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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

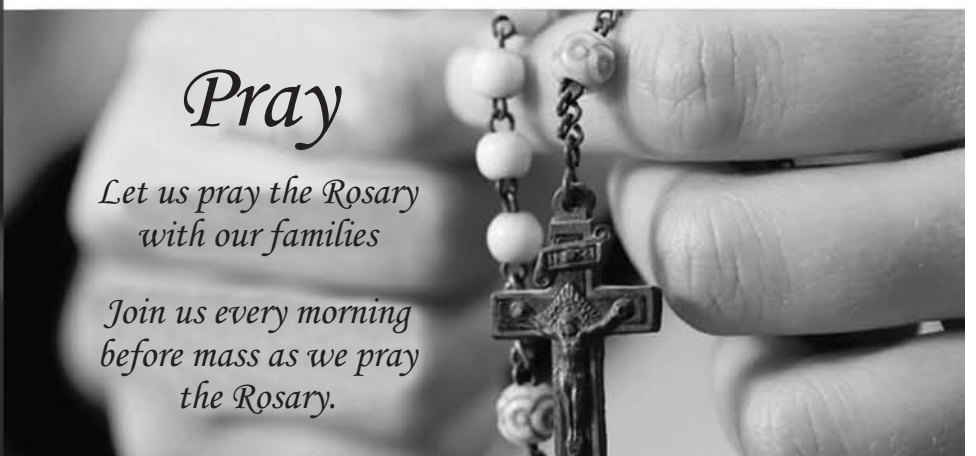
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Reverend Jeff Bergsma, Pastor
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Saint Joseph was a just man, a tireless worker, the upright guardian of those entrusted to his care. May he always guard, protect and enlighten families.

- ST JP II



Pray

Let us pray the Rosary with our families

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

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



TUESDAY, September 10th

8:00am + Brigitta and Thomas Tam Tran
+ Freda Tonelli
+ Bernardino and Lolita Tibudan
7:00pm Deceased Members of CWL

WEDNESDAY, September 11th

8:00am Intentions of Nguyen Family
8:30am - 11:00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00pm + Doug and Michelle MacLean
+ Paciencia Quintano and Deceased
Family Members
+ Jerry Liesemer
+ Isagani Banez
All Souls

THURSDAY, September 12th

8:00am All Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY, September 13th – St John Chrysostom, Bishop

8:00am Intentions of Francis Rogers
7:00pm + Jacqueline Dupuis

SATURDAY, September 14th - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

9:00am + Anthony and John Baptist Tran
5:00pm + Alloysius D'Cruz

SUNDAY, September 15th

8:30am + Pietro and Elena Gemin
10:15am + Rita DaMaren
12noon + Corzan Entice and Julius Caesar



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.

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 8, 2024

Did not God choose those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the Kingdom? Count your blessings, then come and help others count theirs too, as a priest, religious or deacon. If you feel you have such a vocation, call **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988** or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of September 8, 2024

Candle #1 – INTS of MARTI VALERIOTE

Candle #2 – INTS of PAT GROSICKI

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 Offering September 1	\$4,310.40
Loose Collection	\$1,221.30
Pre-Authorized Month of August	\$7,157.00

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

Oh, the power of a simple word! "Ephphatha!" Jesus says in today's Gospel and with that one word, the deaf man's life changes forever. No longer would he be set apart, isolated from everyone around him. No more would he have to endure the looks that said his disability was somehow his own fault. "Be open," Jesus commands, and his life begins anew.

And what about his friend, those who had brought him to Jesus? They would have been familiar with the words of the prophets, like Isaiah in the first reading, who spoke of the coming of God as a time when the ears of the deaf would be unstopped and the speechless would sing for joy. Imagine their amazement, then, when it happened to one of their own, in their very midst. To them, too, Jesus speaks: Ephphatha! Be open, always to the signs that God is right here among you. We hear the same word spoken in today's celebration: Ephphatha! Perhaps we need to open ourselves to the surprising ways God enters our lives anew, disguised in the ordinary events of each day. Or we need to be open to new ways in which we are being called to bring God's love into a world wounded by division and despair. With gratitude and humility, we pray for hearts open to hear God's call. *Excerpt from Living with Christ.*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM –

IN-PERSON CLASSES REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

St Joseph Church 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 6:30pm to 7:30pm starting **September 10, 2024 and runs through to May 2025**. For more information please contact Donna Haley at 519-831-6451. Registration forms are on the website under [Parish Life/Ministries](#).

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE – MEETING

We welcome everyone back from your summer break! CWL General Meeting will take place on **Tuesday September 10 at 7:30pm in the church hall**. Come and renew friendships, join in our fellowship and find out about all the great things planned for this fall. All are welcome to attend.

