



# 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

*January 10, 2021 – The Baptism of the Lord*

**All Public Masses are Cancelled and the Office is Closed until Further Notice**

### Parish Staff

**Pastor:** Rev. Fr. Chris Tracey  
**Administrator:** Rosalie Scarlett  
**Secretary/Receptionist:** Kay Pyke-Mullen

### Parish Office Hours:

**Visits by appointment only**  
**Tuesday to Friday 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM**

### **Weekend MASSES**

**Saturday 5:00 PM**  
**Sunday 9:00 AM**

All Masses are celebrated at St. Joseph Church. Please register online. Registration closes Friday at 12 noon. Masks are mandatory. Masses are recorded for those celebrating at home. Only the priest and lector are visible.

### **Weekday MASS**

**Wednesday 9:30 AM**

During the Pandemic, weekday Masses are celebrated in private by Pastor, Fr. Chris Tracey, except for Wednesdays which will be offered at St. Joseph Church at 9:30 a.m., followed by Adoration.

## MASS INTENTIONS

A Request can be made by Email: [stjospar@bmts.com](mailto:stjospar@bmts.com) / Regular Mail / Leaving a Voicemail Message on the Parish Office Number: 519-832-2202 / Dropping a Note in the Rectory Front Door Letter Box / Using the Mass Intention Button on our website.

### *The Baptism of the Lord*

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

11-Jan-21	Mon	*	<b>Pastor's Intentions</b>	<b>Rev. Henryk Krajewski, C.R.</b>	<b>N/APPL</b>
12-Jan-21	Tue	+	Deirdre Tatomer	Rev. Lajos Angyal	Gerard Deirdre Walsh & Family
13-Jan-21	Wed	*	St. Joseph the Worker Secular Franciscans	Sisters of St. John the Baptist (C.S.J.B.)	Brenda Murray
14-Jan-21	Thu	*	St. Joseph's School Community	Rev. Joseph Durkacz	Kay Kelly & Ceire Mullen
15-Jan-21	Fri	*	The GP Mullen Family	Rev. Emmanuel Azike, O.P.	Kay Kelly & Ceire Mullen
16-Jan-21	Sat	*	The Pyke Family	Rev. Thomas Manninezhath, C.M.I.	Kay Kelly & Ceire Mullen
2 Sunday in O.T.					
17-Jan-21	Sun	*	<b>Parish &amp; Pandemic Front-Line Workers</b>	<b>/Hamilton Diocese</b>	<b>N/APPL</b>

## Provincial COVID-19 Restrictions

As per a directive from Bishop Crosby, on behalf of the Diocese of Hamilton, regarding the recent Provincial COVID-19 Restrictions, there will be NO further Masses allowed until further notice from the Diocese. As in the March 2020 lockdown, the Church and Office will again be closed until advised by the Diocese. Therefore, all calls, texts, and emails will be addressed only when possible. However, Emergency and Pastoral calls will have priority. Please observe our Provincial health guidelines: by washing hands regularly, distancing and wearing masks in social situations, and staying at home and within your personal bubble to repel this dangerous virus. Further information is on Hamilton Diocese website: <http://www.hamiltondiocese.com> As your Pastor, together with all your friends at Saint Joseph Parish, we wish everyone to be safe and well and at peace. May God bless you and keep you and your loved ones safe in his embrace. *Stay Safe Everyone – Father Chris*

## Scripture Readings

January 17<sup>rd</sup>

**The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**First Reading: 1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19**

**Psalm: Ps 40.1+3a, 6, 7-8, 9 (R.7-8)**

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 6.13c-15a, 17-20**

**Gospel: John 1.35-42**

**Faith Sharing:** Join us on Wednesdays to discuss the up-coming Sunday readings, using an easy to follow guide, via Zoom. Please email [tcarolan06@gmail.com](mailto:tcarolan06@gmail.com) to receive the invitation.

Please contact the Parish Office for the following:	
<b>Baptism:</b>	for information and registration.
<b>Marriage:</b>	for an appointment, one year in advance of the wedding date.
<b>1st Communion:</b>	if your child is in Grade 2 or 3.
<b>Confirmation:</b>	for Students in Grade 7 or 8 to be held in 2021
<b>R.C.I.A.:</b>	for Adults, and children Grade 3 and over, interested in becoming Catholics.
<b>Care of the Sick:</b>	Visits to the sick are not allowed due to COVID-19, but prayers on the phone will be offered.

## First Reconciliation and First Communion

Thank you for registering children in Grades 2 & 3. Preparation will take place virtually, and the Sacraments will be celebrated in March 2021 (First Reconciliation) and May 2021 (First Communion). Parents are the primary teachers of the faith for their child and our Catholic schools play an invaluable role in helping you and the parish in your child's faith formation.

## St. Joseph's Pen Pal Program

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

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

Scott and Ashley Clark will manage the Pen Pal Program. More information can be found on the parish website: <https://www.stjospar.com/youth.html>

## Sacrament of Confirmation

Children in Grade 7 & Grade 8 are eligible to receive the *Sacrament of Confirmation* in the Catholic Church. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, your child will develop a strong relationship with Jesus and have a proper understanding of how to live as a true follower of Christ. Preparation will take place virtually, and the sacrament will be celebrated late spring.

**The annual membership drive** for the Catholic Women's League is now taking place. Please mail or drop off your \$30 dues for 2021 to the Parish office, or send e-transfer to [h-112@cwllhamilton.ca](mailto:h-112@cwllhamilton.ca)

## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

If you want to support St. Vincent de Paul, you can send a cheque to the parish office, drop in the collection box, or donate on line through CanadaHelps.org at <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/society-of-st-vincent-de-paul-st-josephsst-patricks-conference-port-elgin/>. SSVP is collecting canned meat, tuna, salmon, ham. *Thank you for your generosity!*

## Attention:

### Parents, Grandparents, and Caregivers

**Time to Register for Kindergarten** for school entry for September 2021, for all children born in 2017 (Junior Kindergarten) and for those children born in 2016 (Senior Kindergarten), if not already registered in JK.

Please call St. Joseph's Catholic School at 519-389-5495, the Catholic Education Centre at 519-364-5820, or visit [www.bgcdsb.org](http://www.bgcdsb.org) for more information on how to register.

St. Joseph's School is proud of our Catholic tradition of excellence in education. We warmly welcome your child and family to our school community and look forward to working with you in providing the best education for your child.