

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

Dr. Edward Sri is a theologian, author and well-known Catholic speaker. He reminds us that society preaches three seemingly innocent phrases: "Be true to yourself;" "You be you;" and "You do you." They all communicate the same philosophy: everyone should unapologetically do what he or she wants, because that is the path to freedom. However, Dr. Sri suggests how much more freeing and incredible it is to follow the call of the Christian Gospel, which shows us how we are most true to ourselves when we die to ourselves and "put on Jesus".

Has therapeutic deism crept into our spiritual life? In therapeutic deism, the central goal of life is to be happy and to feel good about oneself. Here are several areas to examine whether our spiritual life has become infiltrated by therapeutic deism.

- 1) Our prayer life: When we pray, are we only focusing on ourselves? How much time do we spend reflecting on the needs of others, on the person of Jesus and the glory of God?
- 2) The way we treat those around us: Are we striving to treat people the way Jesus would, or do we react to others according to our own personal feelings?
- 3) How we live our life: Are we living our life for Jesus, or are we living according to our own wants, needs and desires.
- 4) How we handle problems: Do we view problems in our life as purely external misfortunes, or do we look at them as opportunities to encounter Jesus?

Yes, the world may be telling us: "you be you," but Jesus did not die so that I could just be me... Jesus died so that I could become like him.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: "Charity and the gift of understanding greatly perfects the virtue of faith." ~ Venerable Louis de Granada

LAUGHTER GOOD FOR THE SOUL: A small boy spotted a priest and asked, "Why do you dress so funny?" "This is the uniform that I wear when I work," replied the priest. He then pulled out his collar tab. (On the inside it reads, 'wash with warm water and soap.') "I think I know what it says," the boy interjected. "I bet it says, 'Kills fleas and ticks for up to six months.'"



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 25, 2024

7:00pm **Olivia Gillen** – The O'Neil Family
Dorice Ippolito – A Friend

Wednesday, June 26, 2024

8:30am **Mareta Alexandra Maniezzo** – Maria Cinira
Emidio

Thursday, June 27, 2024

8:30am **Intentions of Fr. Luis Calleja** – Tove Schmidt

Friday, June 28, 2024

8:30am **Patricia Coyle** – Fran LeBlanc

Saturday, June 29, 2024

5:00pm **Mary Doyle** – Nick & Teresa Cherri
Ben Kopecki – Paul & Cathy Goetz
Paul McDonald – Robyn Rogers
Jack Miller – Joanne Huber

Sunday, June 30, 2024

9:00am **Intentions of Berney Sytsma** – Don & Barbara
Cassidy

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time - June 23, 2024

Jesus brought peace to the wind and the sea. "Peace! Be still!" Many are searching for this peace and need your help to find Jesus. Would you be willing to proclaim the truth of God's love and presence in your life as a priest, religious or permanent deacon? If you think God is calling you, call **Fr. Mark Morley**, Director of Vocations, at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Parish Offerings

Details were not available at time of print. Please see next week's bulletin



Thank You for Coming!

Thank-you to everyone that participated in our CWL Mass and potluck dinner last week. It was wonderful to see everyone come together, sharing not just food but great conversation and laughter.



Grade 8 Graduation

On Monday, June 24 our Grade 8 students of St. Joseph School will be graduating! The ceremony will take place at the Church. This is an important step in their educational career, and we congratulate them on their success! Please keep them and their families in your prayers. We would also like to extend our congratulations to any of our parishioners who are graduating from high school, college, university or other institute of learning! Well done!

Summer Bulletin Schedule

As in summers past, this summer the bulletin will be published every other week. There will be a bulletin next weekend, and then July 13 & 14, 2025. If you have any events you would like to promote this summer, please be sure to send the information to the Church office early.

VON Transportation Program

VON Canada is a national health care organization and registered charity offering a wide range of home care and community support services. They are currently seeking volunteers in the transportation program. Our transportation services help seniors and adults with disabilities who have no access to transportation, so they can stay independent at home. We offer transportation to medical appointments and activities of daily living, such as grocery shopping, banking, and hair appointments. As a transportation volunteer you choose when and where you would like to drive. It could be a trip to London, Hamilton, etc. or just around the corner to Walmart! You can volunteer five days a week, one day per week or one day per month. The choice is yours! Our hours are Monday to Friday from 8:00am to approximately 4:30pm. We are closed weekends and statutory holidays. VON will reimburse mileage monthly. If you are interested in volunteering with VON WWD please email cathy.higdon@von.ca; call 226-449-8680 or go to www.von.ca/en/volunteer



Save A Date: A Bus Trip To Hamilton, On Monday, October 7, 2024 – All Day Trip

To book a seat or for additional information, please contact Patrycja directly by calling 519-886-0342 ext 3. Or by sending an email to our parish office to: lourdeswaterloochurch@gmail.com. Don't miss out on this mini-pilgrimage and adventure. Stop by our parish office to purchase your tickets now. ONLY 56 TICKETS available. An information session will be held in the parish office at Our Lady of Lourdes parish, Waterloo on August 30 at 5:00 pm. Please confirm if you are planning on attending.



Summer Euchre at Maryhill Rectory

Interested in playing Euchre at the Maryhill St. Boniface Church Rectory (the large house between the parking lot and the church)? Everyone is welcome. Please access the building from the driveway at the back. For those that aren't familiar with the rectory, please park your cars in the parking lot and just walk up the hill to the back door of the house. If you have any trouble finding the location call. (519)590-1516

Date: Mon July 8th to Mon Aug 26th (no cards on the Civic Holiday, Monday, Aug 5th)

Time: 6:30 to 8:30 or 9:00pm Arrive no later than 6:15pm so we can begin playing at 6:30 sharp.

Where: St Boniface Church Rectory (looks like a house) located at 1355 Maryhill Rd, Maryhill

Parking: free parking in the gravel parking lot on the side of the building.

Cost: \$5 per player

What to Bring: Your own drinks (no alcohol) and snacks for the night and your sense of humour!

NOTE: This is a drop-in card night. **NO** commitment is required. Just come out when you feel like a night of cards. RSVP if you can so enough tables are setup.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call me at (519) 590-1516

Upcoming Parish Events

June 22 & 23	Reception after each Mass for Deacon Trevor Klein
June 24	St. Joseph School Gr. 8 Graduation
June 26	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 4pm
July 1	Canada Day Mass 11am
July 1	Canada Day – Office Closed
July 8-12	No Weekday Masses

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