



# St. Joseph Catholic Parish

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## **SATURDAY MASS**

5:00 pm

## **SUNDAY MASSES**

8:30 am

10:15 am - Children's Liturgy

12 noon

## **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Every Wednesday 8:30am to 11:00am

## **CONFESSION TIMES**

Tuesday 7:30pm

Saturday 4:00pm to 4:30pm 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](http://www.stjosephguelph.com/ministries)

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## **PARISH STAFF**

Reverend John Van Hees, 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.*



# Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



## TUESDAY, August 4<sup>th</sup>

7:00pm + Peter Phung Tran  
+ Bev Steffler  
Intentions of Ejay and Kaye Desepeda  
+ Chesdine Sabacin  
Intentions of Ariel and Ethel Ang

## WEDNESDAY, August 5<sup>th</sup>

8:00am + Souls in Dominica  
+ Anita Aimola  
Intentions of Devon Munn  
Intentions of Bianca Carter  
+ Maureen Bolzon

## THURSDAY, August 6<sup>th</sup>

8:00am + Bernardino Mariano

## FRIDAY, August 7<sup>th</sup>

8:00am + Martha Mills

## SATURDAY, August 8<sup>th</sup>

5:00pm + Joseph Hung Tran

## SUNDAY, August 9<sup>th</sup>

8:30am Thanksgiving to God the Father  
10:15am + Theresa and Francis D'Souza  
12noon Our Parishioners



May God's peace be with those who have recently died, especially 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.

## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 2, 2026

"And all ate and were filled." Are you fulfilled?" Perhaps the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life awaits you. If God is calling you contact Fr. John Ha, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com).

## SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of August 2, 2026

**Candle #1 – THANKSGIVING TO GOD THE FATHER**

**Candle #2 – THANKSGIVING TO GOD THE FATHER**

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



## COLLECTIONS FOR THE PAST WEEK

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| Sunday Offering July 26,27 | \$ 4,100.00 |
| Loose Offering             | \$ 1,603.55 |
| Rwanda Mission             | \$ 580.00   |
| Building Fund              | \$ 932.00   |

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

In today's Gospel we are reminded that God can make miracles happen. He can make the weak strong, the poor rich and the hungry full in ways beyond what we can see with our eyes. Just like the miraculous abundance of fish and loaves in the Gospel, an abundance of faith, can fulfill us.

Let us all be thankful for our blessings! We give thanks to God for hope and strength, as we look forward to a beautiful eternity with him.

Excerpt from Living with Christ.



## **August 6<sup>th</sup>-Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord**

From the day Peter confessed that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, the Master "began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things. . . and be killed, and on the third day be raised." Peter scorns this prediction, nor do the others understand it any better than he. In this context the

mysterious episode of Jesus' Transfiguration takes place on a high mountain, before three witnesses chosen by himself: Peter, James and John. Jesus' face and clothes become dazzling with light, and Moses and Elijah appear, speaking "of his departure, which he was to accomplish at Jerusalem". A cloud covers him and a voice from heaven says: "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!"

## YOUTH MINISTER'S RETREAT - SAVE THE DATE!

We are inviting all youth ministers, youth ministry coordinators and leaders in youth ministry, to join us for our annual retreat on September 19 at Mount Mary Retreat Centre in Ancaster. More information and how to register will be shared as soon as possible. In the meantime, if you are interested in attending or have any questions, please reach out to us: [youthministry@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:youthministry@hamiltondiocese.com).



**MARIAN DAYS** The Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, the Diocesan Marian Shrine in Guelph will be hosting the Diocesan Marian Days on the first Saturdays from June to October. The day begins at 9:00am with Holy Hour and Confessions. Holy Mass at 10:30am is followed by an Outdoor Rosary procession (weather permitting) and concludes at noon.

