



SAINT JOSEPH PARISH

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St. Joseph Church

Location: 920 Wellington St., Port Elgin, ON

St. Patrick Church

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

June 13th, 2021 – Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

**** GOOD NEWS ****

Thanks to the Prov. Govt “Stage One” re-opening plan, **Saint Joseph Church in Port Elgin** is now able to celebrate weekend masses at **15% capacity** while observing Govt Health and Safety Covid-19 protocols.

Mass Registration is on our Website Homepage at: www.stjospar.com

Two masses will be celebrated live in person: **Saturday – 5pm / Sunday – 9am.**

[A **Video Recording** of the mass will be available Sunday, 11am on our Website for those unable to attend.]

Parish Staff

Pastor: Rev. Fr. Christopher Tracey

Administrator: Rosalie Scarlett

Secretary/Receptionist: Gloria Villamil

Parish Office Hours:

Tuesday to Friday 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday – 5:00 PM

Sunday – 9:00 AM

* *During Pandemic, only priest and lector visible in recorded Mass.*

WEEKDAY MASS:

Wednesday – 9:30 AM

* *During Pandemic, other Weekday Masses celebrated in private by Pastor.*

MASS INTENTIONS

Request by Email at stjospar@bmts.com, regular mail, phone 519-832-2202, Sunday collection or rectory letter box.

Please provide your name, name(s) for Intentions (identify living or deceased), and if a Mass card is required.

Please enclose cash or cheque in an envelope. Cost is \$10 per intention.

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[Date: + Deceased or * Intention / Clergy, Hamilton Diocese]

14-Jun-21	Mon	*	Pastor's Intentions	Rev. Naveed Arif, O.P.
15-Jun-21	Tue	+	Alfreda Freiburger	Rev. Piotr Golinski
16-Jun-21	Wed	*	Lizzie Carolan	Sisters of Social Service (S.S.S.)
17-Jun-21	Thu	+	Lorraine Knudson	Rev. Phillip E. Cook
18-Jun-21	Fri	+	Yvon Rancourt	Very Rev. Lukasz Kopaniak, S.A.C.
19-Jun-21	Sat	+	Peter Tracey (Father of Rev. Fr. Chris)	Rev. Kevin D'Souza
12th Sunday in O.T.				
20-Jun-21	Sun	*	Parish & Pandemic Front-Line Workers	Hamilton Diocese

CHURCH COLLECTIONS During the COVID-19 Crisis

‘MANY THANKS!’ for your kind generosity during this difficult time. Peace in Christ. – Father Chris

* **CHEQUE or CASH:** Regular Mail, Rectory Letterbox or slide underneath Office Entrance Side Door.

* **ON-LINE:** Use the DONATE Button at Top of our Website Home Page: www.stjospar.com

* **PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance):** Convenient Regular Monthly Donations from your bank account or by credit card the 20th of each month. Simply complete form on our Website (PAR FORM button) and return to parish office by regular mail or the rectory letterbox.

First Holy Communion and Confirmation Celebrations have been **POSTPONED** until dates are selected and approved for **FALL 2021** as per Covid-19 restrictions.

It was decided Fall Celebrations will be safer once the majority of people have been vaccinated, by end of summer.

New Dates will be announced in coming months.

First Reconciliation and First Communion Milestones:



Fall 2020: Registration of children in Grades 2 & 3.

February 28, 2021: Our first 'virtual' preparation

March/April 2021: First Reconciliation completed

April 20, 2021: Zoom call was well attended and it gave us a chance to connect and share experiences. Parents play a primary, invaluable role in their children's Faith formation and Sacrament preparation.

Please complete and save your portfolios so that you can submit them at your First Communion Celebration when rescheduled.

St. Joseph's 'Pen Pal' Program:

This Parish Pastoral Council program is to help families with children Grades 2-8, to accomplish three main goals:

- To build community among youngest parish members.
- To provide opportunities to support children's spiritual and social development from home
- To practice reading and writing in a non-threatening, authentic environment.

