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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

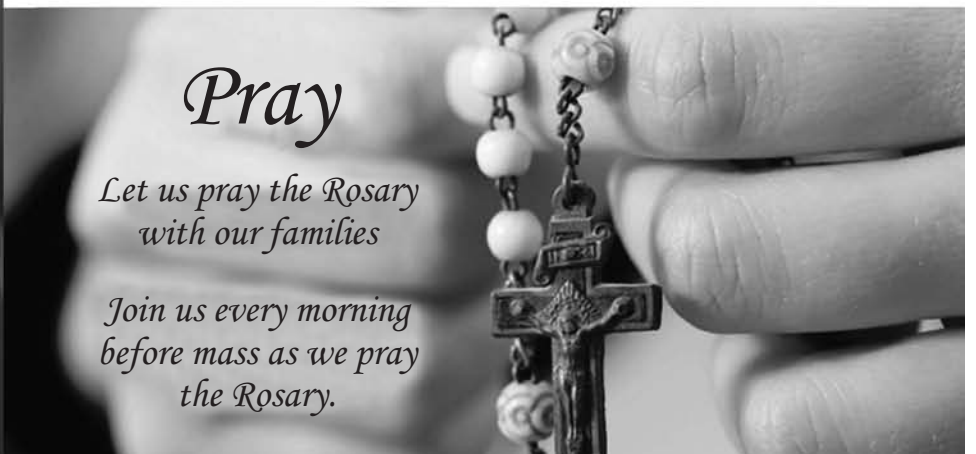
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Saint Joseph was a just man, a tireless worker, the upright guardian of those entrusted to his care. May he always guard, protect and enlighten families.

- ST JP II



Pray

Let us pray the Rosary with our families

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

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



TUESDAY, August 15th – Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00am + Mario Mazzorato
+ John Gusman
+ Marites Fidelino
Intentions of Nhan Tran
Intentions of Rinoy, Anitta, Rinu and Andrew

WEDNESDAY, August 16th

8:00am Intentions of Therese Tran
7:00pm + Salvatore DiCicco
+ Mary Jane Warner

THURSDAY, August 17th

8:00am + Dr Orlando Mesina

FRIDAY, August 18th

8:00am + Margaret Napier
7:00pm + Maria Them Nguyen

SATURDAY, August 19th

9:00am + Nguyen Manh Tuat
5:00pm + Anna D'Cruz

SUNDAY, August 20th

8:30am In Thanksgiving to God the Father
10:15am + Ida Cutruzzola
12:00noon + Haund Olejnik



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.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 13, 2023

"Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." We can sometimes be afraid of God's call to priesthood, diaconate, religious or consecrated life. Get hold of yourselves! If God is calling you, 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 AUGUST 13, 2023

Candle #1 – IN THANKSGIVING TO GOD THE FATHER

Candle #2 – + ANTHONY 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 August 5/6 \$ 6,019.05
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

In today's Gospel, the disciples sit helplessly as their boat is tossed about by the storm. Similarly, many times our lives are overwhelmed with howling winds and merciless waves, which we cannot avoid or control. It is so easy to become overwhelmed, anxious and afraid – and to simply give up. However, while the storms may be stronger than we are, they are not stronger than God.

When Peter put his trust in the Lord and came toward Jesus, the storm lost all its power. Through Jesus, Peter conquered his fears and walked peacefully while the world around him crashed and howled. The moment he lost focus and became frightened, Peter's fears took over and devoured him. When we put our trust in Jesus, he will walk peacefully through this valley of tears, and the storms of this world and in our lives will lose their power over us. Let us have faith in Jesus, and never take our eyes or our hearts off of him. No matter what we have done or failed to do, it is never too late to cry out, as Peter did, "Lord, save me!" Unto the hour of death, Jesus will instantly reach out his hands of mercy to catch us. Jesus, I trust in you. *Excerpt from Living with Christ.*

THIS WEEK ON FORMED

Life for Life: Maximilian Kolbe

After escaping from Auschwitz, a man hears the tragic news about ten random inmates sentenced by the Nazis to death as a punishment for his escape—one of whom is Fr. Maximilian Kolbe.



Saint Maximilian Kolbe | Lukas Storyteller (kids pick of the week)

What do you know about the Assumption? Join Dr. John Sehorn and Taylor Kemp as they discuss the theology behind this dogma of the faith. Inspired by the heroic life of St. Maximilian



Kolbe, Lukas helps his friends understand that they should always be grateful for what they have.