Coffee, tea and Gift Shop available after Rosary procession (participant are welcome to bring their own lunch). The celebrants will be Cardinal Thomas Collins (**August 1<sup>st</sup>**), Bishop Wayne Lobsinger (**September 5<sup>th</sup>**), and Bishop Joseph Dabrowski (**October 3<sup>rd</sup>**). The October Marian Day will end with the Regina Caeli Tea. Registration is required and will be available after all Marian Days. For more information, see the Diocesan Website:

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2026/05/marian-days-2026/>

### **YOUTH MINISTRY CERTIFICATION PROGRAM**

We are currently accepting enrollment for the Youth Ministry Certification Program, which begins in September 2026. Join us as we explore the practical strategies for youth ministry and the accompaniment of young people in our diocesan community. To review a full course list and for more information, please visit: [www.hamiltondioceselearns.com](http://www.hamiltondioceselearns.com)



**Will be held at Marden Park, Pond Pavilion on Sunday, September 13, 2026 at 1:30pm- 5pm. Burgers, hot dogs, salads, face painting, snow cones and lots of games! Don't miss it!**

### **FRASSATI LEADERSHIP PROGRAM**

Calling all those entering Grade 10 in September 2026! Are you looking to grow in your faith? Do you want to explore what it means to be a Catholic leader? **The Frassati Leadership Program** may be for you. Join other Grade 10 Catholic leaders as we reflect on the foundations of Catholic leadership and foster opportunities for you to grow in your own faith and leadership skills. For more information and to register please visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/office/pastoral-offices/youth-ministry/frassati/>.

### **REGINA CAELI - REGISTRATIONS OPEN**

Discover a community where academic excellence walks hand in hand with deep faith formation. Regina Caeli Academy is currently accepting registrations from JK to Grade 8. Visit our website today or call 226-706-7529 to secure your child's place for the upcoming school year. [Reginacaeliacademy.ca](http://Reginacaeliacademy.ca)

### **PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH**

The expression "the family that prays together stays together" is one that most people have heard. Popular sayings make sense when we see the truth in them, but this one is backed up by research! When we pray together at home (before meals, before bed, in the morning) and attend Mass, we are connecting on a deep level that helps a family have increased unity. So, enjoy the more relaxed summer days and holidays, but don't let prayer and attending Mass take a holiday because their benefits are a wonderful addition to this great season!



### **WALK WITH JESUS:**

**Retreat for Parents Who Have Experienced the Death of a Child** The loss of a child is a most challenging event in the life of any parent. This grief is acute and challenging. The Diocese of Hamilton invites you to join us for this healing day.

Whether the loss is recent or some time ago, we know this day will help to restore your inner core. The retreat will be offered from 9 am to 4 pm on Saturday, October 10 or Saturday, November 7th. The \$20 fee includes lunch. Registration is required for set up and lunch. You can register on the Diocesan home page at <https://hamiltondiocese.com> under upcoming events (look for the date retreat of the date), or by calling the office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

St. Joseph's Parish 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 6:30 to 7:30 pm starting **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2026** and run through to May 2027. For more information, please contact Donna Haley at 519-831-6451 or email: [religiousedstjosephguelph@gmail.com](mailto:religiousedstjosephguelph@gmail.com) Registration forms on the website. We look forward to welcoming you!

**ENHANCING SELF-ESTEEM** Healthy self-esteem is linked to positive mental health outcomes, which is so important to each of us. Our program provides the opportunity to increase your self-awareness and to learn specific skills for building a positive self-esteem. 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 own future. The program will be offered from Tuesday September 22 – November 24, 2026 at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West Hamilton. Cost is \$35 for materials. Registration is online at <https://hamiltondiocese.com> and can be found under Upcoming Events, or contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or e-mail [familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com).

**MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH** Couples are so busy today with their jobs, taking care of children and sometimes looking after elderly parents that time is very precious. Often what gets put on the back burner is time to focus on their marriage. All these responsibilities are much better managed with a healthy relationship, so taking time together has a positive impact all around. Schedule time for a coffee, a short or long walk, a chat at the end of the day, prayer, or dinner for two, anything that is just for the two of you. Your marriage matters — don't let making it a priority take a backseat to everything else on the to-do list!

*When you begin a good work, earnestly pray to God to bring it to perfection. - St. Benedict*

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