

St. Joseph's Parish

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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



As we are about to celebrate Canada Day, there are so many reasons to be proud to live in Canada. Our cultural diversity, the natural beauty of our landscape, our freedom of religion and from oppression and war. I would like to share some wise words from some young 9 and 10 year old Canadians.

"I'm proud to be a Canadian because we're allowed to believe in God." (*Malcolm, 10*)... "I am proud to be Canadian because this country is strong, bold and beautiful. Canada is multicultural and accepts immigrants... Canada has very generous people who are willing to give to other countries and Canada is peaceful." (*Marika, 9*)... "What makes me proud to be Canadian are my friends, my family, my religion and my happiness. I love being a Canadian citizen. I love my country because it's beautiful." (*Taylor, 10*)... "I am proud to be Canadian because we like everything like sports and the things God gave us." (*Dean, 9*)... "What makes me proud to be Canadian is that I am fortunate because we have money to help sick kids and homeless people." (*Jodi-Anne, 9*)... "I am proud to be Canadian because I love my country and because we are peacemakers, not war starters." (*Sebastian, 9*)... "I am proud to be Canadian because I can believe in my own religion. I am also proud to be Canadian because Canada is my favourite country." (*Corey, 10*)

Join us, here at St. Joseph Parish on Monday, July 1st Canada Day to give thanks to God for our many blessings through the celebration of Holy Mass at 11:00 a.m. I close with Canada's motto derived from Psalm 72: 'A Mari usque ad Mare' ('From Sea to Sea')

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: "On July 1, let's celebrate our country's achievements and use them, not our failings, as a foundation to build a better future together." ~ John Milloy (Former MPP)

LAUGHTER GOOD FOR THE SOUL: Little Andy was looking over the stock of greeting cards. Curious, the clerk asked, "Son, just what are you looking for? A birthday card? A message for a sick friend? An anniversary card for your parents?" "None of those," said the boy. "Then what kind of card are you looking for?" questioned the clerk. Andy wistfully answered, "Got anything in the line of blank report cards?"



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

Monday, July 1, 2024

Canada Day

11:00am **Mareta Alexandra Maniezzo** – Maria Cinia Enidio

Tuesday, July 2, 2024

7:00pm **Vincenzo & Marianna Pietropaolo** – Damiano Pietropaolo
Mary Doyle – The O'Neil Family

Wednesday, July 3, 2024

8:30am **Intentions of Fr. Robert** – Robin Rogers

Thursday, July 4, 2024

8:30am **Gregory Strub** – Mary Strub

Friday, July 5, 2024

8:30am **Julian Kiley** – Pat Ogborn

Saturday, July 6, 2024

5:00pm **Mary Doyle** - Paul & Cathy Goetz
Jack Miller – Mac & Gail Brown
Diane Lussier
Deacon Trevor Klein

Sunday, July 7, 2024

9:00am **Mary Doyle** – Betty Boyd & Family
11:00am **Intentions of the Parish**

NO WEEKDAY MASSES JULY 8 – 12, 2024

Saturday, July 13, 2024

5:00pm **Mary Doyle** – Catholic Women's League
Jack Miller – Terri Wellstead
Deacon Trevor Klein & Family – Don & Barbara Cassidy
Intentions of Rebecca Lynn Dunn – Brian & Laura Downham

Sunday, July 14, 2024

9:00am **Pat Rivett-Kitras** – Lena Nudds
11:00am **Intentions of the Parish**

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 30, 2024

Jesus healed Jairus's daughter by saying "Talitha cum" which means "little girl, get up!". Has the Lord called you to get up and walk? Perhaps Jesus wants you to help others get up and walk. If you feel God is calling you to priesthood, religious life or the diaconate, call **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations** 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Parish Offerings for June 15 & 16, 2024

Regular Collection: \$1,531.15
Pope's Pastoral Works \$ 60.00
Building Fund \$ 90.00

Parish Offerings for June 22 & 23, 2024

Regular Collection \$2,544.20
Cura Pastorum \$ 10.75
Building Fund \$ 190.00

2024 CWL Scholarship Recipients

The Catholic Women's League of St. Joseph's Parish would like to congratulate **Harrison Eidt** for receiving the 2024 CWL Scholarship for a student entering post-secondary education! Congratulations also goes to **Anderson Shaw** who received the CWL award at the St. Joseph School Grade 8 graduation! May God bless you as you begin new academic pursuits in September.



Canada Day Mass

Join Fr. Robert on Monday, July 1st at 11:00am for a Mass to celebrate this wonderful country we call home.

No Weekday Masses July 8 – 12

Fr. Robert will be away the week of July 8 to 12 as he will be attending his friend Jack's funeral in the US. He will be back for Mass on Saturday, July 13, 2023.

