

St. Joseph's Parish

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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.
Fri 9:00 a.m. - noon

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 normally celebrated on the 1st Sunday of the month at 1:00pm (max. four families). They are also normally celebrated on the third Saturday of the month at the 5pm mass and/or the third Sunday at the 11am Mass (one family per Mass only). Baptisms are not done during Lent. Parents are required to attend a Baptismal Prep class. For more information, please contact Fr. Robert to set up a meeting.

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



Amy Carmichael (1867-1951) had a distinguished and fruitful ministry in India for many years. As the bold founder and the heart of the dahnavur fellowship, she had been instrumental in rescuing hundreds of boys and girls from horrific life of servitude and sexual exploitation. While she performed her rescue operations and brought young people into spiritual freedom through faith in Jesus Christ, she wrote books and poems that are still blessing readers around the world today.

Even though an unfortunate serious car accident made her an invalid, she never bemoaned her affliction or questioned God. Amy continued to be the guiding inspiration of the fellowship, and she still kept writing. Her meditations, letters and poems are filled with praise to God and encouragement to fellow pilgrims.

When affliction strikes us, how do we react? Are we miserable and embittered? Or, do we trust God and appreciate God's sustaining grace? Are we a source of encouragement for others by our courage and confidence in God? When we rely on the Lord, the Lord will help us turn pain into praise. Praise is the song of a soul set free. I leave you with these poetic words of wisdom from Amy Carmichael: "Every night, however long and difficult, ends in a dawn of gold."

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: "Love means to commit oneself without guarantee." ~ Erich Fromm

LAUGHTER GOOD FOR THE SOUL: Mrs. Brown goes to the local newspaper to publish her recently deceased husband's obituary. The clerk informs her that there is a charge of 50 cents per word. Upon reflection, she says, "Let it read, 'Fred Brown died'" Amused at the widow's thrift, the clerk tells her that there is a seven-word minimum. A few seconds later, she says, "In that case, let it read, 'Fred Brown died. Hockey equipment for sale.'"



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 faith family.

Tuesday, October 28, 2025

7:00pm **Eileen Farrugia** – Terry & Eileen Long

Wednesday, October 29, 2025

8:30am **Alfred Fischer**

Thursday, October 30, 2025

8:30am **Rock Rocky** – Beverly Rock & Family
Patrick Murphy – A Friend

Friday, October 31, 2025

8:30am **Dana Power**

Saturday, November 1, 2025

5:00pm **Dominic & Walter Tersigni**
Rino Rossi – Frank & Lori Tersigni
Thérèse Héту – The Family
All deceased members of the Sheehy-Goetz Families – Jim & Peggy Sheehy

Sunday, November 2, 2025

9:00am **Deceased Members of the Pietropaolo Family** – Damiano Pietropaolo
11:00am **The Intentions of St. Joseph Parish**

Parish Donations - October 18 & 19, 2025

Regular Offerings	\$1,533.00
St. Mary and St. Joseph Cemetery	\$ 20.00
World Mission Sunday	\$1,512.00

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 26, 2025

WANTED: Humble sinners who know the forgiveness of God. These make good servants of the Gospel. They can be priests, deacons, brothers or sisters. If God is calling you contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

Email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

2025-2026 Sunday Missals

The new missals for 2025-2026 have arrived! We will begin using the new Missals on the 1st Sunday of Advent, November 30th. The new missals are available in the Narthex for the price of \$5 each. Be sure to pick up your copy while quantities last.

Children's All Saints Day Party

Save the date! On Saturday, November 1, the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in conjunction with Frassati's Carabiners, is hosting an All Saints Day Party for the children of the deanery from 1:00 to 3:00pm (drop in). The activities are geared to children aged 4-10, but all children are welcome! The cost is \$2/child, and children are encouraged to dress as their favourite saint. The party includes a selection of fifteen activity stations, ranging from crafts to bowling, Eucharistic Adoration to three-legged races and snacks! To RSVP, please email Elise at frassaticarabiners@protonmail.com before Saturday, Oct 25. Please include your family's surname and the number of children participating. It's going to be a fantastic afternoon for the whole family, filled with fun, faith-based activities. We look forward to seeing many of you there!

Upcoming Events at Loyola House

Take time to slow down and find stillness at Loyola House. Step away from daily routines to reconnect with God, the natural world, and one another. See what retreats are coming up this fall:

Day of Quiet - Nov 17, 2025 - A one-day silent retreat at Loyola House inviting you to step away from the noise, rest in stillness, and rediscover peace in nature and reflection.

Private Silent Retreat - Nov 18-20, 2025 - A self-directed silent retreat at Loyola House offering space for rest, reflection, and prayer in a peaceful setting surrounded by nature.

Chosen by God and Beloved - Nov 21, 2025 - A one-day retreat at Loyola House offering prayer, reflection, and creative expression inspired by Colossians 3:12 to deepen your sense of being chosen and loved by God.

To register call 519-824-1250 ext. 266 or go to registration@ignatiusquelphe.ca or ignatiusjesuitcentre.com

Bazaar Help Needed

The CWL is looking for people to sign up to help with the setup, day of the event and for cleanup day of event. Signup sheets will be available in the Narthex on the CWL table.

Also, it was decided at a CWL meeting to focus our bake sale on mostly pies and tarts this year. Of course, any of your fine baking will be welcomed. We are requesting the help of bakers to kindly sign up for what you are willing to bring. Boxes will be made available for bringing them in. Sign-up sheet will be on the CWL table in the Narthex.

The Light Shines in the Darkness.

"Fr. Bill Trusz (Papal Missionary of Mercy) will be giving a presentation on Christian freedom from demonic forces on Sunday, October 26 at 2:00 p.m. in St. Mary Immaculate Church (267 Geddes St, Elora). Don't miss this opportunity to hear about how *The Light Shines in the Darkness* (John 1:5)! Invite a friend who doesn't usually come to church!"

Vocations Dance – November 7th, 2025 Mount Mary Ancaster

Father Mark Morley invites the young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend a Regency period dance for dating couples and singles who are discerning the vocation of sacramental marriage on Friday, November 7th, 2025, at Mount Mary Retreat Centre (437 Wilson Street East, Ancaster) starting at 7:00pm. The evening includes a talk, dance instruction, and hors d'oeuvres. Cost: \$20 per person. Online registration required by Monday, November 3rd. Space is limited. No tickets at the door. For registration and more details, visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/> For inquiries, contact vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

Upcoming Parish Events

October 28	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 4pm
October 28	Knights of Columbus General Meeting
October 29	RCIA Class 7pm – 9:30pm
November 1	Baptismal Prep Class 9am-11am
November 5	RCIA Class 7pm – 9:30pm
November 8	COR Meeting 10:00am
November 9	CWL General Meeting 12:00 noon
November 15	Annual Parish Bazaar 10am – 2pm

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