

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



### TUESDAY, March 10<sup>th</sup>

7:30am

### WEDNESDAY, March 11<sup>th</sup>

7:30am

8:00am to 9:00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

7:00pm + Ryan Driscoll

Intentions of Daisy Mariano

### THURSDAY, March 12<sup>th</sup> - Novena to St Joseph Begins

7:00pm + Vittorio Agese Pellisser

### FRIDAY, March 13<sup>th</sup>

7:30am + Gian Pham

7:00pm + Irene Symons

7:30pm Divine Mercy

### SATURDAY, March 14<sup>th</sup>

9:00am + Martha Mills

5:00pm + Antonio Nini and All Deceased Members  
of Nini Family

### SUNDAY, March 15<sup>th</sup> - Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:30am + Nadia Berruti

10:15am + Peter Phung Tran

12noon All Parishioners



May God's peace be with those who have recently died, especially **ROBERT FINORO** and **RICCARDO GUARDIERO** and those being persecuted for their faith & race, and those killed in natural disasters & their families. Please remember our parishioners who are sick and homebound and those in our Prayer Network in your prayers.

### Third Sunday of Lent - March 8, 2026

"But the one who drinks of the water that I will give will never be thirsty." Do you thirst to know where God is leading you? Could you be thirsty for an understanding of your purpose? If God is calling you to serve Him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

### SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of March 8, 2026

Candle #1 -

Candle #2 -

Please use the envelopes provided to request intentions for the Sanctuary Lamps, which are lit at the tabernacle.



### COLLECTIONS FOR THE PAST WEEK

Sunday Offering Feb 28/ March 1 \$5,175.00

Loose Collection \$1,347.50

Thank you for your contribution and God Bless!

If you would like a receipt for your contribution, we need your name & full address. If you would like envelopes or to sign up for Pre-Authorized Donations, please call the Parish Office at 519-822-4614.



### Easter Schedule

#### Stations of the Cross - 6:30pm

February 20; February 27; March 6;  
March 13; March 20; March 27

#### Confessions

March 25 1pm to 7pm

April 1 8am to 12pm

#### Palm Sunday - March 29

Saturday 5pm

Sunday 8:30am, 10:15am and 12noon

Hungarian Mass 4pm

#### Lord's Passover - Thursday April 2

7:00pm

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

After Mass until 11:00pm

#### Good Friday - April 3

11:00am and 3:00pm

Stations of the Cross 7pm

#### Saturday April 4

12noon Blessing of Easter Foods

Easter Vigil - 8pm

#### Easter Sunday April 5

8:30am, 10:15am and 12noon

#### Divine Mercy Sunday April 12

Sunday 8:30am, 10:15am and 12noon

2:30pm Chaplet; 3pm Mass

Vietnamese Mass 5pm



### ST JOSEPH NOVENA

**Starting Wednesday March 11<sup>th</sup> – March 19<sup>th</sup>**

we will be having the nine-day novena for the intercession of St Joseph. Throughout the nine-day Novena we will be having the devotion during each evening Mass (7pm) and during all Weekend Masses (Saturday 5pm and Sunday 8:30am, 10:15am and 12noon). **There will be no morning Masses on the Tuesday and Thursday during the novena.** Saint Joseph is the patron saint of many causes and professions, including: Universal Church, Families, Fathers, Workers, Expectant Mothers, Unborn Babies, Immigrants, Travelers, Carpenters, A Happy Death and Social Justice. Please join us for this Novena to St Joseph. At the end of the nine-day novena - Thursday March 19 – Feast of St Joseph, there will be a reception in the Parish Hall.



### LENTEN MISSION

#### **Parish Lenten Retreat 2026**

“As the deer longs for streams of water, so my soul longs for you, O God.” (Ps. 42:1). Dear Brothers and Sisters during Lent, take time to pause, pray, and renew your heart. Our parish warmly invites you to join us for a Lenten Retreat — a special opportunity to encounter God’s mercy and grow closer to Christ as we prepare for Easter. Come and be refreshed in faith, strengthened in hope, and renewed in love. **Starting:**

- Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup>: Holy Mass 7:00 pm. Preaching and Adoration: 7:30-8:00pm
- Saturday March 21<sup>st</sup> and Sunday March 22: during the homily at all Masses on the weekend.

