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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

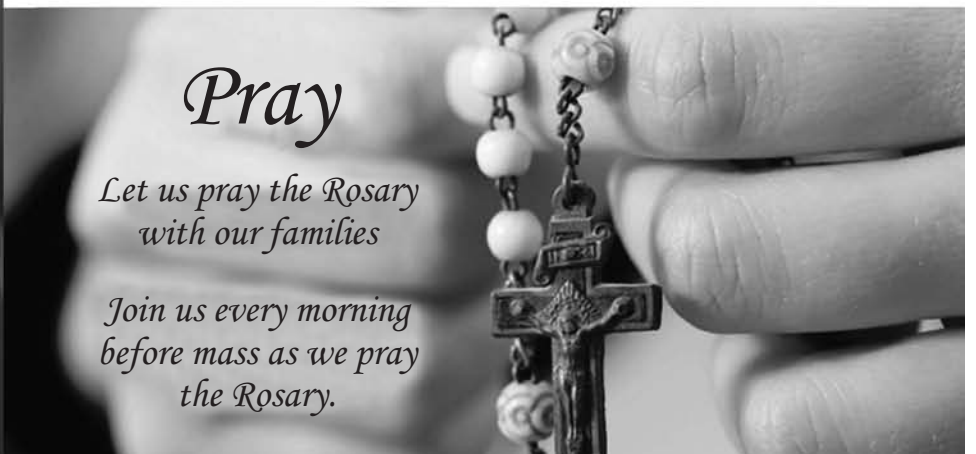
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Reverend Jeff Bergsma, Pastor
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Saint Joseph was a just man, a tireless worker, the upright guardian of those entrusted to his care. May he always guard, protect and enlighten families.

- ST JP II



Pray

Let us pray the Rosary with our families

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

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



TUESDAY, November 28th

8:00am + Lucia Dinh Suy
+ Vincent Taon Dinh
+ Robin Simkin
+ Hoang Ngo
Intentions of Cecile Silverio

WEDNESDAY, November 29th

8:00am + Peter Brady
8:30-11:00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00pm + Kazimierz Kilian
+ Ramon Pradas
+ Rafael and Anecita Arcangel
Intentions of Daniel Hurlbut
Intentions of Austin Varghese

THURSDAY, November 30th – St Andrew

8:00am Intentions of Rinoy, Anitta, Rinu and Andrew

FRIDAY, December 1st

8:00am Intentions of Therese Tran
7:00pm Intentions of Gio Tavora

SATURDAY, December 2nd

9:00am Intentions of KJ Augustine
5:00pm + Peter Lefneski

SUNDAY, December 3rd

8:30am + Elda Veri
10:15am + Lido and Elisa Bot
12:00noon Deceased Members of Pradas Family



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.

Christ the King - November 26, 2023

"Lord, when was it that we saw you ...?" Have you heard the Lord as well? If God is calling you to serve as 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/

SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of November 26, 2023

Candle #1 – INTS of ALL THE POOR

Candle #2 – THANKSGIVING TO ST JOSEPH

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 Nov 18/19 \$ 5,474.91
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

In today's readings we are invited to reflect on the image of Christ – our King. This may evoke different ideas for us. For some, it reminds us of a story we read in our childhood, while for others it brings to mind their study of kings of past historical era. The idea of a king may see paradoxical given our society's emphasis on equality. Yet the idea of someone with the ability to rise above who can grant special favours is also a part of this idea.

Imagine a king so capable of granting gifts and requests that other kings seek him out. A king of kings ready to answer our deepest desires. While holding this image in mind, consider the words Christ the King in the Gospel today: "Come, you that are blessed by the Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." Is it possible that through these words he is granting us a favour we are seeking, in the form of an answer to these deepest desires? Today let us reflect on Christ the King, Jesus rises above the everyday and is capable of granting us special favours – if only we have the courage to approach the throne of God and ask for what we want. *Excerpt from Living with Christ*

FLORAL TRIBUTES – IN MEMORIUM

Would you like your loved one(s) remembered at Christmas? Just make a donation towards the Christmas flowers, and we will post their names on our website and remember them in the prayers at Christmas. Please use the envelope in your box or one marked "Flowers" in the Sunday collection or drop off at the Parish Office. Be sure to print your loved one's name clearly on the envelope. Please submit these donations by Friday, December 15th. Thank you for your consideration.



ST JOSEPH ALTAR SERVERS

NEEDED



St Joseph Parish is looking for new altar servers. It is a great honor and privilege to serve at the altar of God. Altar servers fulfill an important ministry which enhances the celebration of the Mass. Altar Serving is one of the ways our young people can begin to contribute to the mass and live out their Baptismal promises by serving others and being witnesses to their faith in Jesus Christ. By

serving at the Altar and assisting the priest, Altar Servers have the opportunity to celebrate the Mass with more active participation. Come make new friends and enjoy the fun activities that you will share together. Boys and girls in Grade 3 and above are eligible to serve. For more information, contact Angelo Quintano at stjosephguelph.altarservers@gmail.com. Next training session will be **Tuesday November 21 at 5:00pm** in the church.

