

TWENTY- THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



TUESDAY, September 9th

7:30am Intentions of Danika and Yzabella Flores
Intentions of Stephen Tran
+ Peter Phung Tran
+ Anna Marie LaFontaine
Deceased Members of Reynolds, Golka and
Crawford Families
7:00pm Living and Deceased Members of CWL

WEDNESDAY, September 10th

7:30am + Danny Corr
8:30am to 9:30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00pm Intentions of John Michael Osbourne
+ Doug and Michelle MacLean
+ Ryan Driscoll
+ Agnes Cameron
All Souls in Purgatory

THURSDAY, September 11th

7:30am + Gerard Reynolds

FRIDAY, September 12th

7:30am Benny Monico
7:00pm Intentions of Isabel Pradas
7:30pm Divine Mercy Prayer

SATURDAY, September 13th

9:00am + Harry and Margaret Woods and Deceased
Family Members
5:00pm + Isabel Martins

SUNDAY, September 14th

8:30am + Alberto, Nicoletta and Freddie Veri
10:15am + Anthony and John Baptist Tran
12noon For Parishioners



May God's peace be with those who have recently died, especially **ANTONIO LUIS** 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.

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 31, 2025

Humble yourself and you will find favour with God. Are you being called to be a priest or deacon, brother or sister? Humbly ask the Lord if He 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 September 7, 2025

Candle #1 – + ALCUIN DEAN

Candle #2 – + ANTHONY TRAN and ALL SOULS

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 August 30/31 \$4,632.00

Loose Collection \$1,209.15

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

Today's scriptures seem to have a theme. It starts with a how-to on relationships with those in authority, both those who might be opposed to us and acquaintances. The first reading gives a

prescription for diplomacy – not to go along to get along, but a how-to in fostering good ties.

Jesus upends this. The cost to follow him will mean breaking ties. There are times when relationships must be risked. The loss could be profound indeed, a complete break from family, friends or community. We have brothers and sisters in the Lord who have sacrificed this to follow Christ. Their heartache is real. Only Jesus can bring comfort in such a situation. But true to his word Jesus' love also transforms relationships and, if followed, eventually whole societies. Paul gives us a glimpse of this powerful redemptive love when he calls a runaway slave who robbed his master a brother of Christ, an equal in the kingdom of God. Another family, another community emerges.

The love of Christ reconfigures relationships. It takes us from diplomatic survival practices to a new human family. There can be a difficult cross to carry in making a choice for Christ. But there is comfort in Paul's words: "Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a while, so that you might have him back forever." *Excerpt from Living with Christ.*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

St. Joseph's Parish at 409 Paisley Road in Guelph is providing in-person Religious Catechism Classes for the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation for students who attend public or private schools from grade 1 through to grade 7. It is also open to those children whose parents wish to have their children learn more about their Catholic Faith. Classes are every Tuesday from 6:30 to 7:30 pm starting **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH 2025** and run through to May 2026. For more information, please contact Donna Haley at 519-831-6451 or email: religionsedstjosephguelph@gmail.com

INTERNATIONAL FAMILY FIESTA

Once again, we are having our International Family Fiesta on **Saturday, September 27th** following the 5pm Mass. If you “live” your culture and cook traditional foods, we would love to experience them in the Church Hall that evening. This will be a potluck style event where each group will have their own table of foods, flags and favours – come sample their foods! Also, if you want to contribute musically, we are encouraging this. Good will offering is accepted. We hope to see you there.



ST JOSEPH KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS EXEMPLIFICATION CEREMONY

St. Joseph Knights of Columbus Council 10631 is holding an Exemplification ceremony, **September 10, 2025, at 7:30 pm**, in the St Joseph Church basement hall. The ceremony takes about 30 minutes. Our council will also be holding a membership meeting with a potluck dessert the same evening. All candidates, Catholic Men, Family and Friends, are welcome. The Exemplification ceremony is an introduction to the Principles of Charity, Unity and Fraternity which is at the core of being a Knight. The ceremony is also an opportunity to meet and dialogue with your new brothers who are committed to serving God, our Church and our Community with the leadership of our Parish Priest. For more info, you can phone Ray at 519-261-1850 or email raymondbolton004@gmail.com Thank You.

