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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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PARISH STAFF

Very Reverend Jeff Bergsma, Pastor
Tracy Bolzon, Office Administrator
Zofia Gadzinska, Bookkeeper



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, October 3rd

8:00am + Marites Fidelino
 + Irene Morson
 Intentions of Necita
 Intentions of Colleen Thompson
 Intentions of Nancy Litwak

WEDNESDAY, October 4th – St Francis of Assisi

8:00am + George Beitz
 8:30-11:00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 7:00pm + Maria Hoang Thi Hoa
 + Sr. Giovanni Finoro
 + Maria Pacheco
 + Pavel Jenick
 + Jozef Femiak

THURSDAY, October 5th

8:00am Intentions of Tim Kulakowsky

FRIDAY, October 6th

8:00am + Nguyen Manh Tuat
 7:00pm + Luis Manuel Carreiro

SATURDAY, October 7th – Our Lady of the Rosary

9:00am Intentions of Rinoy, Anitta, Rinu and Andrew
 5:00pm + Thadeau Nghiem Nguyen

SUNDAY, October 8th

8:30am All Parishioners
 10:15am + Desmond and Edna FitzGerald
 12:00noon + Jim Brady



*May God's peace be with those who have recently died, especially **RITA DA MAREN and HABTOM GHEBREMICAEL** 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.*

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 1, 2023

The invitation to serve often comes more than once; are you prepared with your answer? Consider ministry as a priest, deacon, religious or consecrated virgin. Are you being invited? 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 October 1, 2023

Candle #1 – + RAY LITWAK

Candle #2 – INTS of KEN and EILEEN ABRAMS

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 September 23/24 \$6,393.70
 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.

OCTOBER - DEDICATED TO THE MOST HOLY ROSARY

The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. This is primarily due to the fact that the liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated annually on **October 7**. It was instituted to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection that she gives the Church in answer to the praying of the Rosary by the faithful. The feast was introduced by Pope St. Pius V (1504-1572) in the year 1571 to commemorate the miraculous victory of the Christian forces in the Battle of Lepanto on October 7, 1571. The pope attributed more to the "arms" of the Rosary than the power of cannons and the valor of the soldiers who fought there. The Rosary is primarily a scriptural prayer. This can be summarized by the traditional phrase used by Pope Pius XII (papacy: 1939-1958) that the Rosary is "a compendium of the entire Gospel" (AAS 38 [1946] p. 419). The Rosary draws its mysteries from the New Testament and is centered on the great events of the Incarnation and Redemption. John Paul II called the Rosary his favorite prayer, in which we meditate with Mary upon the mysteries which she as a mother meditated on in her heart (Lk. 2:19) (*Osservatore Romano*, 44; 30 Oct. 1979). In this month of October, let us consider this beautiful prayer of the Rosary as a means that we too can use in order to draw closer to Jesus and Mary by meditating on the great mysteries of our salvation.



**FORMED PRESENTS:
 ETERNAL REST – The Art of Dying Well**

Eternal Rest explores the mystery of death, the afterlife and the powerful reality around the sacrament that ushers us into eternal life. Furthermore, the art of dying well is also the art of living well. By understanding who we are and what we are made for, we can order our lives and values according to God's design for our true



fulfillment. Join us to watch this series and experience the art of living well: St Joseph Parish Hall, October 5, 19, 26 and November 2 at 7pm. Please contact Tracy at the parish office to register. Study books will be provided.

FALL FOOD DRIVE



We are once again supporting the Silvercreek Community Market in conjunction with All Saints Lutheran Anglican Church. Please bring items after all Masses **the weekend of October 7/8** in the bins provided at the back of the church. **Items that are needed include:** Breakfast cereal, Peanut Butter, Pasta (not KD please!), pasta sauce, rice, red lentils, canned fish, canned vegetables and chickpeas. Also needed is **1L bottles** of vegetable oil. **Please check each item for the "best before" date as we cannot give out food that is stale dated.** Thank you for supporting this endeavour.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – FAMILY BINGO

Come out and join the Knights of Columbus sponsored Fun Family Bingo nights - **Saturday October 21, 2023** in the parish hall. Doors open at 6pm. Bingo starts and doors close at 6:30pm, so arrive early to save your spot! Please bring your own snacks, drinks, bingo dabbers, tape and markers. Entrance fee is \$2.00 (to cover expenses). Bring your family and friends for a fun evening!

