

St. Joseph's Parish

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SECRETARY: Mrs. Lori Cipparrone

CUSTODIAN: Mr. Kevin Shea

SACRISTANS: Brigitte Quinke & Catherine Cyr.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Parish Secretary will be available
Mon - Thurs 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday-Friday 8:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Fridays from 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.
Saturdays from 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

EUCCHARISTIC DEVOTIONS

All week 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. in the chapel all day

PASTORAL CARE FOR THE SICK

If you know of a parishioner sick at home or in hospital, please contact the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated on the 1st Sunday of the month at 12:30 p.m. Please speak with with Deacon Trevor Klein after Sunday Masses before setting date for Baptism. There are no baptisms during Lent.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

We encourage everyone who regularly attends St. Joseph's to become a registered member. Please fill out a registration form found at the main door and deposit it in the collection basket.

Sunday offering envelopes are available on request.

Please inform the parish office of any changes of address or telephone number.

PRIESTHOOD/RELIGIOUS LIFE

If you think God may be calling you to the vocation of Priesthood or Religious Life, please feel free to speak with Fr. Robert Héту or contact our Diocesan Vocation Director at 1-905-528-7988.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The Diocese of Hamilton requires one year notice before a marriage date can be set. A Marriage Preparation Weekend is also required.

From the Pastor's Desk

Fr. Robert Héту



A wife answers the phone. Shortly afterwards she hands the phone to her husband saying, "Let me put my husband on. He is in charge of all our bad decision-making." Making decisions is not always easy. There are good decisions and bad decisions, good choices, and bad choices. How would we describe our decision-making process? How do we handle bad decisions? Do we take responsibility and own up to our mistakes or do we try to find a scapegoat and blame someone else?

Today, we celebrated the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ also referred to *Corpus Christi*. The Eucharist is "the source and summit of the Christian life" (LG 11). In the Eucharistic liturgy and our prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, we encounter God's presence in personal and profound ways. Yet, the Eucharist is also social. The Eucharist, celebrated as a community, teaches us about human dignity, calls us to the right relationship with God, ourselves, and others, invites us to community and solidarity, and sends us on a mission to help transform our communities, neighbourhoods, and world. Church teaching, rooted in both Scripture and Tradition, emphasizes both the personal and social natures of the Eucharist. This guide highlights St. Paul VI, St. John Paul II, late Pope Benedict XVI and Pope Francis's writings about the social nature of the Eucharist. Their words challenge and move us to encounter Jesus in the Eucharist in ways both personal and social.

As of this weekend the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Bishop Crosby has lifted the dispensation of the obligation to participate at Sunday Mass. We are all encouraged, if we are healthy and physically able, to gather in person once again as a believing community, to honour and praise the Lord. As individuals and as a community, let us make the good decision, the good choice of deepening our love for and relationship with Jesus in his Most Holy Body and Blood by our faithful participation at the Lord's Day Mass and our worthy reception of Jesus in the Eucharist. Remember that we are what we eat. Let us be another Christ to one another.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

"Let us look directly at the Son, instead of being blinded, we will see more clearly." ~ Fr. Robert Héту
(On the power of Eucharistic Adoration.)



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 June 13, 2023

7:00pm **Margaret Kenny** – Molly Myers

Wednesday, June 14, 2023

8:30am **The Sick of our Parish and their Families**

2:00pm **Caressant Care Mass**

Thursday June 15, 2023

8:30am **Intentions of Alf & Laura Fischer** – Don & Barbara Cassidy

Friday, June 16, 2023

No Mass

Saturday, June 17, 2023

5:00pm **Intentions of Bonnie Koechl** – Pam Horricks

Intentions of Margot Hennessey – Fern & Marie Beaudry

Patrick Raftis – Mary Epoch

Jeffrey Robson – Terri Wellstead

Sunday June 18, 2023

9:00am **Margaret Kenny** – St. Joseph Choir

11:00am **Intentions of the Parish**

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

June 12	Rev. Bernard Carroll, S.J.
June 13	Rev. William Clarke S.J.
June 14	Discalced Fathers O.C.D.
June 15	Rev. Eric Jensen
June 16	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus – World Day of Prayer for Priests
June 17	Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Body and Blood of Christ - June 11, 2023

Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink to nourish us on our journey towards the Kingdom. May we be faithful to him on our journey as married, single, ordained, religious or consecrated persons. If God is calling you to the priesthood, diaconate religious or consecrated life, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

LAUGHTER GOOD FOR THE SOUL

Billy had been misbehaving and was sent to his room. After a while he emerged and informed his father that he had thought it over and then said a prayer. "Fine", said his pleased father. "If you ask God to help you not misbehave, God will help you." "Oh, I didn't ask God to help me not misbehave," said Billy. "I asked God to help you put us with me."



Walking Retreat with Deacon Trevor

Join CWL members of the Parish for an evening of reflection as we walk a local trail with our Deacon.

Who: All ladies welcome!

When: **Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at 6:00**

Where: We will meet at Forfar Park on Gartshore St. in Fergus For more information, contact Sue at sbeatty14@gmail.com

CWL General Meeting and Potluck Lunch June 17 at 11:00am

All members of the CWL are encouraged to participate in the June meeting at which time a presentation mandated by the National Council entitled, "**Unity Outreach**" will be presented. This is your chance to give your input for **future Strategic Planning**. Every voice counts, so come out and give your opinions. **Bring along your favourite dish for the potluck lunch to follow, and an item for the Food Bank.** Hope to see you there!

CWL Summer Food Drive for Centre Wellington Foodbank - June 17-July 2

CWL members visited the Centre Wellington Foodbank last week and met with the Food Bank Manager, Curt McQueen. It was brought to our attention that they are in need of food items at this time of the year. The CWL will set up containers in the Narthex and we invite you to consider donating the items that are in most need, listed below.

Most Needed Items: Pasta sauce, Canned Meat (Salmon, Tuna), Canned tomatoes, Apples, Oranges, Canned fruit, Pudding cups, Crackers, Hamburger/Tuna Helper, Pasta Side Dishes, Carrots, Onions, Shampoo, Conditioner.

The donations will be delivered to the food bank on July 4th. Thank-you for your generosity

June 21, 2023 - National Indigenous Peoples Day

We are invited to gather in prayer with CWL members throughout Canada by joining in a Rosary of Reconciliation webinar at 6:00 pm CDT. Register for the webinar at cwl.ca or through this

link attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6782654566473493087.

A Service of Evening Prayer

The Lutheran-Anglican-Roman Catholic Dialogue (LARC) invites you to join them as they celebrate together in prayer and fellowship! The Evening Prayer will take place on **Monday, June 12, 2023 at 7:30pm** at All Saints Lutheran-Anglican Church, 210 Silvercreek Pkwy N., Guelph N1H 7P8. Refreshments will follow in the Church Hall.

St. Joseph School Picnic - June 15 at 5:00

in the school yard. Please visit the CWL table at the school picnic! Raffle tickets for the St. Joseph's Parish Bazaar will be on sale!

Are You Interested in Starting an Educational Fund For Your Children to Fund Post Secondary Opportunities?

If your answer is yes, but you believe that you cannot afford it, the Canada Learning Bond is for you. If your net income is \$50,179.00 or less and you have children born since 2004, you can qualify for free government money to set up a fund for your child(ren). For more details, please leave your contact information with the Parish Office and a volunteer from the St. Vincent de Paul Society will contact you, explain the details and assist you with your application.



Corpus Christi Family Prayer

*Jesus, Bread of Life,
feed our faith,
help us to share fairly,
to find joy in our differences,
and to love one another
as you have loved us.*

Amen.

Upcoming Parish Events

June 13	Knights of Columbus Executive Mtg. 7:30 pm
June 14	Caressant Care Mass 2pm
June 14	Walking Retreat with Deacon Trevor, 6pm, Forfar Park on Gartshore St.
June 16, 19, 20 & 21	No Weekday Masses
June 17	CWL General Meeting and Potluck 11am
June 17	CWL Summer Food Drive ends July 2
June 22	St. Joseph School Closing Mass 9:20am
June 27	Knights of Columbus General Meeting 7:30pm

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