

St. Joseph's Parish

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PASTOR: Fr. Robert Héту, 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.

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 Hétu



On this Pentecost weekend, I share you with my poem on the power of the Holy Spirit.

O Holy Sprit

As on that first Pentecost Grant us the gift of prophecy
When all seemed lost To continue your legacy
O come Holy Dove Give us a vision
From heaven up above To overcome division

Show us God's face Let us dream the dream
And keep us truly safe To accomplish God's regime

Descend upon us Help us make the right decision
And be among us To fulfill the Lord's commission
Put your fire in our heart O come great Paraclete
So we can do our part Anoint us to make God's reign complete

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: "There is no freedom greater than letting yourself be guided by the Holy Spirit and allowing [the Spirit] to lead you wherever [the Spirit] wishes." ~ Pope Francis

LAUGHTER GOOD FOR THE SOUL: A mother of a little boy had a change of heart. After having told him, he could not go to church picnic, she later relented and said that he could now go. The young boy sighed, "It's too late Mummy, I've already prayed to the Holy Spirit for rain."



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, May 21, 2024

7:00pm **Rose McCulligh** – Mary Epoch

Wednesday, May 22, 2024

8:30am **Agnes Given** – Leo Givens

Thursday, May 23, 2024

8:30am **Intentions of Sonny Clerkin**

Friday, May 24, 2024

8:30am **Mary Doyle** – Mac & Gail Brown

Saturday, May 25, 2024

5:00pm **Intentions of Berney Sytsma** – Mac & Gail Brown

Rose McCulligh – Catholic Women's League

Flora Hetherington – Jean Martin

Sunday, May 26, 2024

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

11:00am **Fern & Marie Beaudry** – Elaine Taylor **BAPTISM**

Pentecost Sunday - May 19, 2024

The confused and fear-filled apostles were totally changed by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit as they became powerful and dynamic proclaimers of their faith in Jesus Christ. In today's Church God calls priests, religious and deacons to serve Him and to serve others especially by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. If you feel God may be calling you to this ministry, call **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, at 905-528-7988**

Parish Offerings

Your contributions for May 11 & 12, 2024:

Regular Offerings	\$ 2,266.85
Pope's Pastoral Works	\$ 820.00
Share Lent	\$ 100.00
Indigenous Reconciliation	\$ 20.00
Building Fund	\$ 105.00

Don't forget to pick up your Michael House baby bottle (in the Narthex), fill it up with cash, change or cheques, and return to the Church on Father's Day.



This is their annual fundraiser, and we need to support their great work.

**Spring Parish Food Drive
for Centre Wellington Food Bank**

There is **just one more week** to contribute to our Parish Food Drive for the Centre Wellington Food Bank. The last day to donate is **May 26**. Most needed items include: large soup (Chunky, Habitant), small soup (not tomato), canned tuna, pasta sauce, canned pasta (ravioli, beefaroni), canned tomatoes, peanut butter, baked beans, toiletries such as deodorant, toothpaste, etc. Bags will be provided in the narthex for your donations. Thank-you for your generosity!



Ladies - Save the Date - Tuesday, June 18

The next CWL gathering will be on Tuesday, June 18, 2024. We will begin with Mass at 5:30 and then enjoy a potluck dinner at 6:30 in the Parish Hall with ladies from St. Mary's, Elora. **All ladies are welcome!** More details to come.

Free Fall Prevention Workshop

Join older adults (age 55 and better! 😊) on **Friday, May 24th** at 2 PM. Venue: Melville United Church, 300 St Andrew St. W., Fergus - Learn how to prevent falls and stay safe. Join us for a free workshop on falls prevention. Get tips and strategies to reduce your risk of falling, so you can stay independent. Our team of experts will share practical advice and answer your questions. Ask the Experts - Kinesiologist, Occupational Therapist, and SMART Exercise Coordinator. Preregistration required: Please call 519-638-1000 or email hedwards@mapleton.ca soon, to save a seat.

**Fergus & District Horticultural Society's
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Michelle 519-820-6337 or Kathy 519-362-1666

**Young Adults Night –
Saturday, June 1st - Stoney Creek**

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, June 1st at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church (934 Highway #8, Stoney Creek, Ontario). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/> For more information, contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Women's Cursillo Weekend

A Women's Cursillo Weekend will be held in Deemerton from Thursday, ~~May 30~~ to Sunday, June 2nd. For information or application forms, please contact Mary Ann Kirkconnell (Weekend Coordinator) rmkirkconnell@gmail.com. *Cancelled*

Come Retreat With Loyola House!

Are you looking to break away and spend some time in silence? Interested in learning something new? See our website at loyolahouse.com (under "Events") for more information on these upcoming retreats:

- **Finding Your Way: Weekend of Discernment June 7-9**
- **Directed Prayer Weekend - June 7-9**
- **NEW! Introduction to Enneagram-June 22 -**
- **Trees: Weekend Retreat - June 28-30**
- **8-Day Directed Silent Retreats - July 18-26; August 1-9; August 12-20**
- **5-Day Directed Silent Retreat - August 23-28**

Register online at loyolahouse.com or contact registration@ignatiusguelph.ca or call 519 824 1250 ext 266.

Upcoming Parish Events

May 19-26	Parish Food Drive
May 20	Office Closed for Victoria Day
May 23	55+ Luncheon for men and women, noon
May 25	Rosary before Saturday 5pm Mass
May 28	Knights of Columbus General Meeting
May 29	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 4pm
June 1	Baptismal Prep Class 9am to 11am
June 2	Knights of Columbus Breakfast
June 18	CWL Potluck Dinner 5:30pm Mass, 6:30pm Dinner

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MAY 11-MAY 26

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