

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH



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



New Email Address:
 We are 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

September 19th, 2021 – Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**** Covid-19 Response: Stage 3 Update ****

The Provincial Government and Diocese of Hamilton are permitting us to increase mass attendance to Fall 2020 numbers, yet still following the required distancing of two metres, the wearing of masks, and sanitizing of hands.

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

Twenty-fifth Week 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]

20-Sep-21	Mon	*	Pastor's Intentions	Rev. Bernard Carroll, S.J.
21-Sep-21	Tue	+	Tony Villavarayan	Rev. Eric Jensen, S.J.
22-Sep-21	Wed	+	Cristina Belisario	Chancery Staff
23-Sep-21	Thu	*	Holy Souls in Purgatory	Rev. Rafal Dygula, S.Chr.
24-Sep-21	Fri	+	Dan Keenan	Rev. Stan Kuczaik, S.Chr.
25-Sep-21	Sat	+	Sheila Stortz	Rev. Laszlo Amaszka
26th Sunday in O.T.				
26-Sep-21	Sun	*	Parish & Pandemic Front-Line Workers	/Hamilton Diocese

Church Collections During the COVID-19 Crisis

Thank you, parishioners and visitors, for your continued financial support during this time of uncertainty. If you cannot attend one of the Masses, you can mail or drop off your envelope contribution to the parish office. You can also sign up for Pre Authorized Remittance (PAR) by completing the form on the website and submitting it to the parish office. This will be a regular monthly donation, by credit card or directly from your bank account. One-time or occasional donations can be made using the CanadaHelps button on the website.

This week's regular offerings were \$996, Diocesan Collections were \$5. Thank you for your generosity!

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, a chance to connect and share experiences with Fr. Chris and catechists, the children and their parents and caregivers, their primary teachers of the faith.

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

First Holy Communion Celebrations

Have been scheduled for the following dates:

September 25th (Sat, 11am)

September 26th (Sun, 2pm)



First Communion is a very important and holy day for Catholic children, because they are receiving for the first time the body and blood of Jesus Christ. By continuing to receive Holy Communion they will become one with Christ and will share in His eternal life. Please pray for the 31 candidates and their families as they enter into the great mystery of the Eucharist.

Congratulations to our First Communicants who received Jesus in the Eucharist on September 18:

Matthew Beumer Trenton Burger Cook
Alyson Cuomo Benjamin Gleba
Kinley Low Jada-Lynn Hennessy
Erika Wurml

We become what we receive!

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.

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

Sacrament of Confirmation Celebrations

Have been scheduled for the following dates:



September 30th (Thurs, 7 pm)

October 1st (Fri, 7 pm)

Confirmation is usually administered to young people in seventh and eighth grade who are ready to take on a more adult role in the Church. These candidates for Confirmation, or *confirmandi*, as they are called, were usually baptized as infants and must now accept the Catholic faith as their own and make a commitment to live it out with God's help. The sacrament of Confirmation gives to its recipient an outpouring of the grace and power of the Holy Spirit. Let us bring our spiritual help, as well as our authentic witness, to the 18 candidates, so that they can live the sacrament that they are receiving.

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.

Readings for the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 26

First Reading – Numbers 11.25-29

Responsorial Psalm 19

Second Reading – James 5.1-6

Gospel – Mark 9.38-43, 45, 47-48

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

The Saints of the Week -

September 20 - St. Andrew Kim Tae-Gon, Priest,

Paul Chong Ha-sang and companions, Martyrs

September 21 – St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

September 23 – St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio) Priest

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

In June, the federal government passed new legislation making September 30th a national statutory holiday: “The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation” which commemorates the history and ongoing trauma caused by residential schools and is intended to honour the survivors, families and communities who continue to grieve for those who were lost. At the direction of Bishop Douglas Crosby, Mass will be celebrated in all the parishes in the Diocese on Thursday, September 30th. Let us continue to pray for the healing of our nation and in particular for Reconciliation between the Indigenous People and all citizens of Canada.

Do You Have a Passion for Social Justice Concerns?

If you can answer YES, our SSVP Conference needs you: 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. 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](#)

Catholic Organizations:

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

CWL Council General Meeting on Zoom.

Tuesday September 21st

Beginning with the Rosary at 7pm and continue with the meeting afterwards. Email Lucie at desbiens@eastlink.ca for the link.

The Knights of Columbus Annual Car Draw Tickets have changed from the traditional paper-based Lottery to a 50/50 electronic Raffle.

This was driven by the restrictions imposed by COVID-19. Port Elgin Council **6736** is on the vendor list of the lottery that runs July through September. Winners will be announced and then the next draw will start in October and the winner will be drawn in December. K of C Members, Parishioners, their families and friends can participate by buying tickets, have a chance to win and support the charitable works of the Councils. Participants must be residents of Ontario and 18 years of age or older. See poster below, and click [here](#) to start the ticket purchase process. If you have any questions, please call Grand Knight – Harry Orszynowicz 519-832-9280. Thank you for your support in this endeavour, it is greatly appreciated. The cash prize for the last draw ending in June was \$45,000.

