

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



TUESDAY, February 2nd

8:00am + Donny Forester
7:00pm + Anthony Tran

WEDNESDAY, February 3rd

8:00am Intentions of Theresa Tran
7:00pm + Phyllis Henke

THURSDAY, February 4th

8:00am All Souls in Purgatory
7:00pm + Giovanna Figura

FRIDAY, February 5th

8:00am Kathy Kosior
7:00pm Intentions of Marie and Michael Bolzon

SATURDAY, February 6th

9:00am + Leonard Terrey
5:00pm + Maria Manera

SUNDAY, February 7th

8:30am Intentions of Parishioners
10:15am + Alegene Tela
12:00noon + Stanislaw Smerd



*May God's peace be with those who have recently died, **LARRY VALERIOTE** and especially 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.*

DO YOU HAVE A VOCATION?

By Baptism we are God's holy family. Pray today for the grace to live faithfully your vocation as a single, married, ordained or consecrated person. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

INTENTIONS FOR SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of January 31st

Candle #1 –

Candle #2 –

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 Offerings: January 17, 2021 \$2,245.00
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.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL PARISHIONERS:

As of December 26th at 12:00am all Masses, weekday and weekend, have been cancelled until further notice due to the Government shutdown that will take place until January 23rd, 2021. Please note that Fr Bergsma and Fr Gregory will still say Masses daily and on Sunday for your intentions as well as the intentions requested.

As well the Parish Office will be closed during this time. All parish events, organizations and meetings are also cancelled until further notice. If you wish to drop off your church offerings you can continue to do so Tuesday to Friday during the day by dropping off in the mail slot located just inside the Parish Office door - Father Bergsma will be checking this regularly.

Bishop Douglas Crosby has dispensed all the faithful from the obligation to participate in the Sunday Mass until we can celebrate once again as a community.

LIVE STREAM MASS

Sunday Mass is now available for you to watch Live at 10:15am every Sunday during lockdown. By clicking on this link "[Watch Live](#)" you are able to connect live with the Mass that is being said by either Fr Bergsma or Fr Gregory. When you are on St Joseph YouTube Channel please subscribe so that you are updated with any changes or if you miss the Live Stream Mass you can access at a later time.

SUNDAY REFLECTION

What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? (Mark 1:24) Talk about bursting onto the scene! Of course, the demon possessing this man couldn't tolerate being around Jesus. But wouldn't it have been wiser to slink away rather than draw attention to himself? It happened a lot, in fact, Jesus would show up somewhere or reveal his glory in some way, and his presence would prompt resistance and sometimes even violent outbursts. This wasn't true just of demons. At the very beginning of his ministry, Jesus' announcement of the good news enraged enough people that they tried to push him off a cliff (Luke 4:24-30). Then, after only a few weeks of preaching and performing miracle, Jesus upset some Pharisees enough that they began plotting his murder (Mark 3:6). Not even his closest disciples were immune. Jesus' revelation of God's plan to save us through his cross upset Peter enough that he rebuked Jesus (Matthew 16:22).

In one way or another, we have all reacted strongly against Jesus and his message of Salvation. We all have pockets of darkness still lingering in our

hearts. Maybe you refused to forgive someone. Maybe you knowingly chose sin in a tempting situation. Or maybe you denigrated a fellow believer who thinks differently than you do. Still, Jesus continues to love you and offer the grace you need to change. What was true in that synagogue in Capernaum is still true today: the darkness of sin can never overpower the light of Christ. Don't be surprised if you experience some form of opposition to Jesus in your heart today – maybe in prayer or as you're trying to focus at Mass or as an opportunity to serve your family arises. Instead, take comfort from it. Trust that the light of Christ will not only expose your darkness: it can expel it as well. *“Thank you, Jesus, for exposing my darkness – and for setting me free from it!” Excerpt for Word Among Us.*

CONSECRATION TO ST JOSEPH

Fathers Jeff Bergsma and Gregory Merkley have decided that one way we as a parish will live out this special year of St. Joseph is to [consecrate ourselves to him](#). This is simply to say that we will draw closer to St. Joseph and entrust ourselves to his spiritual and temporal care in our lives, receiving more of his protection and guidance. The saints are real, living people who now live in God's presence, but they are very interested in us. They pray for and guide us on our journey to Heaven. Therefore, if we consecrate ourselves to St. Joseph, we will open ourselves up to receive more of his heavenly help, since Jesus enjoys honoring his parents even in Heaven by working through them to help us.

