

# St. Joseph Catholic Parish

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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

#### **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**

Very Reverend Jeff Bergsma, Pastor Tracy Bolzon, Office Administrator Zofia Gadzinska, Bookkeeper Chad Magwood, Maintenance



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 JPII



Pray

Let us pray the Rosary
with our families

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



#### MONDAY, March 14th

7:00pm + Jovito Tiomico

#### TUESDAY, March 15th

8:00am + Martha Pretzel

+ Anne McLaren

+ Dung Vu

**Intentions of Debbie Pascua Intentions of Therese Tran** 

**End of Pandemic** 

7:00pm + Tony Kerigan

#### WEDNESDAY, March 16th

8:00am + Joseph Kosior 7:00pm + Conrado Quintano

> + Don Baran + Pam Ketchabaw

+ Bert Damaren

**Deceased Members of Lauzon Family** 

STATIONS OF THE CROSS - after Mass

#### THURSDAY, March 17th

8:00am + Maria Madalena Quy Dinh

7:00pm Intentions of Daniel

#### FRIDAY, March 18th

8:00am + Anne McLaren 7:00pm + Jovita Tiomico

#### SATURDAY, March 19th

9:00am Intentions of Tran Family

5:00pm + Brigitta and Thomas Tam Tran

#### SUNDAY, March 20tth

8:30am For Parishioners 10:15am + Joseph Orobono 12:00noon + Pham Van Giau



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.

#### Second Sunday of Lent - March 13, 2022

Peter, John and James had a mountaintop experience with Jesus by witnessing His transfiguration. We too can have a mountaintop experience when we open our minds and hearts to following God's Will for our lives. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton (905-528-7988).

Email: <a href="mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com">vocations@hamiltondiocese.com</a>/vocations/



#### **INTENTIONS FOR SANCTUARY CANDLES**

Week of March 13, 2022

Candle #1 - BOLZON FAMILY

**Candle #2** – **HOLMAN FAMILY** 

Please use the envelopes provided or one of your own to 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 Offerings for March 5/6

\$7,755.35

#### 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

Lent is a time for us to turn our hearts to God. It can be a time of prayer and personal sacrifice, practices that remind us of Jesus' time in the desert, and ultimately his death on the cross. These practices also help us to discern the will of the Father at work in our lives. Our Intentions to follow Christ must be genuine and not superficial. In today's second reading Paul writes to the Philippians, criticizing those who appear righteous in following the laws but ultimately lack a moral compass. Paul offers hope, promising that human weakness will be "conformed to the body of [Christ's] glory." He encourages the Philippians to imitate him and others who follow Christ: "Stand firm, my beloved, in the Lord." Paul's own devoted imitation of Christ can be for us a wonderful model of a good Christian.

In the Gospel, we see Jesus going up the mountain to pray. As he is transfigured, we learn that Jesus is following the will of the Father: "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" We are children of God, and God is pleased whenever we follow his will to the best of our ability. If we are faithful, we will, like Jesus, rise to be with him in the time to come. *Excerpt from Living with Christ.* 

#### ST JOSEPH NOVENA

We will be partaking in the Novena to St Joseph starting **Friday, March 11 at 7pm** during the Mass. The following dates will follow:

Saturday, March 12 at 5pm Sunday, March 13 at all Masses; Monday to Friday (March 14 to 18) at 7pm Saturday, March 19 at 5pm All are welcome to join.



#### EASTER FLOWERS

Would you like your loved one(s) remembered at Easter? Just make a donation towards the Easter flowers, and we will post their names on our website and remember them in our prayers during Easter. Please use envelope that is in your collection box or a blank envelop with Easter

Flowers on outside along with your loved one's name clearly printed. Please drop off in collection box or Parish Office by April  $5^{th}$ .

#### **DEVELOPMENT and PEACE**

Development and Peace's People and Planet First campaign celebrates what solidarity can achieve, even against seemingly impossible odds. In Madagascar, for instance, Development and Peace's partner, the Development Council of Andohatapenaka (CDA), empowers people to manage and transform their neighbourhoods.

In the capital region, which is afflicted by flooding and poor waste management, CDA has helped the residents of one vulnerable area to turn their environs into a thriving ecological village. Today, each of the 50 households involved in the project has a vegetable garden, a stove and solar panel. This transformation reflects a true ecological conversion. Consider donating during the Solidarity Sunday collections on the weekend of April 3.

