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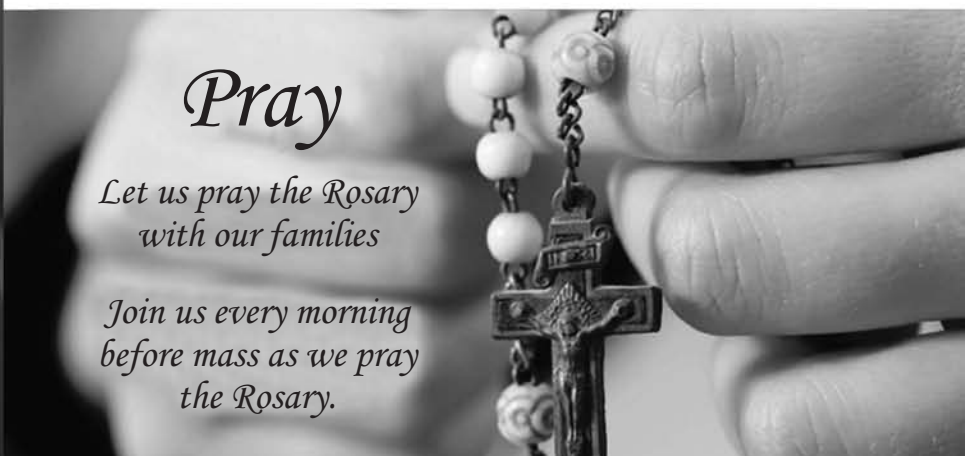
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Saint Joseph was a just man, a tireless worker, the upright guardian of those entrusted to his care. May he always guard, protect and enlighten families.

- ST JP II



*Pray*

*Let us pray the Rosary with our families*

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

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



### TUESDAY, February 28<sup>th</sup>

8:00am + Gladys Hepburn and Deceased Members of Family  
+ Nguyen Manh Tuat  
+ Mary-Jane Warner  
Intentions of Nguyen, King and Duong Family

### WEDNESDAY, March 1<sup>st</sup>

8:00am Intentions of Sr Madelene Graf  
8:30am to 11:00am – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
7:00pm + Enrico, Nicolett and Rick  
+ Waclaw Paszton  
+ Giuseppe Anselmini  
Intentions of David and Anne Marie Turalija  
Intentions of Ken and Louise Hills

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS- after Mass

### THURSDAY, March 2<sup>nd</sup>

8:00am + Eliza Geremia

### FRIDAY, March 3<sup>rd</sup>

8:00am + Larry Doherty  
7:00pm + Anthony and John Baptist Tran

### SATURDAY, March 4<sup>th</sup>

9:00am + Ted Christie  
5:00pm + Luis Sousa Martins

### SUNDAY, March 5<sup>th</sup>

8:30am + Concettina Ippolito  
10:15am + Carlo Caravaggio  
12:00noon For Parishioners



*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.*

### First Sunday of Lent - February 26, 2023

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the life-commitment God has prepared for you? If God is calling you to serve him 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](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

[www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/)

### INTENTIONS FOR SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of February 26, 2023

**Candle #1** – ANTHONY TRAN +

**Candle #2** – INTS of VINH AND HANG 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 18/19 \$5,069.45

### 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 2023...will this pilgrimage be different than previous years as I prepare for Easter?

From Adam and Eve enticed by the apple, to Jesus baited by Satan, we all face temptation. Whatever our age, each of us deals with enticements in our daily lives: food, procrastination, sites on a laptop, mood-altering substances or laziness. How did Jesus deal with his trials? He spoke out directly: "away with you, Satan! For it is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him." Yes we are tested. And when I give into my temptations, I feel defeated, guilty, ashamed, even angry with myself. When I beat myself up, I'm powerless and of not much use to myself or anyone else. However, let's contemplate St Paul's words in today's reading: "Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all people." The good news, as I enter this Lenten journey, is that Jesus is the one who died for my sins, for the times I succumb to temptation. On Good Friday he paid the price for my sins. This First Sunday of Lent, my prayer is that the next 40 days be a time of growing awareness of who Jesus is in our lives. *Excerpt from Living with Christ.*

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Starting March 1<sup>st</sup>, we will be having Stations of the Cross every Wednesday evening following our 7pm Mass. There will be no Stations on **Wednesday March 29 but held on Friday March 31 and Holy Week when it takes place Good Friday at 7pm.** Everyone is welcome!