MOVIE NIGHT AT ST JOSEPH

Back to the movies at St Joseph beginning **Thursday November 30 at 7pm** in the church hall with **Narnia – The Lion, the Witch and the**



Wardrobe: during the World War II bombings of London, four English siblings are sent to a country house where they will be safe. One day Lucy finds a wardrobe that transports her to a magical world called Narnia. After coming back, she soon returns to Narnia with her brothers, Peter and Edmund, and her sister, Susan. There they join the magical lion, Aslan, in the fight against the evil White Witch. **Second movie on Thursday December 7 at 7pm is The Star:** A small but brave donkey named Bo yearns for a life beyond his daily grind at the village mill. One day, he finds the courage to break free, embarking on the adventure of his dreams. On his journey, he teams up with Ruth, a lovable sheep who has lost her flock, and Dave, a dove who has lofty aspirations. Along with three camels and some eccentric stable animals, Bo and his new friends follow the Star and become accidental heroes in the greatest story ever told -- the first Christmas. **The third movie on December 14 at 7pm is Entertaining Angels – the Dorothy Day Story:** Chronicles the life of Dorothy Day who dedicated herself in service to her socialist beliefs and her adopted faith of Catholicism. The movement she created continues to thrive to this day, with more than 200 communities across the United States and another 28 communities abroad. The title of the movie is taken from a phrase which means to treat all guests, whether they be kings or peasants, like they were visiting angels. All are welcome to attend – **FREE to attend.** Popcorn and drinks provided.

CWL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR WINNERS

The Main Draw Winners are: 1st. Prize Nancy Evans; 2nd Prize Brenda Wilson; 3rd Prize James Nowell; 4th Prize Larry Breese. Thanks to everyone for they support for are Christmas Bazaar.

CHRISTMAS BOX – THANK YOU

The total is in - St. Joseph Parish packed exactly 400 shoeboxes this year! **THANK YOU** from the bottom of our hearts for your generosity. At the Packing Party, the amazing people who came to help worked together to pack 154 boxes! The items we used to fill the boxes come from all the things you donate and the things you make by hand. Any money you donate is used to buy more items. Please consider collecting items year-round and/or using your talents to make things. Thank you for helping Operation Christmas Child spread Good News and Great Joy! Alissa & Chad Magwood and family. acmagwood@rogers.com. 519-820-7838.

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS BREAKFAST

It will take place next **Sunday, December 3rd** after all masses in the church hall. Come with your family, friends and neighbours!! There will be enough pancakes, sausage, ham, toast for all to enjoy. Free will offering. Refreshments and fruit salad are available as well.

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS and RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MINISTRY

In the month of November and December there will be a collection of items that will be given out to those in need. The **Knights of Columbus** will be collecting puzzles, pop-up books, colouring books, crayons, CDs for Community Living Guelph-Wellington. The **Religious Education Ministry** will be collecting underwear, socks, mittens, hats etc for the less fortunate that use the resources at THE BENCH and the RED DOOR downtown Guelph. There will be two separate bins at the back of the church for this collection. Please consider donating to this worthy cause.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION NOVENA 2023

Starting: Wednesday, November 29 – Thursday, December 7, 2023. Beginning with Morning Prayer at 7:00am followed by Novena Mass at 7:30am at The Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph. Meditations on Our Lady in Sacred Scripture will be: November 29 – The Annunciation; November 30 - The Visitation and the “Magnificat; December 1 – The Nativity; December 2 – The Presentation in the Temple; December 3 – The Finding in the Temple; December 4 – The Wedding at Cana; December 5 - “Who is My Mother”; December 6 - The Crucifixion; December 7 – The Resurrection and Pentecost”; **Friday December 8 – Solemn Mass of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception at 7:00pm** (note – A Plenary Indulgence under the usual conditions is offered to Pilgrims who faithfully visit the Basilica on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception.

FREE...COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

BRING YOUR FAMILIES AND COME CELEBRATE WITH US! **Sunday, December 3, 2023 from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm**, Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre, Ancaster (437 Wilson Street East, Ancaster, ON, L9G 3K4) Fun includes: Music, Hot Cocoa, Cookie Decorating, Crock-a-Doodle Christmas Ornament Painting, Magic Show, Face Painting, Balloon Animals, Local Artisans (cash only) & Santa Donations of cash, or non-perishable food items collected to benefit the Bishop’s Charities. For more information, contact: mcmorgan@hamiltondiocese.com or 905.528.7988 ext. 2251

COPING WITH THE HOLIDAYS

Join us for an afternoon of reflection and strategies on coping at Christmas when you have lost a loved one. The session will be facilitated by Mrs. Teresa Hartnett, Director of Family Ministry. The gathering will be held at the Diocesan Chancery Office, 700 King St. West in Hamilton, on Sunday, December 3rd, 2023 from 1:30 – 3:00 pm. You are welcome to join the session in person or by zoom. The event is **FREE** of charge. Please call Sarah to reserve a seat, or to receive the zoom link: 905-528-7988 ext. 2249 or register online at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/office/pastoral-offices/family-ministry/healing-and-or-counselling/coping-with-the-holidays/> (You must register to join by zoom; in person you can also walk in the day of the event.)

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*“It is not earthly riches that make us happy,  
But it is God who makes us happy, who is the  
True riches of our minds.” St Augustine*  
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