#### **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

We are happy to announce that we will be holding our first in-person general meeting since the pandemic on **Tuesday March 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm** in the church hall. We hope to see you all there. The elevator doors will be open if you need to use and the side glass doors will be open. Masks are still mandatory.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - HELP NEEDED

Knights of Columbus are holding an Easter Raffle with all proceeds going <u>Ukraine Solidarity Fund</u>. (You can donate directly by clicking on the link. There are over 30 prizes in the raffle such as baked goods, gift cards, gift baskets, and a wide array of household items in the draw. More prizes are being added all the time. Go to our website at <a href="https://kofcguelph10631.com/">https://kofcguelph10631.com/</a> to see prizes. Draw will be on Easter Monday, April 18th. Raffle Numbers (tickets) are available for \$2 for 1, \$5 for 3 or \$10 for 7. Raffle License # M815581

You will be able **to purchase numbers or donate funds** by phoning or e-mailing one of the following:
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Larry Colero at 519-827-9737 or <a href="mailto:coleri1955@icloud.com">coleri1955@icloud.com</a>
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## Payment for tickets or can be made by one of the following methods:

- E-transfer to <a href="mailto:coleri1955@icloud.com">coleri1955@icloud.com</a>
- Money or cheque made out to Knights of Columbus Council 10631. Use a blank envelope with your payment. Simply write your name, phone # and number of raffle numbers (tickets) or your willingness to donate the funds to the Ukraine Solidarity Fund on the envelope. Please do not use your church envelope when dropping off at your Church collection basket or Office.

#### MARRIAGE SUPPORT

Is your marriage experience more trouble than joy, feeling stagnant or disconnected and/or causing you worries? The solution is Retrouvaille - a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works we couples who may be considering separation or divorce. The next

Retrouvaille weekend begins March 13, 2022. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com.

#### PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

Lent is a time of reflection for all Catholics and a perfect season to help children understand why we engage in prayer, works of charity, care for all and practicing self-control, since all of these can bring us closer to God. Spend time on your Lenten journey as a family by attending Mass and discussing, in simple language, the readings you hear. Decide as a family on prayers and reflections to engage in each day of Lent and together look at how your family might use their resources to give to others. Your children can bring hope to the hearts of others during Lent and their spiritual journey will be enhanced by your presence and guidance. Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

#### **Evenings with His Excellency, Bishop Lobsinger**

Join Auxiliary Bishop, Wayne Lobsinger, for *Evenings with His Excellency*, an opportunity to learn more and ask questions about our Catholic Faith. You may attend online or in person at Canadian Martyrs Parish, Hamilton, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of every month from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. For more information, visit:

https://www.canadianmartyrshamilton.com/upcoming/2021/9/10/evenings-with-his-excellency

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#### MEDITATIONS – HENRI NOUWEN SOCIETY –

A Converted Life

Living a spiritual life

requires a change of heart, a conversion. Such a conversion may be marked by a sudden inner change, or it can take place through a long, quiet process of transformation. But it always involves an inner experience of oneness. We realize that we are in the center, and that from there all that is and all that takes place can be seen and understood as part of the mystery of God's life with us. Our conflicts and pains, our tasks and promises, our families and friends, our activities and projects, our hopes and aspirations, no longer appear to us a fatiguing variety of things that we can barely keep together, but rather as affirmations and revelations of the new life of the Spirit in us. "All these other things," which so occupied and preoccupied us, now come as gifts or challenges that strengthen and deepen the new life that we have discovered. This does not mean that the spiritual life makes things easier or takes our struggles and pains away. The lives of Jesus' disciples clearly show that suffering does not diminish because of conversion. Sometimes it even becomes more intense. But our attention is no longer directed to the "more or less." What matters is to listen attentively to the Spirit and to go obediently where we are being led, whether to a joyful or a painful place.

Poverty, pain, struggle, anguish, agony, and even inner darkness may continue to be part of our experience. They may even be God's way of purifying us. But life is no longer boring, resentful, depressing, or lonely because we have come to know that everything that happens is part of our way to the Father.

For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us."

2 CORINTHIANS 4:6,7



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