### LENTEN MISSION RETREAT

Guelph and Wellington Catholic Parishes presents a Lenten Mission Retreat – "The wisdom of the desert, Flee, be silent, pray without ceasing." Starting Monday March 27 to Wednesday March 29<sup>th</sup>. Each night will begin with holy hour from 6pm to 7pm followed by a Spiritual Talk by Father Michael King. Tuesday March 28 will have a Penance Celebration following the talk (multiple Priests will be available) and Wednesday March 29 will have Mass at 7pm with Extended Homily. This mission will take place at St Joseph Catholic Parish, Guelph. All are welcome to attend.

**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 Valeriote or Pat Grosicki. All families and friends are invited.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – EASTER RAFFLE 2023**

Knights of Columbus Council 10631 will again hold an **Easter Raffle** with all proceeds going to the **Ukraine Solidarity Fund**. There are **35 great prizes in the raffle** such as baked goods, household items, gift cards, bicycles and three \$100 cash prizes. Go to our website at <https://kofcguelph.com/> to see all the prizes. **The draw will be at a Pot-Luck dinner on Sat., April 22<sup>nd</sup> at St. Joseph's Parish Hall. Raffle Numbers (tickets) are available for \$5 for 1 or \$10 for 3.** You will be able **purchase numbers or donate funds** by phoning or e-mailing one of the following: Ray Bolton at 519-261-1850 ([raymondbolton402@yahoo.com](mailto:raymondbolton402@yahoo.com)); Larry Colero at 519-827-9737 ([coleri1955@icloud.com](mailto:coleri1955@icloud.com)); Harry Jansen at 519-564-9804 ([harry\\_j\\_jansen@hotmail.com](mailto:harry_j_jansen@hotmail.com)); Savio DeSouza at 416-618-3791 ([savioleon@gmail.com](mailto:savioleon@gmail.com)) or Jim Gouin at 548-988-6294 ([jgouin12011@gmail.com](mailto:jgouin12011@gmail.com)).

**ST JOSEPH HEALTH CARE – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Gift shop Volunteers Needed for St. Joseph's Health Centre. Join an amazing team of volunteers who manage the Silver Maple Gift Shop. The Gift Shop offers patients, residents and visitors beautiful gift items along with assortment of drinks and snacks. Shifts are 3 hours a week - Monday to Friday between 10am to 4pm. No experience required. Training will be provided. Please contact Donna Marion, Volunteer Services at 519-824-6000 x 4359 or the Foundation Office at 519-767-3424 or visit <http://www.sjhcg.ca> All proceeds from the Gift Shop support the purchase of vital equipment and programming at St. Joseph's Health Centre.

**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](http://40daysforlife.com/guelph). or by calling 519-836-6311.

**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: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com).

**ReSTART: Moving Forward**

Join us for our new and updated program offering support to anyone seeking to heal and move forward after divorce or separation. **The program runs from Tuesday, March 21st to May 23rd.** The sessions take place from 7-9 pm at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West in person, or you are welcome to join using our zoom classroom. Cost is \$25 for materials, but no one is turned away. Registration is required so please call Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, e-mail [familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com), or register on line at [ReSTART Program: Support for Separated and Divorced - Diocese of Hamilton \(hamiltondiocese.com\)](http://ReSTART Program: Support for Separated and Divorced - Diocese of Hamilton (hamiltondiocese.com)).

**GREIF RELIEF**

Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life?

Join us on Thursdays from 7 – 8:30 p.m. from April 13th - May 18th, 2023 to learn more about what you are feeling and how to gently move forward. You are not alone! The Diocese of Hamilton program will be offered online using Zoom. To register, go to [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) and look for April 13<sup>th</sup> under Upcoming Events. To find out more, please call Teresa at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

**MEDITATIONS – HENRI  
NOUWEN SOCIETY –**

**A Lenten Prayer**

The Lenten season begins. It is a time to be with you, Lord, in a special way, a time to pray, to fast, and thus to follow you on your way to Jerusalem, to Golgotha, and to the final victory over death. I am still so divided. I truly want to follow you, but I also want to follow my own desires and lend an ear to the voices that speak about prestige, success, pleasure, power, and influence. Help me to become deaf to these voices and more attentive to your voice, which calls me to choose the narrow road to life.

I know that Lent is going to be a very hard time for me. The choice for your way has to be made every moment of my life. I have to choose thoughts that are your thoughts, words that are your words, and actions that are your actions. There are not times or places without choices. And I know how deeply I resist choosing you.

Please, Lord, be with me at every moment and in every place. Give me the strength and the courage to live this season faithfully, so that, when Easter comes, I will be able to taste with joy the new life that you have prepared for me. Amen.

*“Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me” (John 15:4).*

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Henri J. Nouwen". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.





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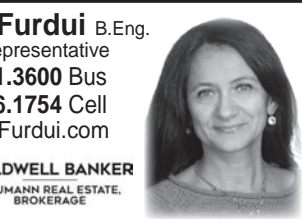
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