Retreat Preacher. Fr. Saju Oreethaparambil C.Ss. R. “Return to me with all your heart.” (Joel 2:12). All are welcome. Please invite family and friends to join this time of grace.

### ST JOSEPH YOUTH CHOIR

St Joseph Youth Choir that sings once a month at the 12noon Mass is looking to expand their choir. Young male and female all are welcome to join. Please contact Angelo Quintano at [angelo.quintano@hotmail.ca](mailto:angelo.quintano@hotmail.ca)

### DONATE TO EASTER FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF LOVED ONES

If you would like to make a donation for our Easter flowers in memory of a Loved One, **please use the envelopes in your offertory boxes or one of our Special Envelopes on the bookshelf. Put your name and the name(s) of those you wish to be remembered.** These names will be listed on a poster on the bulletin board and on our website and remembered at all Masses during Holy Week.

### DIVINE MERCY SEMINAR

The Apostles of DIVINE MERCY Canada will be hosting a seminar on the Divine Mercy facilitated by Nestor Buendia (Lay Oblates of Divine Mercy). Saturday March 14 from 9:00am to 4:40pm. The days agenda: 9am Mass; 9:45am to 3:00pm – Divine Mercy Seminar; 4:00-4:30pm – Confessions. Free Admission, lunch will be provided. To register please contact the parish office.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - FUN FAMILY BINGO!

Each Saturday Evening of: **March 7, 2026.** St Joseph's Parish Hall. Doors open at 6pm; Bingo starts and doors close at 6:30pm. Please bring: your own snacks, drinks, Bingo dabbers & pen. Entrance Fee: \$ 3.00 Children \$5.00 Adults This is a no cash prize Bingo. 6

cards per person. Please arrive early! **SO, BRING YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF FUN!**

### ST JOSEPH YOUTH GROUP

St Joseph Parish Youth Group will meet on **Saturday March 28 from 1:30pm to 4:30pm (in the parish hall)** for an afternoon of faith, friendship, and fun - including food, games, and meaningful discussion ending in participation at our 5:00pm Mass (optional). We welcome all youth’s ages 13 to 18. All welcome to attend.

### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE (February–March 2026)

40 Days for Life is a 40-day prayer vigil for the ending of abortion through prayer, fasting, and peaceful public witness, taking place February 18 – March 29, 2026. Mark your calendars for our 40 DFL events:

- 40 Days for Life Mass with Bishop Dabrowski **Saturday, March 14, 2026, 9:00 AM** - Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, 28 Norfolk St, Guelph
- Candlelight Closing Prayer **Sunday, March 29, 2026, 6:00–6:30 PM** - City sidewalk beside the Guelph Cenotaph

Learn more and sign up for prayer times at [40daysforlife.com/guelph](http://40daysforlife.com/guelph). For parish involvement, contact 519-836-6311 or [info@guelphforlife.com](mailto:info@guelphforlife.com).

### The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2026? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Dabrowski and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 31, 2026 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is found under Upcoming Events on the home page at [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com), or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

### Made for Better: Relationships, Wellness, and the Divine Design

Alliance for Life Ontario Youth Conference Saturday, April 11, 2026 | 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM Guelph Bible Conference Centre, Fergus Ages 14–20 | Cost: \$25 (includes snacks & lunch). A day dedicated to exploring mental health, healthy relationships, and God’s design for the human person, featuring Stephanie Smith, Adrian Faber, and Jakki Jeffs. The conference includes keynote sessions, breakout discussions, lunch, and a panel. **To register or learn more, contact 519-836-6311 or email [info@guelphforlife.com](mailto:info@guelphforlife.com).**

### JUBILEE YEAR OF ST FRANCIS – 800<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

More Interesting Facts About St. Francis of Assisi:

- **Never a Priest:** Despite his leadership in the Church, Francis never became a priest, remaining a deacon because he felt unworthy of the priesthood.
- **Inventor of the Nativity Scene:** In 1223, in Greccio, Italy, Francis created the first-ever live Nativity scene (presepio), using real animals and people to make the Christmas story more tangible.
- **Met with the Sultan:** During the Fifth Crusade in 1219, Francis crossed enemy lines in Egypt to visit Sultan al-Kamil, attempting to convert him to Christianity and calling for an end to the conflict.