



# 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 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021 – Thirteenth 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](http://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 followed by Adoration and Confession**

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

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Request by Email at [stjospar@bmts.com](mailto: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.

### *Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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

28-Jun-21	Mon	*	<b>Pastor's Intentions</b>	<b>Most Rev. Douglas Crosby, O.M.I.</b>
29-Jun-21	Tue	+	Karl Fortney	Rev. Msgr. Martin Vallely
30-Jun-21	Wed	+	Erika Brockmann	Holy Ghost Congregation (Spiritans) (C.S.Sp.)
1-Jul-21	Thu	+	Theresa McGhee	Rev. Jacek Kryn, S.A.C.
2-Jul-21	Fri	+	Erika Brockmann	Rev. Janusz Roginski, S.A.C.
3-Jul-21	Sat	+	Erika Brockmann	Most Rev. Matthew Ustrzycki
14th Sunday in O.T.				
4-Jul-21	Sun	*	<b>Parish &amp; Pandemic Front-Line Workers</b>	<b>Hamilton Diocese</b>

### **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](http://www.stjospar.com)

\* **PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance):** Convenient regular monthly donations from your bank account or by credit card the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. 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:**

As the ‘Pen Pal Program’ ends this June with the 2020/21 school year, it is very pleasing to know how successful the program has been. Many Thanks to Ashley and Scott Clark. Parents have expressed very positive feedback, while wonderful, unexpected, cheerful, new relationships have begun for as many as 28 children who participated. If possible, we hope to see the program continue for our students next year.

**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:**

<b>Baptism:</b>	information and registration.
<b>Marriage:</b>	an appointment 1 year in advance of date.
<b>First Communion:</b>	To be celebrated in the Fall 2021
<b>Confirmation:</b>	To be celebrated in the Fall 2021
<b>R.C.I.A.:</b>	Adults, and children in Grade 3 and up.
<b>Care of the Sick:</b>	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](mailto:tcarolan06@gmail.com):

- **Faith Sharing:** Wednesdays at 1:00 to 2:30 PM to discuss up-coming Sunday readings. This program will return in September.
- **Rosary:** Tuesdays at 7:00 PM to share in our community prayer to Mother Mary. It will run throughout the summer.

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

**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.

**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](mailto:fran.wood348@gmail.com)

### ***Time Capsule***

In honour of St. Joseph Parish's 50<sup>th</sup> 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 have any ideas about the size or shape of the capsule, where it might be placed (in or outside the church) or what items we could place in the time capsule, please send your suggestions to:

[st.josephs.timecapsule@gmail.com](mailto:st.josephs.timecapsule@gmail.com).

We hope to have the capsule ready by Fall this year!

### ***Do you need support after an abortion?***

Either your own, or someone else's? Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? Project Rachel is available to help. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, to find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.

***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

***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](#)

***Marriage Support*** - Is your marriage experiencing more trouble than joy, feeling stagnant or disconnected and/or causing you worries? The solution is Retrouvaille - a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving partnership. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works well for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. Retrouvaille is offering their weekends by zoom offering more possibilities for engagement. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email [teamrecine@gmail.com](mailto:teamrecine@gmail.com).

### ***Parenting Tip of the Month - Tip 130***

June is a good time to help your children reflect on the successes and challenges of the past school year. God provides every person with gifts to use in the world and it is good to remind your children that we are called to use our God-given gifts. Ask them to reflect on the gifts they see in themselves and share the gifts you see in them. Help them realize that they are indeed special and have good things to offer to others in their lives



### ***Canada Day – July 1***

Happy Birthday Canada! Canadians should seek to be witnesses to Christ in Canada and the world, and to continue working to influence those in government to act from Christian principles and attitudes.

Christians, realizing they do not have a lasting home here, should pray and work for justice and peace in Canada and throughout the world, so that all God's people may share in the goods of this earth. God's kingdom will come only when all people are ready to let Christ's teaching guide and rule their lives and actions.