

## THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

### Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

#### TUESDAY, January 27<sup>th</sup>

7:30am + Peter Phung Tran  
+ Florindo Scapin

#### WEDNESDAY, January 28<sup>th</sup>

7:30am + Raul Fiores  
8:00am to 9:00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
7:00pm + Broderick Tecson  
+ Mary Anne McGill-Mitchell  
+ Mary Rose  
+ Colleen Goodwin  
+ Jose Martins

#### THURSDAY, January 29<sup>th</sup>

7:30am + Antonio Luis

#### FRIDAY, January 30<sup>th</sup>

7:30am + Felisa Jesena  
7:00pm + Jose and Marguerita Rodrigues

#### SATURDAY, January 31<sup>st</sup>

9:00am Intentions of the Unborn  
5:00pm + Anna Danko  
7:00pm Eritrean Mass

#### SUNDAY, February 1<sup>st</sup>

8:30am Intentions of Lesley Jenisse  
10:15am + Anthony and John Baptist Tran  
12noon + Rosa Tran Se



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.

#### Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 25, 2026

"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." Are you willing to proclaim the coming of the kingdom as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

#### SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of January 25, 2026

Candle #1 – + ALCUIN DEAN

Candle #2 – + RAY LITWAK

Please use the envelopes provided to request intentions for the Sanctuary Lamps, which are lit at the tabernacle.

"The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness".

Lamentations 3:22-23



#### COLLECTIONS FOR THE PAST WEEK

Sunday Offering January 17/18 \$3,772.00  
Loose Collection \$1,393.31  
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 the fellowship of Alcoholics Anonymous there is a declaration that states the only way to keep your sobriety is by giving it away. This is echoed in the prayer attributed to St Francis: "It is in giving that we receive." In today's Gospel we witness the instant impact of the apostles' encounter with Jesus. Something in their hearts recognized the voice of the living God and they left their nets immediately, our "yes" to the Master's call releases a similar grace that floods our souls and then flows outward.

This is our casting call into the communion of saints. Pope Benedict once said the saints are our constellations. With our "yes" we are empowered to forgive, love our enemies and do good to those who hate us, following the example of our Lord and the saints. Our decision to stay the course and be fed sacramentally sustains us in tandem with the saints and the power of the Holy Spirit who intercedes for us.

There is an old adage that states, "If you don't know where you are going, any road will take you there." We know where we are going; it is by following the voice of Jesus who calls us to holiness that we will reach our final destination. Thank God we know where this road takes us: it is to eternal life. *Excerpt from Living with Christ.*

#### CATHOLIC WOMEN's LEAGUE – MOTHER DAUGHTER LUNCH – February 8, 2026

St Joseph Catholic Women's League will be hosting their Annual Mother Daughter Lunch to celebrate the important women in our lives. All grandmothers, mothers, daughters, aunts and nieces are welcome to attend. In the church hall after the 12noon Mass approximate start is 1:30pm. Tickets are \$25 per adult and children 12 and under are \$15. You can purchase tickets by contacting Marti Valeriote at 519-362-0555 or [martivaleriote@gmail.com](mailto:martivaleriote@gmail.com) or Jules Royer at 519-731-3447 or [cwlstjosephguelph@gmail.com](mailto:cwlstjosephguelph@gmail.com) or at the Parish Office (limited tickets at the office). We look forward to

seeing you there. Payment can be made by e-transfer ([cwlstjosephguelphtreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:cwlstjosephguelphtreasurer@gmail.com)) or cash or cheque.

### **ST PATRICK'S DINNER**

We are inviting *all the Irish and those who wish to be*, to a fun night of Irish Dance, Music, Food and Frolicking. Please mark your calendar for **Saturday March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at Guelph Country Club.** Tickets will be available starting January 21<sup>st</sup>. Tickets are \$45 each and available at the parish office or through Brian Brady 519-836-0993/519-362-9999, Marti Valeriotte 519-362-0555 or Pat Grosicki 519-830-3465. All families and friends are invited



### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS THANK YOU**

Monsignor Walter Hawkins Council 10631 would like to thank all the parishioners, sponsors and donors that helped make all our 2025 Fundraising Programs (Coats for Kids, Bottle Drives, Cakes and Cookies and Lottery Calendars) such a huge success. We wish you all good health and happiness in 2026. God Bless!

### **SHINE A LIGHT**

Join Guelph & Area Right to Life for Shine a Light, a peaceful and prayerful gathering to witness to the dignity of human life and bring hope to our community on Wednesday, January 28, 2026, from 7:00–8:00 PM, outside Guelph City Hall. All are welcome to gather in prayer and solidarity as we shine a light for life. For more information, visit [guelphforlife.com/shine-a-light](http://guelphforlife.com/shine-a-light).

### **THOMAS TOAST – January 28th, 2026 – Kitchener**

The Communion Circle of the Diocese of Hamilton invites you to our annual Thomas Toast event on Saturday, January 31st at St. Anthony Daniel Church, 29 Midland Dr, Kitchener, ON. Coffee will be available when the doors of the hall open at 9:30am. At 10:00am we will gather for Daytime Prayer and a talk by Dr. Peter Erb entitled: “Newman, Aquinas, and Pryzwara Revisited” followed by a toast to Thomas and a social until 12:00pm. For more information visit: [communiohamiltondiocese.org](http://communiohamiltondiocese.org), or contact Father Mark Morley: [mmorley@communiohamiltondiocese.org](mailto:mmorley@communiohamiltondiocese.org), or Deacon Charles Fernandes: 519-923-0454.

### **YOUNG ADULTS' NIGHT**

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on **Saturday, February 7th at the St. Michael's Church, Waterloo ON.** Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>. For more information, contact: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com).

### **40 DAYS FOR LIFE (February–March 2026)**

40 Days for Life is a 40-day prayer vigil for the ending of abortion through prayer, fasting, and peaceful public witness, taking place February 18 – March 29, 2026. Mark your calendars for our 40 DFL events:

- Candlelight Opening Prayer **Tuesday, February 17, 2026, 6:00–6:30 PM** City sidewalk beside the Guelph Cenotaph (Woolwich & Eramosa Rd)

- 40 Days for Life Mass with Bishop Dabrowski **Saturday, March 14, 2026, 9:00 AM** - Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, 28 Norfolk St, Guelph
- Candlelight Closing Prayer **Sunday, March 29, 2026, 6:00–6:30 PM** - City sidewalk beside the Guelph Cenotaph

Learn more and sign up for prayer times at [40daysforlife.com/guelph](http://40daysforlife.com/guelph). For parish involvement, contact 519-836-6311 or [info@guelphforlife.com](mailto:info@guelphforlife.com).

### **The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass**

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2026? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Dabrowski and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 31, 2026 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is found under Upcoming Events on the home page at [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com), or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249

### **ENHANCING SELF-ESTEEM**

This program provides the opportunity to increase awareness of yourself and to learn specific skills for building a positive self-esteem. It can help you to feel stronger in all areas of your life. Issues covered during the course include taking responsibility for your own thoughts and feelings, positive ways to behave assertively and setting realistic goals for your future. The program will run **Tuesdays from Feb. 17 – April 21** from 7-9 pm at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West Hamilton. Cost is \$35 for materials. Registration online can be found by going to [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com) and looking for the date under Upcoming Events, or by contacting Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or at [familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com).

### **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 as it's beneficiary.