

## St. Joseph Church

**Location:** 920 Wellington St.  
Port Elgin, ON



### **Masses this week:**

Saturday, 5 p.m.  
Sunday, 11 a.m.  
Tuesday, 7 p.m.  
Wednesday, 9:30 a.m.  
Friday, 9:30 a.m.

### **Confessions:**

Saturday, 4 – 4:45 p.m.

## St. Patrick Church

**Location:** 36 Albert St. S. (Hwy 21)  
Southampton, ON



### **Masses this week:**

Sunday, 9 a.m.  
Thursday, 9:30 a.m.

### **Confessions:**

Thursday 10 – 10:45 a.m.

### **Parish Office Hours:**

Tuesday to Friday  
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

### **Divine Mercy Chaplet**

After the 5 pm Mass on  
Saturdays

### **Knights of Columbus:**

Dave Kingsman

[kingsman@bmts.com](mailto:kingsman@bmts.com)

### **Secular Franciscans:**

Bob Perrault  
519-832-3525

### **SSVP Hot Line:**

**519-832-2207**

# SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

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### **Parish Staff**

Pastor: Fr. Francisco J. Sordo  
Administrator: Rosalie Scarlett  
Secretary: Gloria Villamil

### **Welcome to St. Joseph Parish!**

If you are new in the area, we invite you to register with the parish office.  
Please find the registration form [on our website](#).

**February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

Fifth Sunday in



### **Jesus, the Word of God, came for all the world.**

Jesus came not just for those he encountered in person,  
but for the salvation of the whole world.  
As his earthly ministry touched the lives of many people,  
so does his Word spread to all the earth.  
He brings healing to those in despair  
by offering the hope of the kingdom of God.

### **Sacraments:**

**Baptism:** Contact the parish office for registration and information.  
**First Communion:** The first preparation session is on Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.  
**Confirmation:** Next Confirmation will take place in 2025.  
**R.C.I.A.:** Adults and children Grade 3 and up, contact the parish office.  
**Marriage:** Contact the parish office one year in advance.  
**Care of the Sick:** To arrange pastoral visits to the sick, call the office.  
**Catholic Funerals:** Please call the Funeral Home or the Parish at time of need. It is customary to celebrate a Funeral Mass in the church.

**Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals are offered in Spanish upon request.**

### **The Liturgy of the Word for Children**

**Sundays at the 11 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph Church**

Children 3-9 are welcome!

### **Bulletin Advertising**

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**“One loving heart sets another on fire” - St. Augustine**

## Liturgy on the Fifth Week in Ordinary Time

Date	Day	Time	+ / *	Intention + Rest in Peace / * Intentions of	Requested by	Diocese
05-Feb	Mon		*	Pastor's Intentions	N/A	Rev. Robert Sims
06-Feb	Tue	7pm	+	Marie Perreault	Fern & Lucie Desbiens	Rev. Charles Galea
07-Feb	Wed	9:30am	*	Stephanie Jennings & Family	The Cook Family	Missionaries
08-Feb	Thu	9:30am	+	Ron Auger	Brenda Murray	Rev. Robert Kiffman
09-Feb	Fri	9:30am	*	Craig Jennings & Family	The Cook Family	Rev. Pablito Labado
10-Feb	Sat	5pm	+	Ron Laflamme	Edith Laflamme	Rev. Edward Mahony
			*	Trenton Cook	Dave & Annemarie Kinsman	
			*	Fern & Lucie Desbiens	Mary Kischuck & Family	
			*	Suzanne Michaud	Mary Kischuck & Family	
			*	Jerry & Gaetane Orszynowicz	The Cook Family	
11-Feb	Sun	9am	+	Peter Haskey	Ross & Elizabeth Reid	<b>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
		11am	*	The People of the Parish	N/A	

**Divine Mercy Candle** – I will give thanks to you with all my heart

**Canadian Food for Children CFFC** accepts all food donations. Any items are welcome. Peanut Butter and granola bars are requested for February. Thank you for your generosity.

**St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank** is offering families in need of assistance to visit the Food Bank, on the third Wednesday of each month, from 1 pm – 6 pm, in the downstairs hall at St. Joseph Church. SVP is collecting crackers: soda & Ritz.

**NOTE:** Our Society is registered at the bank as “St. Vincent de Paul”. Please make your donation cheques payable to **St. Vincent de Paul**.

**Church Collections this week** Regular contributions were \$3207, PAR \$1705/week.

**First Communion 2024** Next preparation session is Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in Jubilee Hall.

**R.C.I.A.** Candidates gather on Saturdays at 10 a.m. in the downstairs Hall. They are studying what the sacraments are, and the meaning of the symbols. They will focus on ethics of life and social justice before entering into Lent.

**February Prayers request for:**

**Intentions:** Ken W., Paula Londono, Muriel Rousselle.

**Deceased:** Alicia Cook, Harriet Trepanier, Deiter Stemmler.

**Liturgy this week:**

Mon. Feb. 5 – St. Agatha, Virgin, Martyr (M)

Tue. Feb. 6 – St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs (M)

Sat. Feb. 10 - St. Scholastica, Virgin

**Vocations** - Jesus created much excitement in His day through His preaching, teaching, and healing. Today, the Church communicates that same wonder and grace by those active in priesthood, religious life, and lay ministries. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

[hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/)

**A Tour around the Globe** – To honour the diversity in

the Church and our country, we would like to invite everyone to participate in a Tour around the Globe.



If you are an immigrant, or a child or grandchild of one, or if you are native to Canada, it’s time to remember your roots, and share them with our faith community. The celebration will take place on Sunday May 26 in Jubilee Hall. Please register your country at the office, before March 31<sup>st</sup>.

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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### BISHOP OF HAMILTON

#### LENTEN MESSAGE 2024

February 1, 2024

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Lent is upon us – a time to strengthen our relationship with Jesus Christ and seek inner transformation through fasting, prayer, and acts of generosity. The Church assists us by providing many supports. Throughout Lent we are invited to participate in community *celebration of the Holy Eucharist* – on Sundays and at daily Mass during the week. Reading and reflecting on *the Scripture passages of the day* is an excellent practice, as is *any reading* that guides you closer to the Lord.

Throughout Lent, the *Sacrament of Reconciliation* is offered in your Parishes. If you are unable to find a convenient time, contact your Parish Priest who will be happy to find a time suited to your schedule. Most Parishes pray the *Stations of the Cross* as a faith community. Or you can pray them privately at your Parish church. The *Holy Rosary* is always a prayer that promotes inner peace and closeness to the Lord.

The *Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace / Caritas Canada* provides a variety of ways to offer “alms” to brothers and sisters in need through the *Share Lent campaign*. *Create Hope* is the central theme of this campaign for the coming five years. The specific theme this year is *Reaping our Rights*, echoing Pope Francis’ recent reflections in *Laudate Deum*, “Everything is connected” and “no one is saved alone”! We are invited to uphold the rights of peasants, human rights, and environmental rights, ensuring respect for all.

The Cross traced on our forehead on Ash Wednesday reminds us that “*we are going to die*”! If we know we are going to die, we must decide “*how we choose to live*”! On Easter Sunday we renew our Baptismal Promises and are sprinkled with Easter water – washing away the ashes, and renewing the assurances of our faith! We choose to live by faith in Jesus Christ – who saves us and lifts us up!

We enter the Lenten Fast committed to make a difference in our own lives, in the lives of those we love, and in the lives of brothers and sisters in the Global South. Please be generous on *Solidarity Sunday*, March 17, 2023 – the Fifth Sunday of Lent. May God bless us all as we begin this sacred journey.

Sincerely in Christ and Mary Immaculate,

*+Douglas Crosby*, OMI  
(Most Rev.) Douglas Crosby, OMI  
Bishop of Hamilton

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**Just for tonight** I will be grateful.  
I will give thanks for the past day – its failures as well as its successes, its sadness as well as its joy, and its pain as well as its pleasure.  
I will take comfort in knowing that every event and circumstance that occurred today can be used for my good and good of others.