

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.

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.

EUCARISTIC 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 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

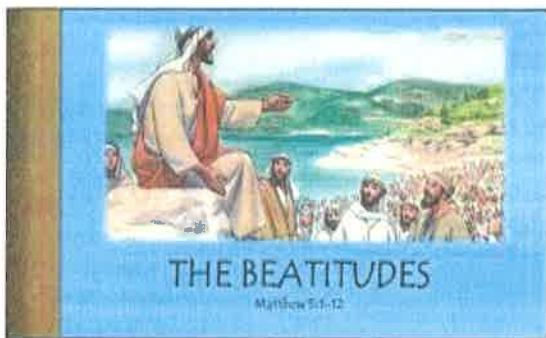


There once was a flight attendant who had to deal with a real curmudgeon of a passenger. He was irascible, complaining and simply a malcontent. The attendant tried to keep an even keel in her dealings with him and finally it came time to serve the meal. She approached the unpleasant, disagreeable, disgruntled passenger and asked him if he would like dinner. He barked back, "What are my choices?" And the flight attendant said, "Yes or no." It's the same choice we have about following Jesus!

Would the people we work with know that we are followers of Jesus? Would our neighbours know that we are followers of Jesus? Do the people we play sports with know that we are followers of Jesus? Do our family and friends know that we are followers of Jesus? Does our daily behaviour reflect that we are followers of Jesus? It is that simple, "Yes or no." It is no too late to do something about it!

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: "I ask not for a lighter burden, but for broader shoulders." ~ Jewish Proverb

LAUGHTER GOOD FOR THE SOUL: A pastor was in the habit of reading every word of his homilies, which were rather long and tedious. A parishioner thought to cure him of this and, before Mass, slipped into the pulpit and removed one page at random. The priest began. After a while he reached the point where the page was gone. "And Adam said unto Eve..." He paused. "And Adam, err, said unto Eve...There seems to be a leaf missing!"



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, February 3, 2026

7:00pm Intentions of Lavina Lobsinger – Dolores Schmidt

Wednesday, February 4, 2026

8:30am Rose Sabourin – The Family

10:30am Caressant Care Mass

Thursday, February 5, 2026

8:30am Intentions of Laura Fischer – Don & Barbara Cassidy

Friday, February 6, 2026

8:30am Intentions of Sylus Van Oosterom

Saturday, February 7, 2026

5:00pm Special Intentions

Denise Hebbes Ellig – Wayne & Joanne England

Peter Turner – Jim Gillen

Visipacion Mallori & Ong Su Que – Josephine Mallori

Sunday, February 8, 2026

9:00am Intentions of the Parishioners of St. Joseph Parish

11:00am Vince Merry

Contributions for January 24 & 25, 2026

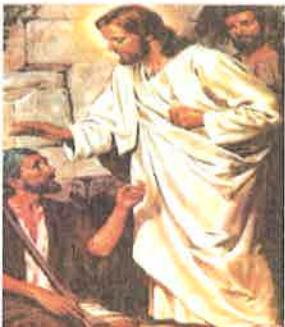
Regular Collection	\$1,370.00
Building Fund	\$ 740.00
St. Vincent de Paul - January	\$1,455.00
CWL Donation from Raffle	\$1,931.12
CWL Donation from Silent Auction (Building Fund)	\$1,500.00

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 1, 2026

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven..." Do not be discouraged by jeers when considering being a priest, deacon, brother or sister. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, at 905-528-7988 or vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

FIRST COMMUNION DEADLINE REMINDER!

A reminder to parents whose children are preparing to receive First Communion this spring – Registration forms must be submitted to the Church or School no later than February 22nd



Anointing of the Sick Mass

Join us for an Anointing of the Sick Mass on February 11th (which is the World Day of the Sick) at 11:00am. Following Mass, the ladies of the CWL will be providing a lunch for us all. Enclosed with this bulletin is a registration form for everyone attending to complete and turn in. If you require assistance and wish to bring someone, please know they are welcome to attend both Mass and lunch. We do need to ensure we have enough food for everyone so turn in your registration form as quickly as you can.

Wellington Pregnancy Centre – Diaper Drive

We are hoping, with your help, to participate in the Pregnancy Care Centre's Diaper Drive, running from February 1st to February 28th. We are encouraged to donate diapers sized newborn & sizes 5-7, pull ups, wipes and other baby related essentials such as diaper cream and baby wash. A table will be set up in the Narthex this weekend to start the collection.

Next COR Gathering – February 14th

Calling all Christian men. Join us Saturday February 14th at 10:00am in the St Joseph's parish hall for our next Cor gathering. Fr Robert Hetu will be our presenter. Join us for a time of prayer, discussion and a coffee social.

Spaghetti Dinner – St. Teresa (Elmira)

The Knights of Columbus Council 8192 and the Catholic Women's League is hosting a **SPAGHETTI DINNER on Friday, February 13, 2026** at St. Teresa of Avila Parish Hall, 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira. There will be continuous seating until 7:00 p.m. Take-out will be 4:30 – 5:00 p.m. Please bring your own take-out bag as we are trying to save the environment. Cost is \$16.00 for Adults, \$10.00 for Children (6-12), and Free for Children (5 & Under). Purchase your tickets by calling Rick Weishar at 519-577-5928 or the Parish Office at 519-669-3387 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. (Tuesday to Friday). Proceeds will be going to reupholstering the hall chairs.

Pray For Peace in Troubled Times

At this time, the world is full of conflict, violence, upheaval and uncertainty causing worry and fear among many of us. That is why it is so important for all of us to remember to pray for the world and for peace. We are encouraged to "pray the Rosary every day in order to obtain peace for the world" (Our Lady of Fatima, May 13, 1917). "There is no problem I tell you, no matter how difficult it is, that we cannot resolve by prayer of the Holy Rosary" (Sister Lucy of Fatima). You can pray the Rosary on your own, or join fellow parishioners. A group of people gather to pray the Rosary on Friday mornings immediately following the 8:30am Mass; on Sunday at 8:25am and again at 10:35am just prior to the 9 & 11am Masses. You are welcome to join them anytime.

The Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel should also be prayed frequently as Satan is bent on divisions in family, our communities and the world.

Saint John Paul II – Prayer for Peace

O God, Creator of the Universe, who extends your Paternal concern over every creature and guides the events of history to the goal of salvation, we acknowledge your fatherly love when you break the resistance of mankind and, in a world torn by strife and discord, you make us ready for reconciliation. Renew for us the wonders of your mercy: send forth

Your Spirit that He May work in the intimacy of Hears, that enemies may begin to dialogue, that Adversaries may shake hands and people may Encounter one another in harmony.

May all commit themselves to the sincere search for true peace which will extinguish all arguments, for charity which overcomes hatred, for pardon which disarms revenge.

Amen.

Upcoming Parish Events

February 1	Knights of Columbus Breakfast
February 4	Caressant Care Mass 10:30am
February 7	Baptismal Prep Class 9am – 11am
February 10	Knights of Columbus Executive Meeting, after 7pm Mass
February 11	Anointing of the Sick Mass 11am
February 14	COR Men's Meeting 10am



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