

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH



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 519-832-2202 - Website: www.stjospar.com



New Email Address:
 We will be transitioning to a new email address for the parish:
stjosephportelgin@hamiltondiocese.com, gradually
 replacing the BMTS email.

St. Joseph Church

Location: 920 Wellington St., Port Elgin, ON

St. Patrick Church

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

July 4th, 2021 – Fourteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

**** GOOD NEWS ****

Until the Govt informs the Hamilton Diocese of an increase in allowed numbers, our permitted worship attendance remains at a cautious 15% capacity during Step 2 while more vaccinations are performed to reach the Provincial desired optimum levels.

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 followed by Adoration and Confession

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

Mass Intentions

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Request by Email at stjosephportelgin@hamiltondiocese.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.

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

5-Jul-21	Mon	*	Pastor's Intentions	Rev. Robert Sims
6-Jul-21	Tue	+	Erika Brockmann	Rev. Godwin Pinto, O.C.D.
7-Jul-21	Wed	+	Parents of Rita and Gary Varsava	Our Parish Community
8-Jul-21	Thu	+	Rose Motz	Rev. Edward Henhoeffter
9-Jul-21	Fri	+	Theresa McGhee	Rev. John Schnurr
10-Jul-21	Sat	+	Betty Haggerty	Rev. Joseph Gregory Michel
15th Sunday in O.T.				
11-Jul-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. 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.

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

Readings for the 15th Sunday in O.T.

First Reading – Amos 7.12-15

Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 85.

Second Reading – Ephesians 1.3-14

Gospel – Mark 6.7-13

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

- **Faith Sharing:** 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://www.facebook.com/St-Josephs-Parish) for updates and to find out more on how our parishioners are ministering in times of COVID.

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](#)

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. It can be relaxing exercise while keeping our churches' gardens pretty. We need someone to look after the St. Patrick's gardens, about 1 hour per week in spring and summer. To join please contact Fran at 519-389-2151 or fran.wood348@gmail.com

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 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.

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

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](#)

World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly July 25th

Pope Francis announced the establishment of a World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly the fourth Sunday of July, since it coincides with the feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne, Jesus' grandparents.

"Their voice is precious because it sings the praises of God and safeguards the roots of peoples. They remind us that old age is a gift and that grandparents are the link between generations, passing on the experience of life and faith to the young. Grandparents are often forgotten and we forget this wealth of preserving roots and passing on."

This year, the first World Day celebration will take place on **Sunday, July 25 and the chosen theme is, "I am with you always"**.