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SATURDAY MASS

5:00 pm

SUNDAY MASSES

8:30 am

10:15 am - Children's Liturgy

12 noon

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - No Mass

Tuesday to Friday - 8:00 am

Wednesday and Friday - 7:00 pm

Saturday morning - 9:00 am

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every Wednesday 8:30am to 11:00am

CONFESSION TIMES

Saturday 11:00 am to 12 noon or by
appointment.

PARISH MINISTRY

There are many groups and activities in our
Parish. We hope you can join one. Visit our
website to find out more. Get Involved!
www.stjosephguelph.com/ministries

PARISH STAFF

Reverend Jeff Bergsma, Pastor
Tracy Bolzon, Office Administrator
Zofia Gadzinska, Bookkeeper



Saint Joseph was a just man, a tireless worker, the
upright guardian of those entrusted to his care.
May he always guard, protect and enlighten families.

- ST JP II



Pray

*Let us pray the Rosary
with our families*

*Join us every morning
before mass as we pray
the Rosary.*



Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



TUESDAY, November 5th

8:00am + John Mandolesi
+ James, Mary and Stephen Ndungu
Intentions of John Rodgers
Intentions of Gabriel and Helen D'Souza

WEDNESDAY, November 6th

8:00am + Keith Robinson
8:30am - 11:00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00pm + Arturo Piacampo
+ Emil and Connie Flores
+ Ida Fogal

THURSDAY, November 7th

8:00am + All Souls

FRIDAY, November 8th

8:00am + Moses DiCicco
7:00pm + Paul Tamarra
7:30pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

SATURDAY, November 9th

9:00am NO MASS
5:00pm Intentions of Therese Tran

SUNDAY, November 10th

8:30am + Carlo Finoro
10:15am + Nicola and Grace DeNardis
12noon + Digna Mariano



May God's peace be with those who have recently died, especially **LOMER LAUZON** and **MATTHEW FAIRFULL** 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.

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time – November 3, 2024

"To love Him with all the heart and with all the understanding, and with all the strength" and "to love one's neighbour as oneself" are the greatest commandments. If you feel that God is calling you to serve Him as a priest, religious or deacon, call **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton** at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of November 3, 2024

Candle #1 – INTS of MOISES MARTINS

Candle #2 – + IDA FOGAL

Please use the envelopes provided request intentions for the Sanctuary Lamps, which are lit at the tabernacle. The requested offering is \$10 each. You may place the envelope in the collection or drop it in the Parish Office.

COLLECTIONS FOR THE PAST WEEK

Sunday Offering October 26/27	\$3,518.00
Loose Collection	\$1,348.00
Building Fund	\$1,135.00

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.



SUNDAY REFLECTION

The churches in British Columbia had been allowed to re-open, after the first COVID-induced shut-down. Attendance required pre-registration and the doors were closed to latecomers. If I felt wonderful to be allowed back to our traditional form of worship. I was walking to Mass when I thought I heard my name being called. Then I heard my name being called again. When I turned around, I saw Steve, the panhandler who used to keep an eye on my bicycle. He was running to catch up, so I stopped. He wanted to say hello, to know how I was. We chatted. He was doing okay. After we said our goodbyes I hurried to church, but the doors were locked. For a second, I was sad to have missed Mass. Then I realized: Our Lord was right here, on the street. He was the Love in this unexpected encounter.

In today's Gospel Jesus tells us that the most important way to love God is through our neighbour. The crowd around Jesus was discussing the importance of traditional sacrifices. The wise scribe did not join the argument. Instead, he stopped and listened to Jesus. When the scribe took Jesus' answer into his heart, he was given the grace to understand the New Covenant. Jesus teaches us to look at tradition with discernment and to love God through each of our neighbours. *Excerpt from Living with Christ.*

POINSETTIA FUNDRAISER

LAST CHANCE to purchase your 6" Poinsettia Pots for \$12 each. All proceeds will go towards the purchase of new cassocks for the Altar servers and other needs of our church. To place your order please call Tracy at the Parish Office (519-822-4614) or email at stjosephgeulph@rogers.com by **November 15**. This is a great Christmas gift idea for family members and friends.



CWL MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Beginning next month (November) the St. Joseph Catholic Women's League embarks on their annual membership campaign.

Please renew your membership or join the CWL in November. **2025 dues are \$35.** We are very grateful for returning members and welcome new members into the sisterhood! Please consider joining the ladies of our parish as there is place for each one of us within the framework of the CWL. Please see the posters and flyers at the back of the church for more information.

ST JOSEPH CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Do you like to sing? Children and Youth from Grades 2 to 12 are invited to join our new St. Joseph Parish Children's Choir which will sing at the 10:15am Mass on the first Sunday of every month during the school year. **We will also sing at the Parish Advent Concert on December 7 at 7:00pm and 5:00pm Christmas Eve!** Our first Sunday Mass will be on November 10 with two practices on Tuesday, November 5 and Thursday November 7th 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. in the church. Please contact Mrs. Gooyers via email at jaimelynn.gooyers@wellingtoncdsb.ca for more information or just show up to the first practice!



KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS FAMILY BINGO NIGHTS

Come out and join the Knights of Columbus sponsored Fun Family Bingo Nights - **Saturday December 14 in the parish hall.** Doors open at 6pm. Bingo starts and doors close at 6:30pm, so arrive early to save your spot! Please bring your own snacks, drinks, bingo dabbers, tape and markers. Entrance fee is \$3.00 (to cover expenses). Bring your family and friends for a fun evening!

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS – CHRISTMAS CAKES

2024 Annual Christmas Cakes and Cookies Sales: Pre-order yours today! You can order at the church breakfast on October 27th, CWL Bazaar on November 9 or call/email Ray Bolton 519-261-1850 or raymondbolton402@yahoo.com or Jim Gouin 548-988-6294 or jgouin12010@hotmail.com.

CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

DATE: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

TIME: 9:00 AM TO 2:00 PM

Come out, bring a friend and enjoy baked goods, Attic Treasures, Silent Auction, Craft Table, Penny Table, Main Draw Tickets (cash prizes), Santa Photos & Touch & Take Gift Table. Delicious Lunch Menu – hot dogs, Homemade Pizza, Chili and more. Please remember to bring your own shopping bags.

The Ladies of the Catholic Women's League will be in the hall on Thurs. **November 7 from 9am to 6pm and Friday November 8 from 9am to 6pm.** to accept your donations for the Penny Table, Silent Auction Bake Table, Craft Boutique, and Attic Treasures. **Reminder that we will not except electronics, hard cover books, exercise equipment or used clothing as donations.** Bake Table Donations: any desserts, pies, squares, tarts muffins and any canning items would be greatly appreciated.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Shoeboxes will be available after all masses on November 2nd and 3rd. Boxes packed in Canada this year will go to El Salvador, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Senegal, The Gambia, Guinea-Bissau, Ukraine, Philippines and a new location, Cape Verde. Will you pack a shoebox for a boy or a girl? Choose an age category; 2-4, 5-9 or 10-13. Please try to include at least one item from each

category: Something to wear, something for hygiene (bar of soap, washcloth, toothbrush, hairbrush, razors, feminine hygiene etc), Something for school (fill a pencil case if you can!), Something to play with, something to love (doll or stuffie). Include a personal note and picture for the child and \$12 to cover the cost of shipping. Packed boxes and any donations will be collected the weekend of Nov 16-17. Tax receipts are available for monetary donations. Please donate loose items too - we hope to have a church packing party in 2025! Thank you for helping us spread love, hope and joy through a simple shoebox gift. Alissa & Chad Magwood and family. 519-820-7838.

THANK YOU – SILVERCREEK COMMUNITY MARKET

On behalf the Silvercreek Community Market we would like to thank St Joseph Parish for your continued support of our market. In total St Joseph gathered over **900lbs of food and \$165 in donations.** This will keep the market stocked for a few months.

DIOCESE VOCATIONS MONTH

October is Diocesan Vocations Month. Please pray for the men and women of our diocese who are discerning their vocations to marriage, priesthood, the permanent diaconate, the dedicated single life, and consecrated life, that is, as a consecrated virgin living in the world, or as a religious priest, brother or sister. Since it is also the month of Our Lady of the Rosary, you are encouraged to offer the Rosary, in particular, the Luminous Mysteries, for vocations. Blessed Virgin Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary and Mother of Vocations, pray for us!

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

Children are born helpless, so instinctively know how to cry to have their needs met. As they grow older, parents have to help them learn not to use crying as a way to get what they want, especially when what they want may not be essential! Gently helping them learn that “no” is an option for parents, makes the times you can say yes much more exciting. It also helps them understand that they cannot always have their way or what they want at any given moment. This makes their life, and yours, much calmer and happier. (From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

The Diocese of Hamilton provides formation for Extraordinary Ministers of Communion. This workshop is for parishioners new to this ministry or considering it and a good refresher for experienced ministers. Participants receive a mandate from the Bishop of Hamilton. The cost is \$30 and includes lunch. Workshops are offered on **Saturday, November 16, 2024, St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Burlington, ON, 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Saturday, November 23, 2024, St. John Parish, Kitchener, ON, 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Spanish)** Register through the Diocese of Hamilton website under Upcoming Events/Workshops: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2024/02/minister-of-the-word-formation-workshop-2/>

PRAY for VOCATIONS

O Mary, who raised your Divine Son with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, intercede for all young people, especially those clouded by doubt about their vocations.

May the light of grace pierce their hearts so they may answer your Son's call, especially those whom He is inviting to the priesthood and consecrated life. Amen


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