Adult and Youth LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

Sponsored by: BLD-GVO St. Joseph Guelph DIP

Starting **October 6th to November 5th, 2023 on FRIDAY's** (October 6th at 7:00 p.m., other Fridays @ 8:00 p.m.) for those 14-18yrs (youth) and 18-and older (adults). **LSS Proper Weekend: November 3rd to 5th, 2023 at St. Peter School, 150 Westwood Road, Guelph. It will be held at St Joseph Church Hall. FREE OF CHARGE.** If you know of anyone interested and who would benefit from this seminar or need further information and/or, to register, please call or e-mail: Siby and Felicita Verghese: 519-835-6571 or (uluthuva@gmail.com); Ed and Susan Reyes: 519-821-7555 or (sl.reyes@hotmail.com); St. Joseph Rectory: 519-822-4614 (Tracy) or (stjosephguelph@rogers.com).

MEDITATIONS – HENRI NOUWEN SOCIETY –

Every Bit of Life is Touched by a Bit of Death

Joy and sadness are as close to each other as the splendid colored leaves of a New England fall to the soberness of barren trees. When you touch the hand of a returning friend, you already know that he will have to leave again. When you are moved by the quiet vastness of a sun-colored ocean, you miss the friend who cannot see the same. Joy and sadness are born at the same time, both arising from such deep places in your heart that you can't find words to capture your complex emotions.

But this intimate experience in which every bit of life is touched by a bit of death can point us beyond the limits of our existence. It can do so by making us look forward in expectation to the day when our hearts will be filled with perfect joy, a joy that no one shall take away from us. **"Every valley shall be raised up, every mountain and hill made low; the rough ground shall become level, the rugged places a plain. And the glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all mankind together will see it. For the mouth of the Lord has spoken."** ISAIAH 40:4,5 (NIV)

ST VINCENT de PAUL STORE – JOB OPPORTUNITY

The St. Vincent De Paul Thrift Store is looking to hire a part-time employee to assist with pickups and deliveries on the truck and assisting in the store. Must be physically able and comfortable lifting large items and moving furniture on a regular basis. Must be able to pass background check. If interested, please call Brendan at: 519-836-5829.

CATHOLIC MOMS GROUP

The Catholic Moms Group Ministry at **St. John the Baptist Parish** is geared towards uplifting the Vocation of Motherhood. Meetings take place on the **first Wednesday of Every Month from 4:30pm to 6:00pm**. It takes a village to raise children, and as Moms we are not meant to figure it all out on our own. All moms welcome!



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, **Cardinal Thomas Collins: Saturday, October 7.**

YOUNG ADULTS' NIGHTS

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-7:30pm), Social with Food (7:30pm-8:30pm), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on **Saturday October 7th** at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate (28 Norfolk Street, Guelph), and on **Saturday, November 4th** at Saint Pius X Church (9 Waverly Street, Brantford). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

SEPARATED / DIVORCED SUPPORT GROUP WATERLOO

Life changes are never easy. After a separation or divorce, you may be feeling isolated or need of support and healing to adjust to your new life? Come together with others to realize there is a 'second act'. Join us on the 3rd Tuesday of every month - 7:30-8:30 pm - October 17, November 21, and December 19, 2023. We will meet in the Parish Centre (basement) of St. Michael Church, 80 University Avenue West, Waterloo at 7:30pm. To register: Phone 519-884-9311, or Email: parish@stmichaelw.ca

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.



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