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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

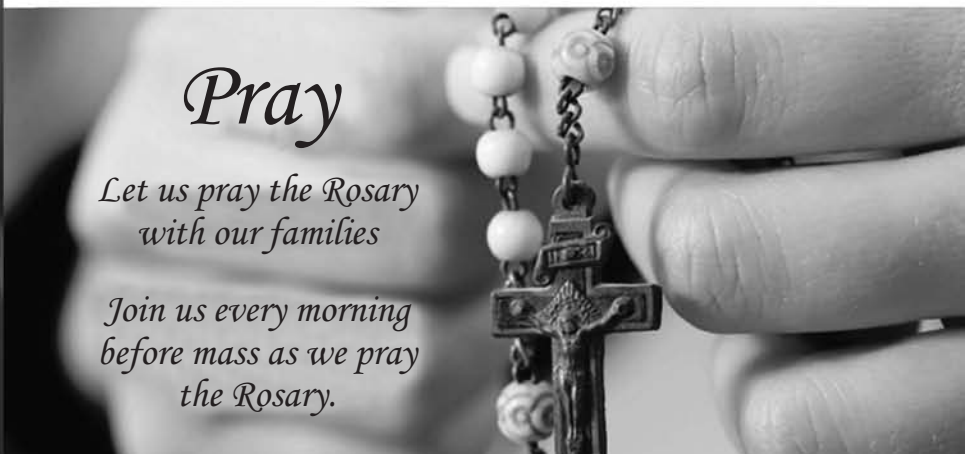
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Saint Joseph was a just man, a tireless worker, the upright guardian of those entrusted to his care. May he always guard, protect and enlighten families.

- ST JP II



Pray

Let us pray the Rosary with our families

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

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



MONDAY, February 19th

9:00am All Parishioners

TUESDAY, February 20th

8:00am Intentions of Angie Hunt
Intentions of Lorraine McCrae
+ Maria Hoang Thi Hoa
+ Crescencio Reyes
+ Rita Scapin

WEDNESDAY, February 21st

8:00am + Jennie Beitz
8:30-11:00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00pm + Jose Antonietto Tarama
+ Irene Meagher
+ Isagani Banez
+ Carlos Valdivieso
Thanksgiving to St Jude Thaddeus
7:30pm Stations of the Cross

THURSDAY, February 22nd

8:00am + Mary Finoro

FRIDAY, February 23rd

8:00am + Marg and Ernie DiCarlo
7:00pm Intentions of Benny and Paola Monico

SATURDAY, February 24th

9:00am + Bruno and Armida Gemin
5:00pm Intentions of Therese Tran

SUNDAY, February 25th

8:30am + Giovanni Mazzorato
10:15am + Dino Vettor
12noon All 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 18, 2024

Lent: the springtime of the soul...is a time to make a new covenant with God, develop new signs of our relationship with our Creator. Go into your own desert and discover what God is asking of you. If you think God could be calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988** or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of February 18th, 2024

Candle #1 – + STANLEY KOSIOR

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 Offering February 10/11	\$5,514.00
Lose Collection	\$1,160.50
Seminary Education Fund	\$30.00

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

The theme of 40 days comes up repeatedly in Scripture. Noah sent the raven out 40 days after the flood abated (Gn 8). Moses fasted for 40 days on Mount Sinai (ex34). Goliath taunts the Israelite army for 40 days until his battle with David (1 Sm 17). IN today's Gospel Jesus fasts for 40 days and nights prior to being tempted by the Devil. And there are other examples.

Each case involves a period of penance and sacrifice, leading to transformation and fulfillment. God cleanses the earth of evil during the flood and then establishes a new Covenant. Moses' fast is followed by the Ten Commandments and Mosaic Law. After 40 days of humiliation, David emerges to slay Goliath and the Israelites vanquish their enemies. Jesus' fast and temptation in the desert prepare him to begin his public ministry, culminating in his death and resurrection.

Every year Our Lord invites us to join him in his redemptive suffering through 40 days of prayer and sacrifice. This Lent, may the Holy Spirit cleanse us of our worldly and sinful attachments and bring us closer to Jesus. Let us give ourselves fully to the Divine Mercy of Jesus in the Sacrament of Confession. Our Heavenly Father will forgive us, and we too shall be renewed and made whole. The promise of Easter awaits. *Excerpt from Living with Christ.*



LENT

FORMED is excited to present curated content to help the Church journey

through this Lenten season. In this collection are resources to help the faithful deepen their understanding of various Lenten days, practices, and devotions. You can find resources on prayer, the mystery of Christ's Passion, the roots of Holy Week found in Judaism, and many things to help guide the faithful through the holiest days in our liturgical year—the Triduum. We pray that all of these resources draw us deeper into the mystery of Lent, Holy Week, and the Triduum as we look forward to the joy of the Resurrection. To watch [click here](#)



Lent with Brother Francis

Learn and pray with Brother Francis in the 4 sessions:
Season 1: Daily Meditations (New This Year!)
Season 2: 4-part Series

