

SAINT JOSEPH PARISH



920 Wellington Street
 Port Elgin, Ontario N0H 2C3
 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

October 17th, 2021 – Twenty-Ninth 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:

Wednesdays – 9:30 AM –

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

Mass Intentions

Twenty-ninth 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]

18-Oct-21	Mon	*	Pastor's Intentions	Very Rev. Adrian Lee
19-Oct-21	Tue	+	Eileen Stody	Very Rev. Michael King
20-Oct-21	Wed	+	John Kischuck	Congregation of the Holy Cross (C.S.C.)
21-Oct-21	Thu	+	John Carty	Rev. Marko Stefanec
22-Oct-21	Fri	+	John Kischuck	Rev. Hanh Van Tran, O.M.I.
23-Oct-21	Sat	+	John Kischuck	Rev. Yvon Paquin, O.H.
30th Sunday in O.T.				
24-Oct-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 offerings were \$2475. Thank you for your generosity!

COVID Vaccines

At this time the Hamilton Diocese requires proof of vaccination from those volunteers who are active in Parish life, will be attending functions at the Parish or will be volunteering during times of the day where they will come in contact with other individuals. Volunteers who do not provide proof of vaccination and who are in contact with Parishioners, such as Choir Members and Ushers, can provide services to the Parish as long as the Parish Priest agrees to this and agrees to take on the responsibility of administering tests. Tests are only required on the days they are volunteering. Please see the Hamilton Diocese Covid-19 Vaccination Policy at our website

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 2022
Confirmation:	for students in Grades 7 & 8, to be celebrated in 2023
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.

*Compassionate Care Ministry *** NEW ****

In the difficult times that the world is going through, St. Joseph Parish is working toward opening a new ministry to "Helping people understand that Jesus is truly present to them here and now, walking the path of discipleship along with them!". If this might be of interest to you, please, please contact the parish office for more information.

The Saints of the Week -

October 18 - St. Luke, Evangelist

Luke, the writer of the Gospel and the Acts of the apostles, shows special sensitivity to evangelizing Gentiles. Luke was born a Greek and a Gentile. It is only in his gospel that we hear the parable of the Good Samaritan, that we hear Jesus praising the faith of Gentiles such as the widow of Zarephath and Naaman the Syrian (Lk.4:25-27), and that we hear the story of the one grateful leper who is a Samaritan (Lk.17:11-19). Paul refers to him as a physician.

Time Capsule 2070

What is the impact COVID-19 has brought to your life? Would you like to share your experience with your grandchildren in 50 years? Have you experienced depression due to the lockdown? Some tips about resilience for future generations? How your faith has helped you in these difficult times? Send your ideas to st.josephs.timecapsule@gmail.com.

Readings for the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 24

First Reading – Jeremiah 31.7-9
 Responsorial Psalm 90:1-6
 Second Reading – Hebrews 5.1-6
 Gospel – Mark 10.46-52

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

Faith Programs: To participate, please request a ZOOM invitation link from tcrolan06@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

World Mission Sunday – October 24

At the initiative of Pope Pius XI in 1926, the second last Sunday during October became known as World Mission Sunday. Catholics throughout the world are invited to pray for and give to the missions. The collection this Sunday is organized by the Pontifical Missions Society. The funds collected assist some 1,250 mission dioceses under the responsibility of the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples.

Pope Francis has announced that the next Synod of Bishops will take place in October 2023. The theme for the Synod is: For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission. It will be the culmination of A “three-year path” involving the People of God at every level of the Church.

THE SYNOD ON SYNODALITY will be opened at Masses celebrated in Dioceses around the world this weekend October 16 & 17. In Hamilton Diocese, the Synod will be inaugurated at the 4:00 p.m. Sunday Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. The committee charged with coordinating the involvement of parishioners is already at work developing an effective process for participation. A report of the responses from the Diocese will be sent to the Assembly of Catholic Bishops of Ontario for inclusion in the report from the Ontario Region. The responses from the Ontario Region will be sent to the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops for inclusion in the Canadian response, which in turn will be sent to the Synod Committee in the Vatican.

Care, Healing and Resilience during COVID-19

When: Tuesday, October 19th from 7:00 – 8:30 PM
Presenter: Mrs. Teresa Hartnett (Director, Family Ministry Office)
Register online by e-mailing Lucie Desbiens at desbiens@eastlink.ca so we can send your Zoom invite!

Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest Father Thomas J Clancy – Council 6736 (Port Elgin/Southampton)

is looking for participants for the Catholic Citizenship Essay Contest - this is open to all Catholic students in public, private or parochial schools in grades 8 to 12 during the current school year. Essay(s) must be typed and be between 500 and 750 words in length on the topic: “Describe some everyday obstacles to living a life of authentic faith, and how to overcome them, while providing examples from your own life”

Essay Contest for Council level will be open from September to Friday, October 29th, 2021. Entries must be submitted to Mark Lukas either via mail (Knights of Columbus, 920 Wellington Street, Port Elgin, ON N0H 2C3) or email (lukas@bmts.com).

Winners will be notified (prizes awarded for Council Level will be cash prizes). Essay(s) will be judged on the following:

- Content (35 points)
 - How clearly is the theme presented, Grammar (30 points)
 - Does the essay reflect proper sentence and paragraph structure and utilizes correct spelling and Style (35 points)
 - Does the essay show creativity, imagination and Development of the topic in a compelling style.
- A Knights of Columbus - Community/Faith in Action Program.

October Month of the Rosary

Pray the Rosary with your family for the salvation of the World, and for the success of the Synod on Synodality.

Online Learning for Adult Faith Formation –

The Diocese of Hamilton is pleased to have The University of Dayton: Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF) as a partner in adult faith formation. The VLCFF is a living adult faith community offering online learning opportunities to address the learning needs of adults in our Diocese. Whether taking courses for professional development in ministry or for personal nourishment, the VLCFF provides a breadth of opportunity for learning including full certificate programs, five-week online courses and three-week intensive online seminars. For more information, check out the [Hamilton Diocese learns web page](#) or contact the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis at (905) 528-7988 x 2339 or catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com.

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](#)

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](#)

THE SECOND LECTURE in the 2021-2022

Lectures in Catholic Experience series, takes place on October 22, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. The lecture features Paul Bramadat, who is known internationally for his work on the relationship of religion and spirituality to diversity, health security, and civil society. Check the St. Jerome's University [website](#) for information.

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 challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille helps couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving partnership. It is a practical program, where sharing is only 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. The next Retrouvaille weekend will take place via Zoom, November 4 - 7. For information call 905-664-5212 or e-mail: teamrecine@gmail.com.

Conversation Café

Bereavement Support Group

Trained facilitators will lead a six (6) consecutive week sessions.

The purpose of the group will be to provide:

- ✦ A place to meet others who have had a similar experience
- ✦ A safe, small, supportive community
- ✦ Information about loss and grief
- ✦ Opportunities to learn new ways of approaching living again
- ✦ A place to encounter new growth and balance after a death loss

To learn more and to register contact:

Jan Temple-Jones

jtemplejones@greybrucehospice.com

by October 19, 2021

Group Sessions: Tuesday evenings (6:30 to 8:00)

October 26, November 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30

Please note: Registration is limited.

