

St. Joseph's Parish

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SECRETARY: Mrs. Lori Cipparrone

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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

*"The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world,
Alleluia."*

(Antiphon, Evening Prayer, Pentecost Sunday)

In his Last Supper discourse, Jesus explains his Divine origin and his relationship to God his Father in clear terms without using any metaphors. The apostles acknowledge that they understand the Divinity of Jesus. Still Jesus prophesies that they will soon desert him and seek their own safety, while he will be arrested, brought to trial and crucified.

Our Faith is tested every day when we live in a world filled with agnostics, atheists, and pleasure-seekers who see true believers as superstitious people and despise them. That is why Jesus gave his apostles and all his future disciples the assurance of the anointing of the Holy Spirit Who would strengthen them and guide them.

Today is Pentecost—the fiftieth day, the birthday of the Church, the day the Spirit descended in wind and fire on the Apostles and Mary gathered in prayer. Red is the colour of the day. After fifty days of white and gold and alleluia, the Church puts on the colour of flame. Saint Paul tells us something extraordinary: the Spirit *"intercedes for us with inexpressible groanings"* (Romans 8:26). We do not pray alone. We have never prayed alone.

We need to permit the Holy Spirit to take control of our lives: by constantly remembering His Holy Presence and living well; 2) by praying for His daily anointing so that we may fight against our temptations and control our evil tendencies; 3) by asking His daily assistance to pray, listening to God through meditative Bible reading, and talking to Him in personal, family, and liturgical prayers; and 4) by asking the help of the Holy Spirit to do good for others and to be reconciled with God and others every day.

**"Come Holy Spirit fill the hearts
of your faithful."**

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: "May the strong wind of the Spirit come upon us and within us, open the borders of our hearts, grant us the grace of encounter with God." ~ Pope Leo XIV

LAUGHTER GOOD FOR THE SOUL: Q. What kind of alcohol do you find in church? (Besides Mass wine.)
R. Holy spirits!



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, May 26, 2026

7:00pm **Intentions of Alicia Galarneau – Bob & Molly Myers**

Special Intentions of Brian Chisholm

Wednesday, May 27, 2026

8:30am **Special Intentions – The Reidy Family**

10:30am **Highland Manor Mass -**

Thursday, May 28, 2026

8:30am **Intentions of Eileen Long – Terry Long**

Friday, May 29, 2026

8:30am **Intentions of Cheryl Krentz**

Saturday, May 30, 2026

5:00pm **Gloria Clarke – Michael Clarke**

Jean Martin – Brigitte Quinke

Special Intentions of John & Jean Paul

Intentions of Mac & Gail Brown

Sunday, May 31, 2026

9:00am **Bill Buston – Ted and Marlene Buczek**

11:00am **Intentions of Parishioners of St. Joseph Parish**

Contributions for May 17, 2026

Regular Collection	\$1,896.55
Initial Offering	\$ 25.00
Share Lent	\$ 100.00
Needs of the Holy Land	\$ 50.00
Pope's Pastoral Works	\$ 470.00
Building Fund	\$ 20.00
Electronic Donations	\$2,817.92

Pentecost Sunday - May 24, 2026

"Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love." Send forth workers into your vineyard. If God is calling you to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com



**Feast Of Corpus Christi
Eucharistic Procession – June 4, 2026**

Join our Catholic Community as we gather for the Eucharistic Procession on Corpus Christi as a public profession of the Catholic faith in the real presence of Christ in the Holy Sacrament. Starting from St John the Baptist, Guelph to Sacred Heart Parish on **Thursday June 4 at 6pm**. Beginning with Mass at St John's at 6pm, Procession to Sacred Heart following Mass and Benediction at Sacred Heart following procession. Shuttle Buses will be available to return to St John the Baptist Parish. All are welcome to attend.

**CRITICAL MASS – “Rock the Foundation!”
Benefit Concert**

Our sister parish in Elora has been without a church hall for some time. To help St. Mary's raise funds, we are hosting a concert by Critical Mass. This “Rock the Foundation!” benefit concert will be held here on **Saturday, June 6 at 7:00pm**. Come enjoy an evening of music in support of the St. Mary's Hall Building Project. Critical Mass are two-time Canadian Gospel Music Association winners and performed for Pope John Paul II at World Youth Day 2002. Advance tickets are \$15, or \$50 per family with purchase information at www.criticalmassmusic.org/tour-dates Come out and support the St. Mary's parish in the rebuilding of their parish hall."

St. Boniface Cemetary Restoration Project

Do you have ancestors in our “Old Walled” cemetery? Even if you don't, we could use your help with the cost of preserving these precious monuments some of which are over 175 years old. Many of the monuments most in need of attention tie directly to the original settlers of this community. Every stone is a testament to the faith, resilience, and identity of the people of Maryhill. The St. Boniface cemetery committee has hired a very reputable company that has been doing this type of work in Ontario for over 25 years. As you can imagine, it is a very labour intensive and costly process but crucial to the preservation of this unique heritage cemetery. This is a multi-year project with the first year alone costing over \$10,000. If you would like to help, donations by cheque can be made to St. Boniface Church – 1355 Maryhill Road – Maryhill, Ontario N0B 2B0 and mention on the cheque "St. Boniface Church – Cemetery Restoration" and a tax-deductible receipt will be issued. For more information contact Diane Strickler, dstrickler@continuum.org or Michael Hayne r mkhayne@hotmail.com

Catholic Women's League Scholarship

Application forms for our CWL Scholarship are available on the CWL table in the Narthex, for students graduating from Grade 12 and intending to pursue ongoing education in September 2026. **Applications are due by May 31st**. They can be left at the office or drop in the collection basket in an envelope marked CWL.

**“Embracing the Great Commission”,
hosted by the **Augustine Institute** and
Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Hamilton**

This special **day of formation** is open to **all parish catechetical, faith formation, ministry, and lay leaders** and will take place on **Saturday, June 13th**. We're honored to welcome **Austin Habash**, Catholic speaker and founder of *Sent Evangelization* and *Think Catholic*, who will guide us in preparing to fulfill the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20) through topical presentations, discussion, and prayer.

- **The day begins with Mass at 9:00 AM** and ends with the **Divine Mercy Chaplet 2:30PM**.
- **Breakfast and lunch will be provided, and there is no cost** to attend.

To learn more and reserve your spot, please [Register Here](#).

Upcoming Events

May 23	Knights of Columbus Chicken BBQ 6pm
May 24	Confirmation with Mass, 2pm
May 26	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 4pm
May 26	Knights of Columbus General Meeting, 7:30pm
May 27	Highland Manor Mass, 10:30am
May 31	CWL Scholarship Applications Due
June 3	Are Your Affairs in Order? 7pm
June 6	Baptismal Prep Class 9am-11am
June 6	Chalice Visit to St. Joseph Church
June 6	Critical Mass Rock the Foundation Benefit Concert 7pm – 8:30pm
June 7	Knights of Columbus Charity Breakfast
June 9	Mass time change – 5:30pm
June 9	CWL Fergus & Elora Pot Luck Dinner




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