Season 3: Let's Learn about Lent
Season 4: The Stations of the Cross
To watch [click here](#)



TRIDUUM: A SPIRITUAL PILGRIMAGE

Triduum: A Spiritual Pilgrimage is a beautiful, 30-minute contemplative documentary. This film cinematically walks through

the locations of the Holy Week story, re-presenting the most important days of human history. Immersed in the real and sacred places of the Holy Land, the pilgrim faithful is brought tangibly nearer to the story, the landscape, and the reality of the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Triduum draws Catholics and those with open hearts and minds to experience a deeper understanding of these events and places, and offers rich meditations for the pilgrimage of daily life. Now more than ever, as many of us are confined to our homes, journey along this spiritual pilgrimage and be drawn more deeply into the life and love of God. To watch [click here](#).



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Starting **February 14, 2024**, we will be having Stations of the Cross every Wednesday evening following our 7pm Mass. There will be no Stations on the **Wednesday of Holy Week, but will take place Good Friday at 7pm**. Everyone is welcome!

LENTON MISSION – FR GARY SCHLACK

MARCH 9, 10, 11 and 12th

The Shroud of Turin is considered by many to be the actual burial cloth of Jesus. It is the single most studied artifact on the planet. More than 2,000 scientists have put in over 600,000 of peer reviewed scientific investigations on the Shroud. Come and find out what incredible things science has discovered about the Shroud and why the Shroud has been called the 5th Gospel. Find out how our reflections on the Shroud can help us deepen our faith in the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus.

MARK YOUR CALENARS - THE IRISH PUB NIGHT

We are inviting *all the Irish and those who wish to be*, to a fun night of Irish Dance, Music, Food and Frolicking. Please mark your calendar for **Saturday March 16th, 2024 at Guelph Country Club**. Details to follow for ticket pricing. Tickets are \$45 each and available at the parish office or through **Brian Brady 519-836-0993/519-362-9999, Marti Valeriote 519-362-0555 or Pat Grosicki 519-830-3465**. All families and friends are invited.



RENOVATIONS – INTERIOR OF CHURCH

After Easter, the plan is to start the interior renovations of the church. The carpets will be removed and replaced with linoleum flooring as per Diocese, pews will be refurbished and the walls will be painted. The cost will come out of the One Heart One Soul Campaign Funds. Cost estimations will be posted when received.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE PRAYER VIGIL

February 14 - March 28, 2024 - 7 am to 7 pm daily
City sidewalk in front of the Guelph Cenotaph, Woolwich St & Eramosa Rd, Guelph. 40 Days for Life is a 40-day prayer vigil, organized locally by Guelph & Area Right to Life, to pray for the ending of abortion. Prayer volunteers are currently needed! For more information visit guelphforlife.com/40-days-for-life or call Guelph & Area Right to Life at 519-836-6311.

LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY “Take Heart: By His Wounds We Are Healed”

Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Toronto. Join the Catholic Renewal Ministry on **Saturday, March 2, 2024**. Variety of speakers. Closing Mass celebrated by Archbishop Francis Leo. Tickets \$30 and bus tickets are \$20. **For tickets and bus transportation please call: Ana Percic 519 824 8456. For more information on the rally go to <https://www.ljhr.ca/>.**

THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2024? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 26, 2024 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is now available online at hamiltondiocese.com.

15TH ANNUAL DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH CONFERENCE

Saturday March 23, 2024; 9:00am-4pm at the Old Mill (includes light lunch). Opening Mass celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Collins. Speakers: Kathleen Beckman: A Family Guide to Spiritual Warfare. Carissa Douglas: Becoming a Co-creator with God, Anna Boyagoda: Creating a Space for Prayer. Special Guest Speaker: Tammy Peterson (wife of Dr. Jordan Peterson); Dorothy Pilarski: Starting a Catholic Moms Group. **TO REGISTER VISIT www.dynamicwomenfaith.com**

The Pastoral Parish in the Modern World

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis is happy to offer a three-workshop series this spring entitled, *The Pastoral Parish in the Modern World*. This new handbook created by David Wells and Bill Huebsch provides a comprehensive outline of the new vocabulary of pastoral ministry, and how to enact it in your local setting. This workshop series is designed for anyone who is working or volunteering in parish life including pastoral teams, parish councils, and youth ministry leaders. Registration for this workshop series is now open. You can register [here](#)

Catholic in Recovery Ministry at Holy Rosary Parish



Holy Rosary Parish is hosting a Catholic in Recovery 12 step meeting Tuesday evenings at 7:00 PM in the library. Do addictions, compulsions or unhealthy attachments impair your relationship with God, yourself and / or others? This “Catholic in Recovery” meeting will provide a safe place to share and heal. **Meetings will be strictly confidential and open to all (Catholic or non-Catholic)**. Just show up or contact the Holy Rosary parish office at 519-822-4701 or contact Kevin at cir.holyrosary@gmail.com for more information.



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