Bishop Crosby's 50th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination

His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, will celebrate the 50th anniversary with the Eucharist on **Saturday, September 27th, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.** in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. Refreshments and an opportunity to greet the Bishop in McNally Hall following Mass. All are welcome.

September 20th: Annual Memorial for the Pre-Born

All are invited to join us for a special time of prayer and remembrance of pre-born children whose lives were tragically ended through abortion. The event will take place on **September 20th at 3:00 PM** in the Garden of Grace, located at 26 Norfolk St., Guelph.

Young Adult Pilgrimage to Midland – Jubilee of Hope

Calling all young adults! Join us for a special day pilgrimage to the **Martyrs' Shrine in Midland, Ontario** as we journey together in the spirit of the **Jubilee of Hope**. This is a chance to connect with others, deepen your faith, and walk in the footsteps of the Canadian martyrs.

Date: Saturday, September 27, 2025

Departure Time: 8:00 am

Departure Location: Chancery Office, Diocese of Hamilton (700 King Street West)

Cost: \$40.00 per person

Includes: Transportation, entry to the Shrine, time for prayer, reflection, fellowship, and celebration of Mass, BBQ Dinner ahead of departure. All young adults (20's & 30's) are welcome. Space is limited, so register early! **To register or learn more, contact:** Christina Mines, Director of Evangelization and Catechesis catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com or www.hamiltondiocese.com/events Come and be renewed in hope!

GUELPH RIGHT TO LIFE - FUNDRAISER

Guelph Storm Fundraiser – Tickets Available! Support Guelph

and Area Right to Life by purchasing a voucher to attend a Guelph Storm game at the Sleeman Centre. Tickets are \$20.00 each and valid for one of the following games:

- Sept. 26 – Guelph vs. Oshawa
- Oct. 3 – Guelph vs. Saginaw
- Oct. 10 – Guelph vs. North Bay
- Oct. 17 – Guelph vs. Owen Sound
- Oct. 24 – Guelph vs. Kingston

Each voucher includes a unique code and instructions to claim your seat online. Redeem early for the best seats! To purchase, email info@guelphforlife.com with your preferred date(s) and quantity.

RCIA 2025-2026

Are you, or someone you know, interested in becoming a Catholic, or completing your sacraments of Initiation (First Communion and/or Confirmation)? If so, then the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is for you. The RCIA is a journey of faith delving into the riches of our Catholic Tradition, and preparing people for Baptism, Reception into the Catholic Church, or completion of the Sacraments of Initiation at Easter. **The journey begins in September 2025 and will culminate at the Easter Vigil in April 2026. Registration is now open for the 2025-2026 season.** Please call the Basilica's Parish Office to register at (519) 824-3951. Please register early.



GIVE THE GIFT OF GIVING

We rely entirely on donations from our parishioners to help us fulfill our mission of providing a spiritual home where people can come to worship God, receive the Sacraments, and learn about His teachings. Leaving a gift to the Church is a profound way to return to the Lord a share of the blessings you received during your life. A bequest to the Church helps accomplish the mission entrusted to us by Christ. As the Church was there for you in your lifetime, you can now provide for your Church's future ministry to others. **THANK YOU** for considering to make a donation to our Parish.

4 WAYS TO GIVE TO ST JOSEPH PARISH

1. **ONLINE DONATION:** make a donation by going to <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/12980>
2. **PRE-AUTHORIZATION:** this allows you to set up weekly or monthly donations to the parish. If you are interested in donating this way, please contact the Parish Office for more details
3. **BEQUEST:** A bequest in your Will to our Church is an acknowledgment of your returning to God a portion of the gifts He has bestowed on you during your lifetime.
4. **LIFE INSURANCE:** Giving a gift through life insurance is a unique way to provide the Church with truly meaningful support in a very economical way by naming St Joseph

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God, the source of creation and love, You invite each of us to serve you through the life which is your gift. May your grace encourage men and women to heights of holiness through service to the Church as priests, sisters, brothers and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen