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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.

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

PARISH STAFF

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



St. Joseph Catholic Parish



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 JPII

Pray

Let us pray the Rosary with our families

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



THIRTY- SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MONDAY, November 11th – Remembrance Day 12noon + Chon Le

<u>TUESDAY, November 12th</u> – St Josaphat, Bishop

8:00am Intentions of Connor, Courtney and William Intentions of Jane and Michael Lay Intentions of John Ndungu In Thanksgiving + Mario Follo

WEDNESDAY, November 13th

8:00am	+ Gino Della-Fazia	
8:30am -	11:00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
7:00pm	+ Jacqueline Dupuis	
+ Siva Anton Pararajasingham		
+ Anthony and John Baptist Tran		
	All Souls in Purgatory	

THURSDAY, November 14th

8:00am	+ Brigitta and Thomas Tam Tran
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FRIDAY, November 15th

8:00am	+ Jane Flachs
7:00pm	+ Josefino Sanez
7:30pm	Divine Mercy Chaplet

SATURDAY, November 16th

9:00am	+ Jacqueline Dupuis
5:00pm	Intentions of Trang Nguyen

SUNDAY, November 17th

8:30am	+ Joey Bellon
10:15am	+ Felice Scarozza
12noon	+ Nacita Estorco



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

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 10, 2024

How are you contributing to the treasury? God knows what gift we give to Him in love. Let us then be faithful to whatever vocation God calls us to live. Does Jesus want you to give your life to the Church? If you think that God is calling you serve Him as a priest, religious or deacon, call **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988** or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

SANCTUARY CANDLES Week of November 10, 2024 Candle #1 – INTS of MURRAY HUBER Candle #2 –

Please use the envelopes provided 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 WEEKSunday Offering November 2/3\$4,296.00Loose Collection\$1,354.90Thank 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

The clattering coins of the wealthy donations likely turned heads. But it's the poor widow's offering that gets Jesus really excited. *Clink. Clink* Two copper coins. A penny's worth. Hardly noticeable, really. Except to

Jesus. He's so moved by the widow's generosity; he calls the disciples over. A teachable moment for them. And for us. Be it our treasure, talent or time, it's hard not to be tightfisted with our "last penny." I would donate but...I would be more patient but...I would volunteer but...It's so easy to rationalize it to ourselves.

Now, imagine if the boy in John 6.9 had done that with his loaves and fish. "Sorry, Jesus. I can't. I need it. I'm hungry. Besides, it wouldn't feed 5,000 people anyway." But because Jesus asks, the boy – hungry as he is- gives. Because God asks, the widow – poor as she is – gives. Their trust in God helps them see the opportunity of giving. It inspires true generosity. And God works through them. God calls us to be cheerful givers. To give what we can with gratitude. To be generous, simply because God asks us through the needs of others. Generosity is not about turning heads; it's about touching hearts. What time, talent or treasure is God asking of you this week? It's a great opportunity. Are you all in? *Excerpt from Living with Christ.*

ST JOSEPH CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Do you like to sing? Children and Youth from Grades 2 to 12 are invited to join our new St. Joseph Parish Children's Choir which will sing at the 10:15am Mass on the first Sunday of every month during the



school year. We will also sing Parish Advent Concert on December 7 at 7:00pm and 5:00pm Christmas Eve! Our first Sunday Mass will be on November 10 with two practices on Tuesday, November5 and Thursday November 7th 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. in the church. Please contact Mrs. Gooyers via email at

jaimelynn.gooyers@wellingtoncdsb.ca or by phone/text at 519-831-7191, or simply come to practice on November 5th at 6pm.

PARISH ADVENT CONCERT

On **Saturday December** 7th **at** 7:00pm, the children's choir will be singing Advent Hymns for the parish community. Everyone is welcome to attend this event. Please bring a non-perishable food item for the Silvercreek Community Market. We hope to see you all out in support of our Children's Choir.

CWL MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Beginning next month (November) the St. Joseph Catholic Women's League embarks on their annual membership campaign. Please renew your membership or join the CWL in November. **2025 dues are \$35**. We are very grateful for returning members and welcome new members into the sisterhood! Please consider joining the ladies of our parish as there is place for each one of us within the framework of the CWL. Please see the posters and flyers at the back of the church for more information.