**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 19, 2023 and runs through to May 2024. For more information please contact Donna Haley at 519-831-6451. Registration forms are on the website under Parish Life/Ministries

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletins. The advertising will begin in **September 2023** and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

GARDEN OF GRACE

All are welcome to visit the Garden of Grace, a peaceful space for prayer, healing, and contemplation on the property of the Basilica of Our Lady in Guelph. The garden is dedicated especially to women and families who are grieving after an abortion, and also those who have lost a child through miscarriage, stillbirth, or ectopic pregnancy. Visitors are welcome to stop by the garden any time during the summer and fall months to pray, remember, and have a peaceful moment. For more information, visit www.guelphforlife.com

**MEDITATIONS – HENRI
NOUWEN SOCIETY –**

The Divine Gift of Unity

Jesus prays for unity among his disciples and among those who through the teaching of his disciples will come to believe in him. He says: “May they all be one, just as, Father, you are in me and I in you . . .” (John 17:21).

These words of Jesus reveal the mystery that unity among people is not first of all the result of human effort, but rather a divine gift. Unity among people is a reflection of the unity of God. The desire for unity is deep and strong among people. It is a desire between friends, between married people, between communities, and between countries. Wherever there is a true experience of unity, there is a sense of giftedness. While unity satisfies our deepest need, it cannot be explained by what we say or do. There exists no formula for unity.

When Jesus prays for unity, he asks his Father that those who believe in him, that is, in his full communion with the Father, will become part of that unity. I continue to see in myself and others how often we try to make unity among ourselves by focusing all our attention on each other and trying to find the place where we can feel united. But often we become disillusioned, realizing that no human being is capable of offering us what we most want. Such disillusionment can easily make us become bitter, cynical, demanding, even violent.

Jesus calls us to seek our unity in and through him. When we direct our inner attention not first of all to each other, but to God to whom we belong, then we will discover that in God we also



belong to each other. **"Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit," says the Lord of hosts. ZECHARIAH 4:6 (NIV)**

Hamilton Diocesan Marian Days

These days will be celebrated from June to October 2023 at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph. The day will start with Confessions at 9:00 a.m. followed by Mass at 10:00 a.m., Rosary Procession at 11:00 a.m. and lunch at 12:00 p.m., Holy Hour and Marian Catechesis at 1:00 p.m. The day will close with Benediction at 2:00 p.m. Please bring your own lunch. Coffee and Tea will be available. Presiders will be, **Bishop Wayne Lobsinger** Saturday, September 2; **Thomas Cardinal Collins**: Saturday, October 7.

Rosary of the Nations Catholic Meditation

Please join us at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate the last Thursday of every month at 6:00 p.m. for a rejuvenating Rosary of the Nations sung by Harpa Dei. This unique 40-minute Rosary is sung in Latin, Hebrew, English, Spanish, German and French. A booklet will be provided so you can follow along and learn the prayers in these languages, or if you prefer, you can close your eyes and feel Our Blessed Mother's arms wrap around you as you rest and renew in the Holy Spirit. **Upcoming date - August 31.** Hosted by the Catholic Women's League. All are welcome to attend.

ARE YOU A STUDENT?

Are you interested in pursuing medical school? The Dr. H. Patrick and Mrs. Gayle E. Cunningham Medical Scholarship has been established to provide grants for Catholics who want to pursue medical school. If you are interested or know anyone who is, please encourage them to apply. The application deadline is July 28, 2023. If you have any questions please contact Mary Claire Morgan at mcmorgan@hamiltondiocese.com.

FRASSATI Leadership Program

Young people entering grade 10 in September are invited to register for the Frassati leadership program. This year long program is designed for young Catholic leaders who want to expand their Catholic leadership skills and grow in their relationship with Christ and their communities. For registration and more information please visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/youth-ministry/frassati>.

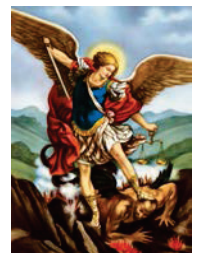
PILGRIMAGE to EGYPT and HOLY LAND

This 12-day excursion begins **February 18 to February 29, 2024** under the spiritual leadership of Fr Jeff Bergsma. Your journey will begin in Cairo, Egypt and ending in the ancient city of Jerusalem. For more information, please see insert in this week's bulletin or by going to International Heritage Tours website: <https://www.ihtours.com/tour/pilgrimage-to-egypt-holy-land-5>.

The price for this pilgrimage is \$4590.00, which includes: hotel, transportation during excursion, breakfast, dinner and taxes.

St Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.





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