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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.

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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

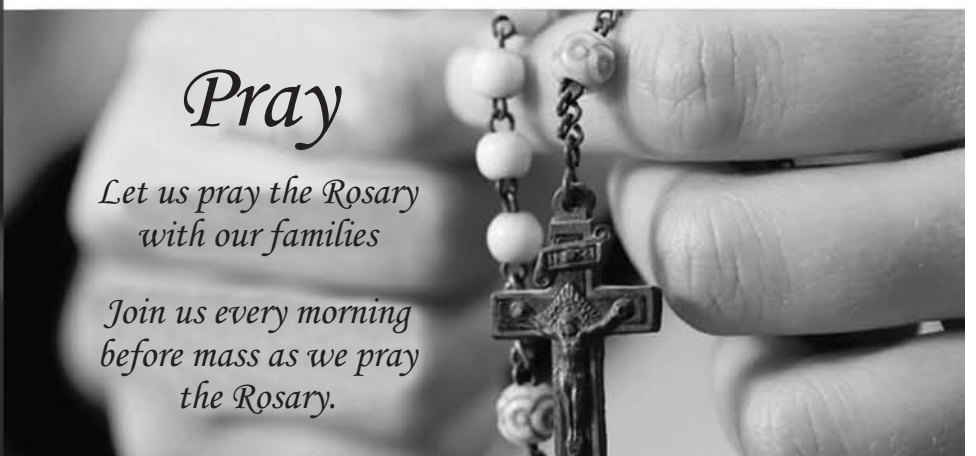
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PARISH STAFF

Reverend Jeff Bergsma, Pastor
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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.



TUESDAY, April 15th

8:00am + Augustin Tran
Intentions of Peter Tran

WEDNESDAY, April 16th

8:00am + Ronald Lefneski
8:30am to 11:00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00pm + Joan Ireland
+ Csaba Nagy-Zambo
7:30pm Stations of the Cross

THURSDAY, April 17th – Holy Thursday

7:00pm + Isagani Banez

FRIDAY, April 18th – Passion of Our Lord

11:00am Passion Liturgy
3:00pm Passion Liturgy
7:00pm Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, April 19th

8:00pm Easter Vigil

SUNDAY, April 20th – Resurrection of Our Lord

8:30am + Gerrit Kistemaker
10:15am + Anthony and John Baptist Tran
12noon All Parishioners



May God's peace be with those who have recently died, 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.

Passion (Palm) Sunday – April 13, 2025

Blessed are they who come in the Name of the Lord! Am I being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister? If God is calling you contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of April 13, 2025

Candle #1 – INTS of RYAN DRISCOLL

Candle #2 – INTS of MR and MRS JAMES DEAN

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 April 5/6	\$5,130.00
Loose Collection	\$1,371.00
Easter Flowers	\$180.00
Share Lent	\$3,263.00
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.



Easter Schedule

Wednesday April 16

All Day Confessions
8:30am to 6:30pm
All Day Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Lord's Passover - Thursday April 17

7:00pm
Adoration of Blessed Sacrament
7:45 – 11:00pm

Good Friday - April 18

11:00am and 3:00pm
Stations of the Cross 7pm

**Saturday April 19
12noon Blessing of Easter Foods
Easter Vigil - 8pm**

Easter Sunday April 20

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

SUNDAY REFLECTION

So much happens in today's Gospel – from Jesus' entry into Jerusalem amid the adoring crowd to the Passover meal with his disciples, to his betrayal by one of them, his arrest and trial on trumped-up charges, his denunciation by the crowd (turned fickle), his death sentence by Pilate, his flogging like a common criminal, his terrible and yet triumphant death on a cross and finally his burial. Knowing all this was to come, why does Jesus "eagerly desire" to share the Passover meal with his disciples? What does Jesus want the disciples (and us) to grasp?

At Passover today, Jewish families still retell the story of God's faithfulness in delivering them out of bondage in Egypt. Jesus calls his disciples to pay attention so that they will look back on the fearful events of the coming days and understand that his sacrificial death brings not only resurrection for him but also deliverance for them from the bondage that is associated with sin and death as far back as Adam and Eve.

Indeed, soon after Jesus' death and resurrection, his disciples began to share a common meal in remembrance of him. In the early Church this grew into our Eucharist. Today, as we receive the Eucharist, let us recall with great gratitude the sacrifice that Jesus made for us. *Excerpt from Living with Christ.*

THE SACRED TRIDUUM:

Sundown on Holy Thursday to sundown on Easter Sunday is considered the most solemn part of the liturgical year. This three-day period is referred to as the *Easter Triduum*, also known as the *Sacred Triduum*, or *Paschal Triduum*. The word "triduum" comes from the Latin word *triduum*, which comes from *tris* ("three") + *dies* ("day"). Basically, the Sacred Triduum is one great festival recounting the last three days of Jesus' life on earth, the events of his Passion and Resurrection, when the Lamb of God laid down his life in atonement for our sins.