COVID 19 Reminder

Follow the **3 W’s** – Wash hands frequently,
Watch distance (ideally 6ft), and
Wear face covering correctly, and
the **2 A’s** - Avoid Crowds and
Arrange for outdoor activities
instead of indoors whenever possible.

VACCINE POP-UP CLINIC at the Nuclear Innovation Institute, Port Elgin on Tuesday, September 21, 4:00pm – 6:00pm. Anyone turning 12 in 2021 or older can drop-in to a COVID vaccination clinic in Grey Bruce for their first or second dose. Select pharmacies are booking first or second dose vaccination appointments for those who are eligible:

[COVID-19 pharmacy vaccine locations \(ontario.ca\)](#)

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 mail cheques to: Canadian Food for Children, 1258 Lakeshore Rd. E., Mississauga, ON L5E 1E9 or donate on line via [Canada Helps](#)

Special collection: Needs of the Church Sept. 26
Next weekend there will be a collection that, among other things, will assist our Diocese and the Dioceses across Canada to support the work of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops and pastoral projects in northern Dioceses. Please be generous.

Grey Bruce Pregnancy Centre is offering a take-out fundraising dinner. The meal will be prepared by the volunteers at Timothy Christian School and offered for pick up on Saturday October 2nd between 4-5pm. Please see the menu in the poster below this bulletin.

World Day of Migrants and Refugees September 26

“The phenomenon of migration today is a providential opportunity for the proclamation of the Gospel in the contemporary world. Men and women from various regions of the earth who have not yet encountered Jesus Christ or know him only partially, ask to be received in countries with an ancient Christian tradition. It is necessary to find adequate ways for them to meet and to become acquainted with Jesus Christ and to experience the invaluable gift of salvation” (Pope Benedict XVI, 2012)

Life Chain 2021 –

Spread the Message of Hope that Life Matters
Sunday, October 3rd, 2021 @ 2 PM
Southampton, in front of St. Patrick Church
It is a time of silent prayer to end abortion.

The Catholic Women’s League of Canada held their annual convention – virtually - in August this year and elected a new National Council. Last year, the 100th Anniversary meeting was cancelled because of the pandemic. Shari Guinta, from St. Michael Parish in Waterloo, was elected President-elect! She will be President in two years.

The Ontario State Board of the Knights of Columbus holds its first “in person” meeting since the start of the pandemic in Niagara Falls on Friday September 17th. The meeting continues through Saturday and concludes on Sunday. Recently elected Ontario State Deputy Marcel Lemmen, who hails from St. Francis Xavier Parish in Stoney Creek, is a son of the Diocese of Hamilton! We honour the many good works of the Knights of Columbus Councils in our Diocese and throughout Ontario.

Interested in Science? So are the Jesuits! Brother Guy Consolmagno, SJ, is the Director of the Vatican Observatory. On Thursday, October 14th, at 7:30 p.m. EST, he will conduct an interactive webinar on the work of a number of Jesuit scientists through history, and how their work was influenced by the Spirituality of St. Ignatius. It promises to be very informative. No charge. Register here: [Science Webinar](#).

Vision Statement

To empower and inspire women and men to make positive and healthy lifestyle choices when facing an unexpected pregnancy.



519-371-2004 · 259 10th Street East, Owen Sound, ON

Please Join Us For Our

Take Out Fundraising Dinner

GREY BRUCE PREGNANCY CENTRE

Saturday October 2nd

Pick-Up between 4 & 5 PM
at Timothy Christian School

1735 4TH AVE WEST, OWEN SOUND, ON

Dear Grey Bruce Pregnancy Center Supporter,

We hope this note finds you well and you are enjoying the beautiful summer weather which God has blessed us with.

While we are disappointed that we cannot hold our 14th annual fundraising dinner in person. We are excited to announce that we are offering a take-out fundraising dinner.

The same delicious meal you have had in the past will be prepared by the volunteers at Timothy Christian School and offered for pick up on

SATURDAY OCTOBER 2ND BETWEEN 4-5PM

We hope in lieu of getting take-out at a restaurant, you will consider supporting us by ordering meal(s) to enjoy with your family or close friends!

To RSVP please fill out the donation card included and mail it back to us, or call us at 519-371-2004.

If you would not like to purchase a take-out dinner, but would also like to make a donation to the fundraising dinner, you can use the attached form to do so.

Suggested minimum donation is \$50/person. A portion of your donation may be eligible for a tax receipt.

We truly appreciate your generosity, support and servant's hearts.

Sincerely,

Leanne Hoekstra
DIRECTOR OF GBPC

Angie Rankin
CHAIR OF THE BOARD

"What is important is faith expressing itself in love." - Galatians 5:6b

Menu

Mixed Green Salad	Creamy Mashed Potato
Roast Beef & Gravy	Dinner Rolls
Honey Glazed Chicken	Roasted Fall Vegetables

Plus 2 Homemade Desserts

Delicious Apple Crisp	Hot Fudge Cake
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Please Respond By

SEPTEMBER 25TH
with the card included, or

Email gbpregoffice@gmail.com, or

Call 519-371-2004



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