CWL Civic Evening of Spirituality

Tuesday, October 8 with Mass at 5:30 pm followed by dinner at 6:15 pm and a speaker. Cost is \$20/person. Lasagna Dinner with caesar salad and carrot cake for dessert. **We are very pleased to have Archbishop Emeritus Thomas Cardinal Collins as the celebrant of the mass and our guest speaker.** St. Joseph's CWL will be hosting the other Guelph CWL leagues and our Knights of Columbus and BLD Group. Tickets for CWL members only will be available until September 15. Tickets can be purchased from Sharon at (519) 821-4505, Evelyn at (519) 993-7304, or from the Parish Office. Tickets will then be available to members of the Knights of Columbus and BLD Group so get your tickets now and don't be disappointed. Limited seating.

**KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS
SEMI-ANNUAL BOTTLE DRIVE**

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 October 19th from 9:00am to 3:00pm**. You can also cash in your empties prior and put your donation in an envelope marked K of C Bottle Drive in the church collection basket or by dropping it off at the parish office. You can also e-transfer your donation to the Treasurer at: coleri1955@icloud.com – please add message that the transfer is for bottle drive. For more information please contact Peter at 519-763-8753 or Ray at 519-261-1850. Participants will receive a draw ticket for a \$50 gift card from Puffles. For more information regarding the chairites who are benefiting see our website: www.kofcguelph.com.



KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS – GUELPH STORM HOCKEY

Attention Guelph Storm fans – you can save \$5.00 when you buy a ticket for games in October (4th, 11th, 18th, 19th, and 25th). Call Terry at 519-766-0808 or Ray at 519-261-1850 or Paul at 226-343-4030 for more information. Ticket cost is \$20.00.

DIOCESAN MARIAN DAYS

The Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, the Diocesan Marian Shrine, will be hosting the Diocesan Marian Days on the first Saturdays from June to October. The day begins at 9:00 a.m. and concludes at noon. The presiders for these days will be Bishop Daniel Miehm (October 5) See the Diocesan website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2024/05/marian-days/> for more information.

BOOK STUDY OF "RETURN: HOW TO DRAW YOUR CHILD BACK TO THE CHURCH"

Parents are invited to come out and experience the information in the book "RETURN - How to Draw Your Child Back to the Church" by Brandon Vogt. This knowledge takes away the myths about why young people leave the Church. It presents a step-by-step plan for helping them to return to the Church. Gatherings will take place on Tuesday mornings at 29 Oak St., Guelph from 10

a.m.-12 noon for **six weeks from September 17- October 22**. For further information, contact Justina Slocombe at 519-821-7222.



MARY QUEEN OF FAMILIES

Saturday September 21st, 2024 @ 1:00 pm at Marymount Cemetery & Our Lady Immaculate Mausoleum.

Everyone is invited to join us in celebrating our devotion to Our Blessed Mother. Come and share in this special occasion with us! Mass will be held at

1:00 PM, followed by a Rosary Procession around the grounds (weather permitting). For those who have difficulty walking, the Mausoleum will be available for participation in saying the Rosary. After the Rosary, we will enjoy refreshments and fellowship.

**J.O.E (Job Opportunities, Enterprise)
FUNDRAISING PASTA DINNER**

A Registered Charity that, since 2013, has been committed to providing adults with developmental disabilities, the opportunity to engage in job training and valued employment in the mainstream workforce. Come join them at their **Pasta Dinner on Saturday September 21st, at Holy Rosary Parish Hall, 165 Emma Street, Guelph**, as we celebrate 11 years of success and build toward a future of hope and promise. The Pasta Dinner will be prepared by well-known Chef, Michael Macerollo. **Tickets are \$50 each, which includes a \$30 Charitable Donation Receipt, and are available for purchase at Holy Rosary Parish Office, between 8:30 – 3:30 weekdays.** Doors open at 5:30 PM and Dinner is served at 6:30 PM. Please contact Josephine Scott at 519-837-9938, if you have any questions.

YOUTH MINISTERS RETREAT

The annual Youth Ministers' Retreat for the Diocese of Hamilton will be held the weekend of Friday, September 27th to Sunday, September 29th at Mount Mary Retreat Centre. The retreat is open to all those who minister to young people within the diocese. Information and registration about the retreat can be found at hamiltondiocese.com or contacting youthministry@hamiltondiocese.com.

MEDITATIONS – HENRI NOUWEN SOCIETY

Live Without Division Between Word and Action



In Jesus, no division existed between his words and his actions, between what he said and what he did. Jesus' words were his action, his words were events. They not only spoke about changes, cures, new life, but they actually created them. In this sense, Jesus is truly the Word made flesh; in that Word all is created and by that Word all is re-created.

Saintliness means living without division between word and action. If I would truly live in my own life the word I am speaking, my spoken words would become actions, and miracles would happen whenever I open my mouth. **"May the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Your sight..."** PSALM 19:14 (NIV)

"The only true riches are those that make us rich in virtue – St Gregory the Great



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