The existing program runs until June 30, 2021. Approx. 20 children are participating and have been writing back and forth to their pen pals and getting to know one another over the past few months. It's been a wonderful way to build connection throughout the pandemic. We are grateful to those families who chose to participate and engage in this initiative.

Ashley and Scott Clark manage the 'Pen Pal' Program.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Milestones:

Fall 2020: Registration of Children Grades 7 & 8.

February 2021: Our first 'virtual' preparation.

March 2021: A new website was launched to allow a more accessible domain to students from all boards. The Holy Spirit helps build a strong relationship with Jesus and deep knowledge to live as a true follower of Christ.



May 16, 2021: Please complete and submit your portfolio.

Please contact the Parish Office for the following:

Baptism:	information and registration.
Marriage:	an appointment 1 year in advance of date.
First Communion:	To be celebrated in the Fall 2021
Confirmation:	To be celebrated in the Fall 2021
R.C.I.A.:	Adults, and children in Grade 3 and up.
Care of the Sick:	Visits are not allowed due to COVID-19, but prayers by phone are available.

Catholic Organizations:

Catholic Women's League (CWL)	Lucie Desbiens 519-832-6521 or Cell 519-706-0442
Knights of Columbus	Harry Orsztynowicz 519-832-9280
SJTW Secular Franciscans	Brenda Murray 519-832-6185
Society of St. Vincent de Paul	Hot Line: 519-832-2207

Faith Programs: To participate, please request a ZOOM invitation link from tcarolan06@gmail.com:

- **Faith Sharing:** Wednesdays at 1:00 to 2:30 PM to discuss up-coming Sunday readings.
- **Rosary:** Tuesdays at 7:00 PM to share in our community prayer to Mother Mary.

Visit our Facebook page [facebook.com/St-Josephs-Parish](https://www.facebook.com/St-Josephs-Parish) for updates and to find out more on how our parishioners are ministering in times of COVID.

The Baby Bottle Campaign will be virtual again this year. It runs from Mother's Day to Father's Day, to support the Grey Bruce Pregnancy Centre.

<https://preview.mailerlite.com/o2r3h8>

THE IMPACT OF COVID 19 VIRTUAL WORKSHOP



Presented by: ANNA RACINE
Sat., June 19, 2021 10:00 to 3:00 Held Virtually on ZOOM Platform
Cost: \$40.00
Register at: annaracine.org@gmail.com
or (905) 351-8367

Time Capsule

In honour of St. Joseph Parish's 50th anniversary, we are preparing a time capsule that we will seal and open 50 years from now. The idea for this capsule is to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Parish. This will represent the present, hope for our future, and heritage and history of those who open it 50 years from now.

The Parish is thrilled to facilitate this unique opportunity for our parishioners, to leave thoughtful mementos and heartfelt messages for our far-off successors to uncover.

If you would like to submit an item, or idea, to be considered for placement in the time capsule, please send it to: st.josephs.timecapsule@gmail.com

We plan on having the capsule ready by fall this year!

Turning Concern into Action around our Community

St. Vincent de Paul Society is seeking *new members*-- parishioners who are looking for an opportunity to put their faith into action. *We are called by faith to serve our community.* We can set up an information meeting to share how we serve our friends in need. Thank you! Contact Mairead Keely at 519-832-9979, for information.

Celebrating the Year of St. Joseph

In keeping with the celebration of the "Year of Saint Joseph", the CCCB National Liturgy Office and the *Office nationale de liturgie* have composed a *Novena* and an *Act of Entrustment to Saint Joseph*, imploring Saint Joseph's intercession for the welfare of the entire country, for the many needs of society, and to pray in particular for those who passed away due to COVID-19. The *Novena* begins on June 22 and ends on June 30, and is followed by the *Act of Entrustment* on Thursday, 1 July 2021 (Canada Day). The *Novena* and *Act of Entrustment* are available here [St.-Joseph-Novena-&-Act-of-Entrustment](#)

Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel: The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph will pray for you during July 8th to July 16th, 2021

Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate in the **Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel**. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to: Carmel of Saint Joseph, 1127 Carmel-Koch Road, R.R. #1, St. Agatha, ON N0B 2L0

The Dr. H. Patrick and Mrs. Gayle E. Cunningham Medical Scholarship available for 2021

Through the generosity of a benefactor in the Diocese, the **Dr. H. Patrick and Mrs. Gayle E. Cunningham Medical Scholarship** has been established and will be accepting applications for 2021. The purpose of this scholarship is to afford Catholics, faithful to the teachings of the Church, the opportunity to pursue medical education.

