## St. Joseph's Parish

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PASTOR: Fr. Robert Hétu, P.P.

**DEACON:** Rev. Mr. Trevor Klein

**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.

#### **EUCHARISTIC 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 Hétu 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 Hétu

Today, we celebrate the solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is a basic doctrine of Christian faith. We understand it not with our heads but with our hearts. This mystery teaches us that there are three distinct persons in one God, sharing the same divine nature, co-equal and co-eternal. Our mind cannot grasp this doctrine, which teaches that 1+1+1 = 1 and not 3. Yet, we believe in this mystery because Jesus, who is God, clearly taught it, the evangelists recorded it, the fathers of the church tried to explain it and the councils of Nicaea and Constantinople defined it as a dogma of Christian faith.

The oldest doctrinal formulation of the Church's belief in the Trinity is found in the Apostles' Creed, which has served both as the basis of instruction for catechumens and as the baptismal confession of faith since the second century. Later, the Nicene Creed, originating at the Council of Nicaea in AD 325, stated the doctrine more explicitly. This creed was introduced into our Western liturgy by the regional council of Toledo in AD 589. God has revealed to us three separate functions that are carried out by the Three Persons. It is proper to attribute to God the Father the work of creation, to God the Son the work of redemption and to God the Holy Spirit the work of sanctification. Our knowledge of God as Trinity is made possible by God, who has chosen to reveal Godself as Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

On this Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, it is important for us to remember that all prayers in the Church begin in the Name of the Holy Trinity and end glorifying the Trinity. It is important for us to remember that all Sacraments are administered (we are baptized, confirmed, anointed, our sins are forgiven, our marriage blessed, and our bishops, priests and deacons ordained) in the name of the Holy Trinity. It is important for us to remember that we bless ourselves, and ordained ministers blesses us, in the Name of the Holy Trinity.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: "A theological mystery is a hidden reality... a truth that human beings cannot discover except from revelation and that, even after revelation, exceeds their comprehension." ~ Encyclopedia.com

**LAUGHTER GOOD FOR THE SOUL**: During Mass, an elderly man whispered to his wife, "My butt fell asleep." "I know," his wife replied, "I heard it snoring!"



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 6, 2023

7:00pm Souls in Purgatory Wednesday, June 7, 2023

8:30am Stuart Robson, Jocelyne Donaldson

Thursday June 8, 2023

8:30am Intentions of Fr. Pierre Farrugia – Tove Schmidt Edite Taixeira – Maria F. Nunes

Friday, June 9, 2023

8:30am Intentions of Thomas Clerkin

Saturday, June 10, 2023

5:00pm Intentions of Sherry Dolan & Family - Dolores

Schmidt

Intentions of Flora Hetherington - Mary Epoch

Patrick Raftis - Rose Wilke

**Mary Schiebel** 

**Sunday June 11, 2023** 

9:00am Chris McCabe – Ryan Butts 11:00am Intentions of the Parish

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#### Diocesan Prayer Calendar

June 5 Rev. Edward Mahony
June 6 Very Rev. David Walter
June 7 Sisters Adorers of the Precious Blood
June 8 Rev. Fulbert Jonas Ahouansou
June 9 Rev. Ian Duffy
June 10 Rev. Vernon Boyd

Most Holy Trinity Sunday - June 4, 2023

"God so loved the world that he gave his only-begotten Son..." How can you best serve God in a response to that love? 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



#### **Notice from Thursday Club**

After much thought and consideration, it was decided to cancel the Thursday June Luncheon. We are attracting very few people, and the planning, preparation, setting up and cleaning up is not worth it, when we only get a handful of parishioners! We will reevaluate the situation this Fall and come to a decision as to whether or not we continue! Thank you to those who have participated this year and given us their support but Covid has changed so many things that now we have to adapt to these changes! In the mean time we will wait till Fall and see what the outcome will be! Again thank you all!

#### 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 info, contact Sue at <a href="mailto:sbeatty14@gmail.com">sbeatty14@gmail.com</a>

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

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. Hope to see you there!

#### **Chalice Weekend**

Chalice is coming to St. Joseph Parish! At the June 10-11 Masses, Canada's largest Catholic Child Sponsorship organization will provide you the opportunity to begin a relationship with a child in the developing world through the benefits of Child Sponsorship. It is a powerful way to reveal God's love for those most in need. Please visit **chalice.ca** for more information about Chalice and its mission.

#### **Spring Memorial Mass at Marymount Cemetery**

The Spring Memorial Mass at Marymount Cemetery in Guelph will take place on Saturday, June 10, at 11:00. Light refreshments will be served following the Mass. All are welcome!

#### Young Adult Night - July 1st

Our diocesan Vocations Office invites all young adults (ages 20s & 30s) of our diocese to attend our Canada Day Young Adults Night. Arrival and Holy Hour in the church (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food, testimony/talk and Compline (9:00pm) in the Hall followed by Canada Day Fireworks from the Hill. Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate (28 Norfolk Street, Guelph). For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.



#### **Hamilton Diocesan Marian Days**

These days will be celebrated from June to October 2023 at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph. The day will start with Confessions at 9:00 a.m. followed by Mass at 10:00 a.m., Rosary Procession at 11:00 a.m. and lunch at 12:00 p.m., Holy Hour and Marian Catechesis at 1:00 p.m. The day will close with Benediction at 2:00 p.m. Please bring your own lunch. Coffee and Tea will be available. Presiders will be, Bishop Matthew Ustrzycki: Saturday, June 3; Bishop Douglas Crosby: Saturday, July 1; Bishop Gerard Bergie: Saturday, August 5; Bishop Wayne Lobsinger: Saturday, September 2; Thomas Cardinal Collins: Saturday, October 7.

#### Michael House Baby Bottle Campaign

We are pleased to see that most of the baby bottles for the Michael House Annual Fundraiser have been picked up. There are a few left so if you were still wanting to pick up one, please help yourself. All bottles are due back on Father's Day Weekend. Thank you in advance for your support for the important work done at Michael House!

#### **Upcoming Parish Events**

June 4	Knights of Columbus Charity Breakfast
June 4	CWL Scholarship Application Deadline
June 10	Chalice Sponsorship Weekend – At all Masses
& 11	
June 13	Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting 7:30pm
June 14	Caressant Care Mass 2pm
June 14	Walking Retreat with Deacon Trevor, 6pm,
	Forfar Park on Garthshore St.
June 16	No Weekday Mass
June 17	CWL General Meeting 11am
June 22	St. Joseph School Closing Mass 9:20am
June 27	Knights of Columbus General Meeting 7:30pm





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