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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](http://www.stjosephguelph.com/ministries)  
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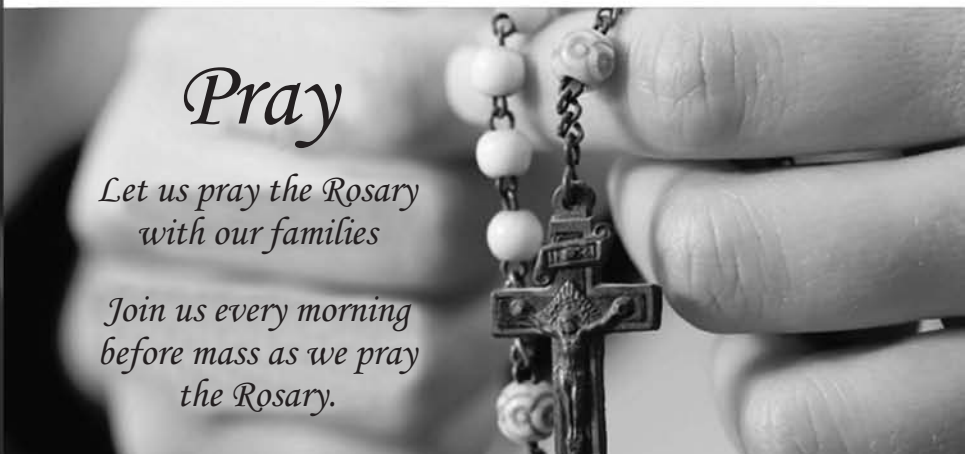
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Saint Joseph was a just man, a tireless worker, the upright guardian of those entrusted to his care. May he always guard, protect and enlighten families.

- ST JP II



*Pray*

*Let us pray the Rosary with our families*

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

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



### TUESDAY, March 14<sup>th</sup>

8:00am + Maria Tuyet Nguyen  
+ Eliza Geremia  
+ Maria Magdalena Quy Dinh  
+ Frank Gazzola  
+ Cresencio Reyes

### WEDNESDAY, March 15<sup>th</sup>

8:00am + Margaret Rodgers  
8:30am to 11:00am – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
7:00pm Intentions of David and Anne Marie Turalija  
For Good Health to Eugenia and Tadeusz Lyko  
+ Ted Christie  
+ Mr and Mrs Cheiram  
+ Waclaw Paszton

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS- after Mass

### THURSDAY, March 16<sup>th</sup>

8:00am + Staniswahf Kosior

### FRIDAY, March 17<sup>th</sup>

8:00am + Audrey Shannon  
7:00pm Deceased Members of McCarthy Family

### SATURDAY, March 18<sup>th</sup>

9:00am + Brigitta and Thomas Tran  
5:00pm + Rosario Gantiogui

### SUNDAY, March 19<sup>th</sup>

8:30am For Parishioners  
10:15am Intentions of Tran Family  
12:00noon + Federico Repaso



*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.*

### Second Sunday of Lent - March 5, 2023

Peter, James and John had a mountaintop experience with Jesus by witnessing His transfiguration. We too can have a mountaintop experience when we open our minds and hearts to following God's Will for our life. 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 March 12, 2023

Candle #1 – INTS of JULIE ROYERS

Candle #2 – BRIGITTA and THOMAS 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 March 4/5	\$5,965.30
Turkey & Syria Earthquake Appeal	\$6,772.15

### 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

On our path of conversion, what a great grace it is to find the Lord Jesus waiting patiently for us beside our senseless wells. When, like the Samaritan woman, we are tired of the things of this world, of almost empty wells, then the Divine Master is especially close to us. He asks us to give him something to drink, he asks us to trust Him to satiate our heart and if we trust in Him we discover the joy of finding the true well, the source of crystal clear water.

Then, as if in a dream, as it was for the Samaritan woman, everything which before was important, no longer counts, true reality is something else, it becomes that Man-God who begs to give Himself! The secret of happiness is to invert the process of selfishness: to forget self in order to make room for Another Person, the Lord of life and happiness. Give up self and find God! If I renounce sin, I find grace, if I renounce myself, I find God and my brothers and sisters. "If you only knew what God is offering," happiness is what He wants to give you! How often a priest should ask himself this question, or a woman who wonders "shall I have a child or not", "am I thinking of myself, or of the child who cannot come into the world without my help?" If you knew what gift of Life, you would throw yourself into that well and there you would find the strength to renounce self.

Mother Teresa of Calcutta, with wisdom typical of saints, explained why we should give ourselves to God: "Why should we give ourselves completely to God? Because God has given Himself to us. If God who owes us nothing is ready to give us nothing less than Himself, can we respond with only a small part of ourselves? Giving ourselves totally to God is a way of receiving God. I am for God and God is for me. I live for God and renounce myself, in this way I allow God to live for me. To possess God we must allow Him to possess our souls. (Blessed Teresa di Calcutta). Mgr Luciano Alimandi, *Ave Maria*, Agenzia Fides 27/2/2008. Excerpt from *Catholic Culture*

### 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 with 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.

### THE IRISH EYES ARE SMILING

**ONLY 9 TICKETS REMAINING.** 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 \$40each and available at the parish office only.**



### 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)).

### COME and SEE SESSIONS

There is still room for people to join these sessions. We, Clara and Justina, are excited about offering these sessions, so come and share your gifts of prayer and healing experiences. Monday April 13 from 10am to 11am. Place: 29 Oak St, Guelph. For more information, please call Justina at 519-821-7222.

### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

**\MASS with Bishop Lobsinger Thursday, March 23, 2023 at 7 pm Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, 28 Norfolk St, Guelph** As the 40 Days for Life campaign moves past the midway point, Bishop Wayne Lobsinger will be visiting the Basilica of Our Lady for a special Mass for 40 Days for Life. All are welcome to attend!

### 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.

### 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://ReSTARTProgram:SupportforSeparatedandDivorced-DioceseofHamilton(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.

### YOUNG ADULTS’ NIGHT – April 1st – Guelph

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) on **Saturday, April 1st at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate (28 Norfolk Street, Guelph).** Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com).



### 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).**



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