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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

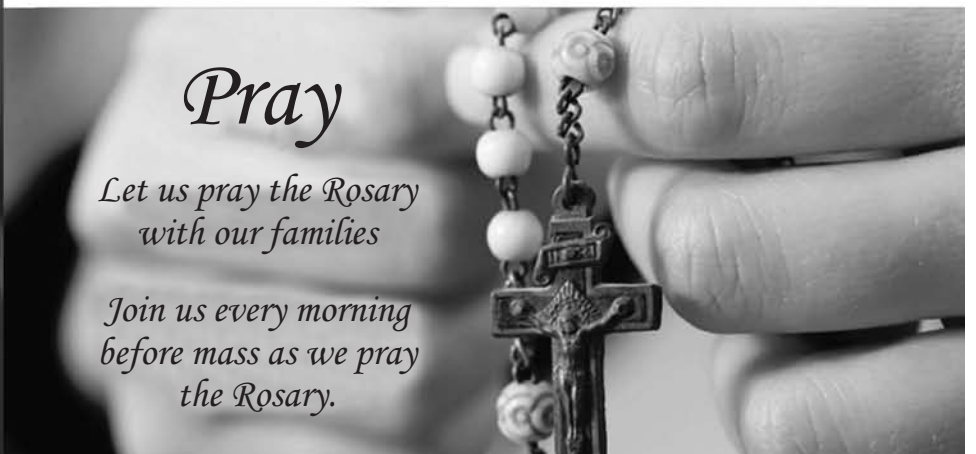
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Very Reverend Jeff Bergsma, Pastor
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Saint Joseph was a just man, a tireless worker, the upright guardian of those entrusted to his care. May he always guard, protect and enlighten families.

- ST JP II



Pray

Let us pray the Rosary with our families

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

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



MONDAY, February 20th – Family Day

9:00am + Ray Litwak

TUESDAY, February 21st

8:00am + Jennie Beitz
+ Donnie Forester
+ Tony Moreira
Intentions of David and Anne Marie Turalija

WEDNESDAY, February 22nd - ASH WEDNESDAY

8:00am + Ted Christie
8:30am to 11:00am – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
12:00pm + Eliza Maria Geremia
7:00pm + Mary-Jane Warner
+ Dina Bellantoni
+ Eligio Alcantara
Intentions of Theresa Heeley
Intentions of Eugenia and Tadeusz Lyko

THURSDAY, February 23rd

8:00am + Dominic Bao Dinh and Rosa Xuan Dinh

FRIDAY, February 24th

8:00am Intentions of Anitta and Rinoy
7:00pm + Luigi Piacompo

SATURDAY, February 25th

9:00am + Peter Lefneski
5:00pm Living and Deceased Members of Huber and Haley Families

SUNDAY, February 26th

8:30am Intentions of Emily Orlando
10:15am For Parishioners
12:00noon + Anicia Buella

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

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 19, 2023

"Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect." Do you feel called to help people get closer to God? If you think God is calling you to be a, priest, deacon, brother or sister or consecrated virgin, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com
www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

INTENTIONS FOR SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of February 19, 2023

Candle #1 – ANTHONY TRAN +

Candle #2 – BRIGITTA and THOMAS TRAN +

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 Envelope Offering February 11/12 \$6,839.05

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

Every morning I pray for the grace to recognize their face of God in each person I will encounter that day. Does that include someone who disagrees with me, or dislikes me or even seeks to harm me?

Jesus' teaching in today's Gospel is clear and uncompromising: "Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you." These are surely among the most challenging words in Scripture!

The catastrophic experiences which define our contemporary world – a global pandemic, the growing climate crisis, deep-seated racism and other forms of hatred – all bring to light the divisions among people and societies, differences which may seem insurmountable.

I think what Jesus is challenging us to do today is to break down the barriers that divide us. The magnitude of the crises facing our world requires that we overcome our differences in order to work together on solutions. We will never agree on everything, but to see the Other as a human being beloved of God rather than demonizing them as the "enemy" is a good first step. In fact, a loved enemy is no longer an enemy! As much as we may disagree with someone's position or disapprove of their actions, we are nevertheless called to recognize them as a cherished child of God. Authentic discipleship requires no less. *Excerpt from Living with Christ.*

LENTON SEASON IS BEGINNING - ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Season of Lent. It is a season of penance, reflection, and fasting which prepares us for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday, through which we attain redemption. Our Ash Wednesday masses will be **February 22 at 8:00am, 12:00noon and 7:00pm.** "Remember, Man is dust, and unto dust you shall return."

2022 TAX RECEIPTS – NOW AVAILABLE

2022 Tax receipts are now available for pick-up at the back of the church after all Masses.

**CHILDREN's LITURGY 10:15 Mass –
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We are looking for volunteers to get this program up and running. Children are brought down to the church hall for a simplified message of the Scripture readings for that day and encouraged to share that message with their parents after Mass. If you have questions or would like more information on this program, please contact Donna Haley at 519-822-9742.