It is known as the "Paschal Mystery" because it is the ultimate fulfillment of the ancient Jewish Passover (or Pasch), which itself was a recollection of how God brought the Jews out of their slavery in Egypt. The spotless lamb was slaughtered at the Passover meal and consumed—that same night the destroying angel "passed over" the homes marked with the blood of the Passover Lamb, and those covered by the Blood were saved. This was the Old Testament prefigurement of Jesus' work at the Last Supper—where he inserted himself as the Paschal Lamb—and Calvary, where the sacrifice was offered to save us from our slavery to sin. With the Holy Eucharist, we consume the victim that died for our sins.

The Paschal Mystery is, therefore, God's plan of redemption for the fallen human race through the passion, death, and resurrection of the God-man Jesus Christ. It is one marvelous event stretched out over three days. *Excerpt from Catholic Company*

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE UPCOMING EVENTS: **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE – ANNUAL BANQUET**

Come join us as we honour our long-standing members for their amazing years of dedicated service. All ladies welcome to attend. The banquet will take place on **Tuesday April 8, 2025 at 5pm**, Victoria East Golf Club. Tickets are \$45 each. Tickets are available by calling Marti Valeriotte (519-362-0555) or at the Parish Office.

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS **BOTTLE DRIVE – SAVE THE DATE**

Recycle your empty beer cans, bottles, wine & liquor bottles for St Joseph Knights of Columbus Charities Fundraiser. Start saving your empties, notify your neighbours and friends to drop their empties at St Joseph Parish back parking lot **on May 24th, 2 from 9:00am to 2:00pm**. More details to come closer to the date.

NOVENA OF THE DIVINE MERCY

The nine-day Novena of the Divine Mercy starting Good Friday April 18. **For each of the nine days, our Lord gave Saint Faustina a different intention:** All mankind, especially sinners; the souls of priests and religious; all devout and faithful souls; those who do not believe in God and those who do not yet know Jesus; the souls who have separated themselves from the Church; the meek and humble souls and the souls of little children; the souls who especially venerate and glorify His mercy; the souls detained in purgatory; and souls who have become lukewarm. **"I desire that during these nine days you bring souls to the fountain of My mercy, that they may draw therefrom strength and**

refreshment and whatever grace they have need of in the hardships of life, and especially at the hour of death" (Diary, 1209). All are welcome to join.

SCHEDULE FOR NOVENA

DAY 1 -APRIL 18 GOOD FRIDAY - Right after the 7pm Station of the Cross
DAY 2 - APRIL 19 HOLY SATURDAY 3:00 PM
DAY 3 - APRIL 20 EASTER SUNDAY 1:00 PM
DAY 4 - APRIL 21 MONDAY 6:00 PM
DAY 5 -APRIL 22 TUESDAY 6:00 PM
DAY 6 -APRIL 23 WEDNESDAY 7:30 PM
DAY 7 -APRIL 24 THURSDAY 6:30 PM
DAY 8 -APRIL 25 FRIDAY 7:30 PM
DAY 9 -APRIL 26 SATURDAY 3:00 PM

APRIL 27 "FEAST THE DIVINE MERCY"

1:30 PM -2:00 PM ADORATION – QUIET TIME WITH THE LORD: 2:00 PM - 2:50 PM HOLY ROSARY, CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY, QUIET TIME: 3:00 PM HOLY MASS - "FEAST OF THE DIVINE MERCY"

SEPARATED or DIVORCED?

Struggling with the impact of divorce or separation? You're not alone! Join the award-winning Critical Mass for an inspiring two-day retreat, where music, testimonies, and faith-filled discussions will guide you toward hope and healing. Don't miss this chance to reconnect with your faith and find strength in community—space is limited to 25 participants, so register early! We are offering a choice of two retreat weekends: Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Waterloo on May 23/24 or St. Catherine of Siena Parish in Hamilton on May 30/31. Friday evening from 6:45- 9:30 PM and Saturday from 8:45 – 4:00 PM. Register now by emailing davefromcm@gmail.com or calling 519-572-6962 or visiting <https://www.criticalmassmusic.org/tour-dates>. Cost is \$130 and includes materials, snacks and lunch; early bird special by April 30th of \$100.

PARISH LIFE COMMITTEE – CALENDAR OF EVENTS
MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW for the following upcoming initiatives:

May 24th - Knights of Columbus Bottle Drive: 9am to 2pm in parking lot beside the rectory.

May 24th - Volunteer Appreciation Evening: All volunteers from every Ministry are invited after 5pm Mass on Saturday. We want to thank all of you for your support in making St Joseph Parish a thriving community. Without your support we could not do it.

May 25th – Knights of Columbus Breakfast: after all Sunday Masses.

June 21st and 22nd - Good bye celebration for Fr Bergsma. All are welcome to come down after every Mass on the weekend to wish Fr Bergsma many blessings in his new assignment at St Anne's in Kitchener and to thank him for all the blessings he has given us over the 7years at St Joseph Parish.

June 29th - Pasta Dinner Fundraiser: Join us for a fabulous dinner at the Italian Canadian Club, Guelph. Tickets for the dinner will be \$70 – this covers the cost of food and you will also receive a **\$35 tax receipt**. The dinner will also include a silent auction, music, door prizes and more. These added touches will enhance the evening of fellowship and we can't forget the great tasting food that will be provided.

July 19, 2025 - Blue Jays Game: Come join us for a fabulous day at the ball park! Blue Jays vs San Francisco Giants. Tickets are \$120 (includes admission and bus).



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