Father Gregory Merkley will also help us make this journey with short weekly videos during our preparation for consecration (entrustment) to St. Joseph. As a result, all are encouraged to access the book (easily available from many sources, including [Amazon, where the Kindle edition is substantially cheaper than the paperback](#)), and join us as we prepare over 33 days, starting on February 15th, to make our consecration on March 19th, the great solemnity of St. Joseph. The Solemnity of St. Joseph is a special day in the Church where we celebrate St. Joseph's Sainthood, and so it is the perfect day to make this special act of entrusting ourselves and our parish to St. Joseph, asking His powerful protection and care for each of us and our parish community. Father Jeff Bergsma and Father Gregory Merkley will also be making the consecration that day!

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Income tax receipts for 2020 have been mailed out to all parishioners who have contributed last week. Thank you for your continued generosity.

ADORATION

Adoration will take place everyday from **8am to 7pm** in the church parking lot. The Monstrance can be viewed through the window between both brown doors on the side of the church.



GUELPH AND AREA RIGHT TO LIFE – 40 Days for Life

On February 17th, 2021, 40 Days of Life will be starting in hundreds of locations across the world. 40 Days of Life is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach and peaceful all-day vigils in front of abortion businesses. The prayer vigil will take place every day from 7am-7pm throughout the 40 days. As February approaches, we'll be asking people to sign up for specific hours at the vigil and especially encouraging people to sign up for a specific time once a week.

Junior Kindergarten and Senior Kindergarten

We have faith in education. The Wellington Catholic District School Board will be accepting registrations for Kindergarten at our schools beginning January 4th, 2021.

Kindergarten Eligibility

- must be four years of age on or before December 31, 2021 to attend Junior Kindergarten
- must be five years of age on or before December 31, 2021 to attend Senior Kindergarten

Please bring:

- child's birth certificate
- a parent or child's Baptismal certificate
- child's health card/immunization record/custody papers (if applicable)
- proof of tax support for families new to the system (i.e. most recent tax bill)

Please note: Students currently attending a Wellington Catholic Junior Kindergarten program are **NOT REQUIRED** to register for Senior Kindergarten. Should you have any questions about registration procedures or requirements, please call your school

ANNIVERSARY MASS 2021

The Anniversary Mass scheduled for June of 2021 has been cancelled due to restrictions and concerns around COVID-19. We invite you to register your 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years Anniversary on the Diocesan website at [hamiltondiocese.com](#). We will send you the certificate you would have received from Bishop Crosby at the Mass.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

Children love to read the same book repeatedly, eat the same lunch every day and they do best, in fact thrive, on a daily routine. The predictable makes children feel secure and competent because they know what to expect. With little children, routines for mealtimes, bed and bath times, prayer time and even playtime, can be a great comfort, making for happier children. This same wellness from routines also works for older children. The more routine in their lives, the more relaxed and happier their personality. So, start the New Year by creating a schedule for all family members, try it out and see how much peace can come to your household! (Family Ministry Office [thartnett@hamiltondiocese.com](#)).

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH

Marriage unites two people together in an intimate partnership, allowing each person to feel loved and cared for by their spouse. God made us relational, so marriage meets our need for another in our lives and fulfills our deepest need to be known. Yet, sadly, too many married people feel lonely. So, why not make 2021 a year of joy? Talk to each other about your hopes for the future; tell your spouse about good things or bad that have occurred at work; share a joke, funny story or a frustrating event from your day. When we share our lives with another we connect more deeply, feel part of the others life and loneliness disappears. An easy way to keep intimacy intact and loneliness away. (Family Ministry Office [thartnett@hamiltondiocese.com](#)).

MARRIAGE SUPPORT

Is your marriage experiencing more trouble than joy, feeling stagnant or disconnected? The solution is Retrouvaille, a program for married couples facing challenges in their relationship. Its purpose is to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. It is a practical program where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. The next weekend begins March 12, 2021. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email [teamrecine@gmail.com](#).

PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH

BLESSED Joseph, husband of Mary, be with us this day. Thou protected and cherished the Virgin; loving the Child Jesus as thy son, thou rescued Him from danger of death. Defend the Church, the Household of God, purchased by the Blood of Christ.

Guardian of the Holy Family, be with us in our trials. May thy prayers obtain for us the strength to flee from error and wrestle with the powers of corruption so that in life we may grow in holiness and in death rejoice in the crown of victory. Amen.