Dr. H. Patrick & Mrs. Gayle Cunningham Medical Scholarship

Through the generosity of a benefactor in the diocese, the Dr. H. Patrick and Mrs. Gayle Cunningham Medical Scholarship has been established and will be accepting applications for 2024. The purpose of this scholarship is to afford Catholics, faithful to the teachings of the Church, the opportunity to pursue medical education. If you are interested, please contact the Church office for more information on eligibility and an application for.

Marriage Preparation

Are you getting married this fall or in the early part of 2025? Marriage preparation is an important way that the Church reaches out to support your relationship. Once you have spoken to the parish and booked your wedding, be sure to register for one of our upcoming courses, which run from January to December of each year. Fall 2024 dates are posted on the website now. Find out more at [Preparation for Marriage - Diocese of Hamilton \(hamiltondiocese.com\)](http://Preparation for Marriage - Diocese of Hamilton (hamiltondiocese.com))

Parenting Tip Of The Month

The first day of July starts with a celebration of Canada and all that our country has to offer. It is a wonderful month to celebrate summer with family and friends and a great time to remember to pray for our country, be thankful for our freedom to celebrate our Catholic faith and to look at the many riches our country has to offer us. So, speak to your children about their wonderful country, about the beauty God has created here for them and about the many blessings they experience as Canadians. It is easy to dwell on the negative, but teaching our children to have an attitude of gratitude for their blessings makes for a healthier frame of mind!

Marriage Tip Of The Month

Love is a choice and sometimes little choices can make for a more loving and contented relationship. A smile and kiss as a greeting, a thank you for something your spouse does for you or for the family, a little note of gratitude for their gifts and talents. Over time, we can forget that kind words, compliments and seeing the good can change the way we interact. Choose to take these actions and watch your love grow.
(Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)

A prayer for Canada Day

*(taken from Blessings and Prayers
for Home and Family, CCCB)*

Lord, Jesus Christ,
look on the people of our land
and bless us all.

Help us to be brothers and sisters to all the world
and to work for peace and love.

Be with us, Jesus, and bless Canada,
for you are our Lord and Saviour for ever.
Amen.



Upcoming Parish Events

July 1	Canada Day Mass 11am
July 1	Canada Day – Office Closed
July 8-12	No Weekday Masses
July 9	Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting
August 13	Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting



St. Joseph's Parish Catholic Women's League News

The Catholic Women's League of Canada calls its members to grow in faith, and to witness to the love of God through ministry and service.

You can contact St. Joseph's CWL at ferguscwl901@gmail.com

The executive members of the CWL would like to thank all members for their continued support. Whether you are an active member or simply support the League through your annual membership dues and your prayers – all levels of support are appreciated.

Thank-you to Father Robert, our spiritual advisor, for his support throughout the year!

Enjoy the summer break! We'll gather again on September 29th to hear Teresa Hartnett share her ideas on "God's Design for Us: Who are We Called to Be and Who are We Capable of Being".

The Catholic Women's League 2024 Scholarship was awarded to Harrison Eidt at the 9:00 Mass on Sunday, June 23rd. The CWL Grade 8 Award was presented to Anderson Shaw at St. Joseph's School Graduation on Monday, June 24th. May God bless these students as they continue their studies in September.





Great food, conversations and laughter were shared by the ladies from St. Joseph's and St. Mary's Parish who attended our potluck dinner. Thank-you to Father Robert, who celebrated a Mass with us prior to the dinner.



CWL members hosted a reception for Deacon Trevor on June 22nd to show appreciation for his support throughout his time at St. Joseph's Parish!

A few members of our Parish will be attending The Catholic Women's League of Canada 77th Annual Ontario Provincial Convention July 7 - 10, 2024 in Sudbury. We wish Joyce Cotter great success in her candidacy for the Provincial Executive.

WE REMEMBER



Flora Hetherington

Daughter of Amadee and Auralie Gosselin of New Brunswick. Beloved mother of Robert Hetherington and mother-in-law to Denise Hetherington. Dear nana to grand-daughters Andrea (in the UK) and Danielle (in Australia), and great-nana to Ewan, Dylan and Neave (all in the UK). She was extremely fond of her niece and her husband Pam and Frank Doyle in Smithtown, New Brunswick. Flora was the youngest of 13 children. Her very close and oldest sister Rose passed away years ago while residing in Elora with her husband Ridley Hall. No other brothers and sisters are still living. Having worked with GSW for almost 30 years, she made numerous friends who spent a considerable amount of enjoyable time together over the years. Flora will be missed by her family and friends but leaves behind many memories of the way she enjoyed life. (taken from Giddy Funeral Homes website)