This scholarship has a value of \$10,000. Eligible Students are practicing Catholics who:

- Attend a parish in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hamilton
- Are enrolled in a Canadian medical school
- Intend to practice medicine in Canada.

Application deadline is June 30, 2021. Award date is July 22, 2021.

Apply at hamiltondiocese.com/news/medical-scholarship-available-for-2021

Society of St. Vincent de Paul: To support St. Vincent de Paul, please send a cheque to the parish office via the rectory letterbox or donate on line via [Canada Helps](#)

Canadian Food for Children is operating on reduced hours to ensure they can do the best for their volunteers while providing essential goods to those they serve. While donations are genuinely needed and welcomed, they ask you to consider whether your item is something a family in a developing country in need can use to survive and support their children. As always, they are very grateful for your monetary donations. You can contact them at: (905) 274-9239. Or Mail cheques to: Canadian Food for Children, 1258 Lakeshore Rd. E., Mississauga, ON L5E 1E9 or donate on line via [Canada Helps](#)

Cura Pastorum Collection: This collection is taken up on the second Sunday in June (June 13th) and provides support for the retired priests in the Diocese of Hamilton. Thanks for your generosity!

Gardeners needed!

Our Gardening Team is looking for help! Gardening is an outdoor, Covid friendly activity. indeed, it can be a relaxing exercise while keeping our churches' gardens pretty. To join and for more information, please contact Fran at 519-389-2151 or fran.wood348@gmail.com

The Tragic Act Of Hatred which occurred in London this week has heightened our awareness of the presence of Islamophobia in our communities. An increase in Anti-Semitic attacks across the country is also troubling. The Executive Committee of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops has issued a statement calling for an end to religious violence in Canada, most especially Islamophobia and Anti-Semitism. See the statement [here](#).

The Call For The Catholic Church To “Apologize” for our involvement in government sponsored Indigenous Residential Schools is loud and clear. The apologies actually began 30 years ago, when the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate offered an apology at the annual Lac Ste. Anne (Alberta) pilgrimage – a long-time sacred pilgrimage site for thousands of Indigenous Peoples from North America. The Oblates were marking their 150th anniversary of presence and ministry in Canada, and chose to make the apology an important part of the anniversary year. You can read the apology [here](#).

And Just Yesterday the CCCB announced a long-in-the-planning initiative to send a delegation of Indigenous Elders, Knowledge Keepers, residential school survivors, and young people to meet with Pope Francis in a “meaningful encounter of dialogue and healing”. The event will be a rich conversation between a diverse group of Indigenous peoples and the Pope. The pandemic and subsequent travel restrictions stalled the project; however as these restrictions ease, the delegation has resumed its planning for the visit. Read the statement [here](#).

The Diocesan Family Ministry Office is collaborating with *Hamilton Right to Life* to provide an online information session and discussion about Bill C-7. Mrs. Teresa Hartnett, Director of the Family Ministry Office, will share important information about the Bill which expands the eligibility criteria for euthanasia and assisted suicide. We need to understand the impact of this Bill on the dying and the vulnerable. Read more and register [here](#). The workshop is free on Thursday, June 17th, 7:30-8:30 p.m. Register to receive the ZOOM link.

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

Are you celebrating a milestone wedding anniversary in 2021? The Diocese has had to cancel the annual Anniversary Mass this year, but Bishop Crosby would still love to offer congratulations to all those who will be married 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years in 2021. You can register your anniversary via the link below, and the Diocese will send you the certificate you would have received if the Mass had gone ahead. [Register for your Wedding Anniversary Certificate](#).