

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

October 25, 2020 – 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Staff

Pastor: Rev. Fr. Chris Tracey

Administrator: Rosalie Scarlett

Secretary-Receptionist: Gloria Villamil

Parish Office Hours:

Visits by appointment only

Tuesday to Friday

10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

SUNDAY MASS

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

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASS

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.

Wednesday 9:30 a.m.

MASS INTENTIONS

A Request can be made by Email: 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.

THIRTIETH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

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

Oct 26 (Mon):	*	Pastor's Intentions	/ Rev. Frank Freitas	N/APPL
Oct 27 (Tue):	+	Deceased members of the Walsh fami	/ Rev. Sutherland MacDonald, CR	Deirdre Walsh
Oct 28 (Wed):	*	The Vidotto Family	/ Felician Franciscan Sisters (CSSF)	Connie Vidotto
Oct 29 (Thu):	+	Deceased members of the O'Loughlin	/ Rev. Chester Chmurzynski, CR	Deirdre Walsh
Oct 30 (Fri):	*	Terry Blackwell	/ Rev. Pat Aiello, CR	John & Mary Kischuck
Oct 31 (Sat):	+	Carl Freiburger	/ Rev. Patrick McKelvie, CR	Catherine & Paul Motz
Nov 01 (Sun):	*	Parish & Pandemic Front-Line Workers: Solemnity All Saints	/ Hamilton Diocese	N/APPL

Baptism: Please call the Parish Office for information and registration.

Marriage: Contact the Office for an appointment, one year in advance of the date you have for the wedding.

First Communion: Please contact Parish Office if your child is in Grade 2 or 3. More info to come.

Confirmation: Confirmation will be held in 2021, for those in Grade 7 or 8.

R.C.I.A.: Adults, and children Grade 3 and over, interested in becoming Catholics, should contact the Parish Office.

Care of the Sick: Visits to the sick are not allowed due to COVID 19, but prayers on the phone will be offered.

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 to receive the invitation.

Use of Parish Hall and Meeting Spaces per Hamilton Diocese Directives

Unfortunately, because of current COVID restrictions on gatherings of people and the number of confirmed cases of persons who have contracted the virus climbing each day, it is not possible for Parishes to schedule events or gatherings. Private events (e.g. wedding receptions, showers, funeral luncheons), bazaars, festivals, and any new activities or groups are not permitted at this time within our parish halls or meeting spaces. Still, we are blessed to be able to keep our church open for public worship and our parish office to continue our pastoral ministry. Meanwhile, we look forward to when it is possible to hold these social activities again. - The Hamilton Diocese on behalf of Bishop Crosby.

Daylight Saving Time:

This ends on Saturday 31st of October. Clocks are moved back one hour to Standard Time.

Mission Co-operative Program 2020

The Hamilton Diocese Mission Co-operative Program has a mandate to promote the Gospel of Jesus Christ in developing countries. Missionary Organizations are invited to participate and help them achieve their mandate by describing in detail how they could assist in fulfilling the mandate in the country in which they serve and by committing to speaking in parishes in the Diocese of Hamilton to share the work they are doing in their part of the world. Even though the missionary could not come due to COVID, some parishioners still contributed, and close to \$300 was forwarded to the Diocese of Ikot Ekpene (Nigeria). May God bless you for your generous efforts on behalf of the missions.

Scripture Readings

November 1st – Thirty-first Sunday

First Reading: Revelation 7.2-4,9-14

There was a great multitude that no one could count,
from every nation,
from all tribes and peoples and languages.

Psalm 24

Lord, this is the company of those
who seek your face.

Second Reading: 1 John 3.1-3

We will see God as he is.

Gospel: Matthew 5.1-12a

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in
heaven.

First Communion & First Reconciliation

Last spring the children who were preparing to receive Jesus in Holy Communion had to interrupt their preparation due to the shutdown. We are now asking all children in Grades 2 & 3 who want to celebrate these two Sacraments, to contact the Parish Office to register. Preparation will take place virtually, and the Sacraments will be celebrated in March (First Reconciliation) and May (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.

"Get Stuffed" at St. Joseph's Catholic School

Thanks to Mrs. Hewitt, St. Joseph's Kindergarten classes are leading the Saugeen Shores "Get Stuffed" Initiative at the school. They have built three scarecrows and placed them at the entrances of St. Joseph Catholic School. If Parishioners would like to make food donations (for the Food Bank), there is a bucket next to the Scarecrows and someone from the town will be around to collect non-perishable food items until the 31st.

Liturgy this week:

October 28th – St. Simon & St. Jude, Apostles

November 1st – Solemnity of All Saints

Sunday, the Lord's Day. The saints are the principal witnesses to Christ and to the saving power of his death and resurrection. This is the focus of Sunday's celebration.

Spanish Mass & Fiesta

Another ministry cancelled due to COVID-19 was our traditional celebration of the Spanish Mass for the Mexican Workers followed by the "fiesta". This year a group of Parishioners brought a meal to the workers several times during the summer.

A special thank you to those who were able to see the face of God in the Mexican workers, offering comfort with this generous gesture.

Thanks to the Knights of Columbus

In the first week of October, the Knights: Wayne Caskanette, Jack Konings, Mark Lukas, Harry Orszynowicz, Rick Przybysz, Gabe Sousa, and Sergio



Vidotto performed a big job in St. Joseph's parking lot, installing posts and signs, including spots for the handicapped. Special thanks to Jack Konings who coordinated the project. Our parking lot now satisfies the legal requirements of the Town and the Diocese.

The annual membership drive for the Catholic Women's League is now taking place. If you are a current member, please submit your dues for 2021 by placing \$30 in an envelope with your name, and marked "CWL" and mail it to the parish or place it in the collection box at Mass. You may also use e-transfer to desbiens@eastlink.ca or contact her for more information about the CWL.