

October 17	Rev. Robert M.F. Kiffman
October 18	Rev. Wallace Metcalf
October 19	Congregation of the Holy Cross
October 20	Rev. Msgr. Theodore Slaman
October 21	Rev. Vincent Kim Van Toan
October 22	Rev. Donald Wilhelm

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Oct. 16, 2022

God will answer the prayers of those who cry out. Ask for men and women to respond to the call to service as priests, deacons, religious brothers and sisters. If God is calling you contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton (905-528-7988).

Email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com
www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/



Change of Office Hours

Effective immediately, the Church office will now be open on Friday mornings 9:00am to 12:00pm

REMINDER Grade 2 Parent Meeting October 19, 2022

A reminder that there is a crucial, parents only, meeting on Wednesday, October 19, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the church proper. At this meeting, Fr. Robert will discuss times and dates of the celebrations. First Reconciliation and First Communion are open to all baptized Roman Catholic students. First Reconciliation will take place in the Advent Season and First Communion in the Easter Season.

Did You Know...? Children in our Parishes benefit from the Catechetical Correspondence Program each year for ongoing religious education and preparation for the Sacraments. We need volunteers to support the program! If you are willing to accompany these children in their learning journey, please reach out to the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis at catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com. To learn more about the Catechetical Correspondence Program, please visit: <https://bit.ly/DOHCCC>

Parish Bazaar Update

Dear Parishioners - We know that over the past couple of years, due to Covid restrictions, many people were home, giving them the opportunity to catch up on their knitting, sewing and craft projects. We would greatly appreciate if you would share your talent with us and donate some of your creations to the Parish Fall Bazaar.

A cut-off date of October 22nd has been set for these donations, plus items intended for the Toonie table, and Silent Auction items. This will give us time to organize everything the week before the Bazaar. Donations for the bake table can be dropped off on October 28th or early on the day of the Bazaar.

St. Joseph Guelph CWL Christmas Bazaar

Date: Saturday, November 12th, 2022

Time: 10:00 A.M. To 2:00 P.M.

Come Out, Bring A Friend And Enjoy Baked Goods, Attic Treasures, Silent Auction, Craft Table, Main Draw - Cash Prizes, Santa Photos, Touch And Take Gift Table And A Delicious Hot Lunch!

All Souls Day Mass at Marymount Cemetery

The annual All Souls Day Mass at Marymount Cemetery in Guelph will take place in Our Lady Immaculate Mausoleum on Saturday, October 29, 2022 at 11:00am. The principal celebrant will be Most Reverend Wayne Lobsinger, Auxiliary Bishop of Hamilton. All are welcome.

Canada Needs Our Lady Prayer Vigil

You are invited to join us for the *Canada Needs Our Lady* Canada-wide Rosary Rally on Saturday, October 15 at the corner of Strathallan and St. David St. North (corner by St. Joseph's Church). Praying the rosary will take place between noon and 1 pm approximately. Please join us in prayer to our Lady with the intention that Canada will adopt godly laws that uphold righteousness and that God will bless our nation and restore it to its Christian roots. Any questions can be directed to Pat Woode at 519-787-4683.

Knights of Columbus Bottle Drive

The next Knights of Columbus Bottle Drive will be Saturday October 15, from 10:00am - 2:00pm with drop off at St. Joseph's Parish in Fergus, thanking you in advance for your support for our community charities.

Thursday Club 2022

We are happy to welcome you back to a Modified Thursday Club! We are planning an informal get - together on Thursday, October 20 at 1:30 in the Parish Hall. Refreshments will be served and this will be a great opportunity to renew our friendship with our fellow parishioners! Please plan to attend! New parishioners are most welcome! If more information is needed call Marie at 226-383-4195.

Grief Relief

Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? Are you wondering if your feelings are normal? You are not alone! The Diocese of Hamilton has grief programs to help. Find out more on the Diocesan website at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/grief-support>, or call Teresa at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250. We have programs running in both Waterloo and Hamilton this fall..

Upcoming Parish Events

October 14	St. Joseph School Mass, 9:30am
October 15	Knights of Columbus Bottle Drive 10-2
October 15	Canada Needs Our Lady Prayer Vigil Noon to 1:00pm
October 20	Thursday Club, 1:30, St. Joseph Hall
October 25	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting, 4pm
October 25	Knights of Columbus General Meeting after 7:00pm Mass
October 26	Office Closed - Educational Workshop
October 29	St. Joseph Parish Bazaar, 10am - 2pm