Mary Doyle

She grew up in Orangeville, and started her married life in Cambridge. In 1981 Fergus became home, where she and Don operated Doyle Paint and Wallpaper for 20 years. Ever the social butterfly, she valued being a member of St Joseph's Church and was a long time member of the CWL. She was a member of the Fergus Seniors' Club and enjoyed volunteering with the Fergus Lions and various community projects. Many friends remember her infectious smile, which was spotted at the euchre games she frequented in Fergus, Kenilworth, Belwood and Alma. She never played on Saturdays though -- that day was reserved for garage sales and she always managed to get a bargain! Mary loved being outdoors, whether it was camping, being at the cottage, travelling across Canada in her motorhome, gardening, or spending a quiet evening on the porch. (taken from Giddy Funeral Homes website)



Rose McCulligh

It is with great sadness that the family announces the passing of Rose on May 5, 2024 at the Wellington Terrace in Fergus in her 95th year. She will be greatly missed by her children Mike (Joan), Libby Darroch (Bryan), Jerry (Pam), Paul (Lisa), Tim (Gloria 2024), and Rob (Mary). She was predeceased by her husband of 59 years, Cal (2007), as well as her son, Peter (1958) and her grandson, Chad (2017). Lovingly remembered by her grandchildren Andrea, Jeremy (Tammie), Amberleigh (Tim), Shelby (Eoin), Elise (Anthony), Jasmine, Richelle, Zachary (Meghan), Kristen, Brandon (Midian), Chantal, Charity (Scott), Calvin, T.J and Jeannie (Jesse). She will also be missed by her great grandchildren Hope, Cole, Savannah, Peyton, Jayden, Tristan, Brooklyn, Hayes, Keira, Aria, Chloe, Oakley, Leigha, Emma, Amara and her soon-to-arrive new great grandson. (taken from Giddy Funeral Homes website)

Virtual Access to the 104th Annual National Convention of The Catholic Women's League of Canada Join in from the comfort of your home to watch the proceedings at the 104th Annual National Convention of The Catholic Women's League of Canada. The \$20.00 cost of registration includes access to all plenary sessions and the annual meeting of members. In addition, you will receive a digital copy of the registration kit once it becomes available.

Save the date: Aug 12, 2024 8:00 AM CST Register online at cwl.ca

St. Joseph's Parish, Fergus Catholic Women's League



TERESA HARTNETT IS THE DIRECTOR OF FAMILY MINISTRY FOR THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON. SHE HAS A DEGREE IN KINESIOLOGY FROM MCMASTER UNIVERSITY, A BACHELOR OF EDUCATION FROM BROCK UNIVERSITY, A MASTERS IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FROM ST. AUGUSTINE/UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO AND IS CERTIFIED IN A NUMBER OF FAMILY, COUNSELLING, MARRIAGE AND RELATIONSHIP PROGRAMS

**September 29, 2024
12:00pm
in the Parish Hall**

God's Design for Us: Who are We Called to Be and Who are We Capable of Being

Each person is created in love by God, with special gifts and talents. We carry God's image within us, but what does that look like in our lived experience? During this presentation we will look at who we are, how we came to be and the purpose of our lives. We are each unique and special, with our shared faith providing a foundation for living - for joy.

All Ladies Welcome!

Save the Date!

Upcoming Events - Save the Dates!

- September 29 - Guest Speaker - Teresa Hartnett
- October 20 - Guest Speaker from The Grove Youth Wellness Hub
- November 2 - St. Joseph's Parish Bazaar
- December 3 - St. Joseph's and St. Mary's Christmas Dinner

Volunteers Needed - Can you help?

We would like to make donations to help purchase a vital signs monitor for the ambulatory unit at Groves Memorial Hospital in Fergus as well as to community charities such as The Grove Youth Wellness Hub and to St. Joseph's Parish. We are in need of volunteers to help with our silent auction at the Bazaar to help raise money for these purposes. Would you like to work with a group of ladies to help out?

We would like to prepare lunches for builders at the Habitat for Humanity Build in Fergus in September. Would you like to work with a group of ladies to help out with this task?

Would you like to share ideas and information to plan activities of the CWL at St. Joseph's Parish? Opportunities for roles in the executive will be available at the end of the year. Please think about participating at this level or nominating someone.

Contact: ferguscwl901@gmail.com

We humbly pray You, O God our Father, to bless The Catholic Women's League of Canada. Bless our beloved country, our homes and families. Send Your Holy Spirit upon us to give light to our minds and strength to our wills that we may know and fulfill Your great law of charity. Teach us to share with others at home and abroad, the good things You have given us. This we ask through our Lord Jesus Christ and the intercession of our patroness, Our Lady of Good Counsel. Amen.

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