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS FAMILY BINGO NIGHTS

Come out and join the Knights of Columbus sponsored Fun Family Bingo Nights - **Saturday December 14 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 \$3.00 (to cover expenses). Bring your family and friends for a fun evening!



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Shoeboxes will be available after all masses on November 2nd and 3rd. Boxes packed in Canada this year will go to El Salvador, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Senegal, The Gambia,

Guinea-Bissau, Ukraine, Philippines and a new location, Cape Verde. Will you pack a shoebox for a boy or a girl? Choose an age category; 2-4, 5-9 or 10-13. Please try to include at least one item from each category: Something to wear, something for hygiene (bar of soap, washcloth, toothbrush, hairbrush, razors, feminine hygiene etc), Something for school (fill a pencil case if you can!), Something to play with, something to love (doll or stuffie). Include a personal note and picture for the child and \$12 to cover the cost of shipping. Packed boxes and any donations will be collected the weekend of Nov 16-17. Tax receipts are available for monetary donations. Please donate loose items too - we hope to have a church packing party in 2025! Thank you for helping us spread love, hope and joy through a simple shoebox gift. Alissa & Chad Magwood and family. 519-820-7838.

MOUNT MARY OPEN HOUSE

All are welcome to the annual Come Home for Christmas Festival at Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre on Sunday December 1^{st} , 2024 from 1:00 am – 4:00 pm. There will be activities for children including cookie decorating, face painting, and ornament making. We will also have refreshments and local vendors selling small items. There is no entry fee; however, we are accepting donations of unused socks, gloves, hats, scarves and soap for the DeMazenod Door Outreach Centre. For more information please visit www.mountmary.ca. We look forward to seeing you there!

WORLD YOUTH DAY

On Sunday, November 24th, 2024 we celebrate World Youth Day! The theme young people are called to reflect on is: "those who hope in the Lord will run and not be weary". In his message addressed to young people the Holy Father, invites young people to set out on the pilgrimage of life before them, in joy and in hope! To see how others are celebrating world youth day around the Diocese and resources to celebrate yourself please visit: www.wyd.hamiltondiocese.com

<u>YOUNG ADULTS' NIGHT –</u> SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7TH – BRANTFORD

During the Advent Season, Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, December 7th at St. Basil's Church (50 Palace Street, Brantford). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/ For information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

The Diocese of Hamilton provides formation for Extraordinary Ministers of Communion. This workshop is for parishioners new to this ministry or considering it and a good refresher for experienced ministers. Participants receive a mandate from the Bishop of Hamilton. The cost is \$30 and includes lunch. Workshops are offered on *Saturday, November 16, 2024*, *St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Burlington, ON, 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m; Saturday, November 23, 2024*, *St. John Parish, Kitchener, ON, 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.* (*Spanish*) Register through the Diocese of Hamilton website under Upcoming Events/Workshops: https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2024/02/minister-of-theword-formation-workshop-2/

MEDITATIONS – HENRI NOUWEN SOCIETY – Turn Your Mourning Into Dancing

I realize how deeply the death of a parent touches us. We suddenly

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realize that some of the most intimate ties are broken and that we are called to let our parents move away from us and their place in history.

And still I also believe that absence might lead to the awareness of a new presence. Lately, I have found much comfort in the words of Jesus: "It is for your good that I leave, because unless I leave my Spirit cannot come." Jesus' leaving meant that he would become more intimately present to us, that he would unite himself in a new way with us. Because of his death we can say: "Not I live but Christ lives in me." I have a feeling that this is not just true of Jesus, but in and through Jesus of all people who leave us. In their absence we can develop a new intimacy with them and grow. We even can become more like them and fulfill their mission in life until the day comes that we too have to leave so that our spirit can stay with those we love. In this way mourning can slowly turn into joy, and grief into rebirth.

PRAY for VOCATIONS

O Mary, who raised your Divine Son with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, intercede for all young people, especially those clouded by doubt about their vocations.

May the light of grace pierce their hearts so they may answer your Son's call, especially those whom He is inviting to the priesthood and consecrated life. Amen