THE IRISH EYES ARE SMILING

We are inviting *all the Irish and those who wish to be*, to a fun night of Irish Dance, Music by Travel-Worn, dancers from Finnigan School of Irish Dance, Food and Frolicking. Please mark your calendar for **Friday March 17, 2023 at Guelph Country Club. Cocktails at 5:30pm and Dinner at 6:30pm.** Tickets are \$40 each and available at the parish office or through **Brian Brady, Marti Valeriotte or Pat Grosicki.** All families and friends are invited.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Knights of Columbus Council 10631 at St. Joseph's Parish will hold an Easter Raffle in 2023 with all proceeds going to the **Ukraine Solidarity Fund** as the support for refugees continues to grow. See link for more information: <https://www.kofc.org/en/what-we-do/charity/ukraine.html>

We urgently need your help:

We are reaching out to our Parish and greater community for any donations that can be used as prizes for the 2023 Easter Raffle, such as baked goods, gift cards and new household items. If you have something to donate, please contact one of the Knights listed below as soon as possible.

- Ray Bolton at 519-261-1850 / e-mail raymondbolton402@yahoo.com
- Larry Colero at 519-827-9737 / e-mail coleri1955@icloud.com
- Harry Jansen at 519-564-9804 / e-mail harry_j_jansen@hotmail.com
- Savio DeSouza at 416-618-3791 / e-mail savioleon@gmail.com
- Jim Gouin at 548-988-6294 / e-mail jgouin12010@hotmail.com

Deadline for donations is February 28th. The draw will be on Saturday, April 22nd at a Pot-Luck dinner so mark your calendar. Anyone interested in contributing to the dinner can contact us as well. If you would like to help selling tickets or have an interest in joining Knights of Columbus please contact Ray Bolton at 519-261-1850 or e-mail raymondbolton402@yahoo.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – FUN FAMILY BINGO

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 10631 on **February 26th, 2023** in the Parish Hall. The hall will be opened at 1:30pm and doors closed at 2pm - please arrive early. Please bring your own snacks and drinks, Bingo dabbers, markers etc. \$2/strip. **(Please have change with you)** A trip consists of 3 cards x 10 games, 1 strip per person, additional strips maybe available pending on participation. No cash prizes but prizes will be awarded. **COME JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF FUN!**

40 DAYS FOR LIFE GUELPH

The 40 Days for Life Guelph Campaign begins **Wednesday, February 22, 2023!** Unite together for 40 days of prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil. Learn more, get involved and sign up for prayer times by visiting 40daysforlife.com/guelph. or by calling 519-836-6311.

MEDITATIONS – HENRI NOUWEN SOCIETY –

Claim Your Truth

It seems crucial that you realize deeply that your worth and value does not depend on anyone else. You have to claim your own inner truth. You are a person worth being loved and called to give love, not because anyone says so . . . but because you are created out of love and live in the embrace of a God who didn't hesitate to send his only son to die for us. . . . Your being good and worthy of love does not depend on any human being. You have to keep saying to yourself: "I am being loved by an unconditional, unlimited love and that love allows me to be a free person, center of my own actions and decisions." The more you can come to realize this, the more you will be able to forgive those who have hurt you and love them in their brokenness. Without a deep feeling of self-respect, you cannot forgive and will always feel anger, resentment, and revenge. The greatest human act is forgiveness: "Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned against us." Forgiveness stands in the center of God's love for us and also in the center of our love for each other. Loving one another means forgiving one another over and over again.

REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL

Join the **Reel Justice Film Festival February 23, 2023 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM** for a film screening featuring two short films that highlight challenges and approaches to affordable housing. ***A Better Tent City*** follows a group of dedicated individuals, including those living rough, service providers, community members and municipal staff, working together to create a self-organized housing community in Kitchener, ON. ***Safe*** explores the housing and opioid crises through the stories of tenants that live in Indwell affordable housing units, available for people experiencing poverty because of their mental health and/or substance use disorders, in Hamilton, London, Woodstock, Simcoe and Mississauga. Both films focus on the necessity for low barrier housing, community building, and respect for our shared home. A special discussion following the screening with **Fr. Toby Collins, C.R., Pastor at St. Mary, Kitchener** speaking about his work and ministry with **Tiny Homes and A Better Tent City**, as well as with **Jess Brand, Indwell regional manager for Hamilton** discussing the community engagement, programs, and initiatives offered through Indwell to provide supportive affordable housing. **The screening and discussion will be hosted online. R.S.V.P. and view our full schedule of events at: reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/**

LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY "Empowered to Stand"

Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Toronto. Join the Catholic Renewal Ministry on **Saturday, March 4, 2023.** Variety of speakers. Closing Mass celebrated by Cardinal Thomas Collins. Tickets \$25 and bus tickets are \$18. **For tickets and bus transportation please call: Ana Percic 519 824 8456.**

YOUNG ADULTS' NIGHT - March 4th – Waterloo

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and early 30s) of our diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), Social with Food (7:30pm-8:30pm), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) at St. Michael's Catholic Church (80 University Avenue West, Waterloo, ON). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.



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