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SATURDAY MASS

5:00 pm

SUNDAY MASSES

8:30 am
10:15 am - Children's Liturgy
12 noon

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - No Mass
Tuesday to Friday - 8:00 am
Wednesday and Friday - 7:00 pm
Saturday morning - 9:00 am

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every Wednesday 8:30am to 11:00am

CONFESSION TIMES

Saturday 11:00 am to 12 noon or by appointment.

PARISH MINISTRY

There are many groups and activities in our Parish. We hope you can join one. Visit our website to find out more. Get Involved!
www.stjosephguelph.com/ministries

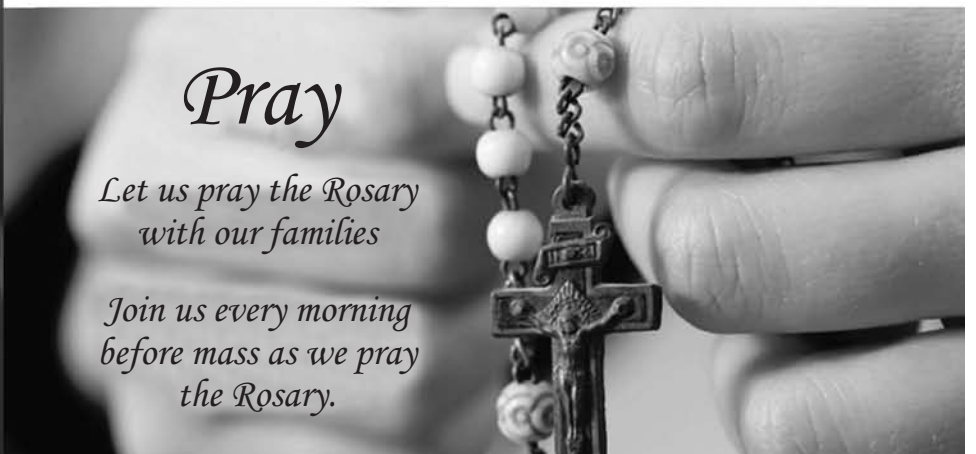
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Saint Joseph was a just man, a tireless worker, the upright guardian of those entrusted to his care. May he always guard, protect and enlighten families.

- ST JP II



Pray

Let us pray the Rosary with our families

Join us every morning before mass as we pray the Rosary.

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



TUESDAY, September 17th

8:00am + Ceyclia Gadzinska
Intentions of Donna and Morris Haley

WEDNESDAY, September 18th

8:00am Intentions of Geline Quintano
8:30am - 11:00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00pm + Isagani Banez
All Souls in Purgatory
Intentions of King Family
Intentions of Kaye Desepeda
In Thanksgiving

THURSDAY, September 19th

8:00am + Don Thackett

FRIDAY, September 20th – St Andrew Kim Tae-Gon, Paul Chong Ha-Sang and Companions

8:00am + Jacqueline Williamson
7:00pm + Raul, Ramon and Jeofilo Flores

SATURDAY, September 21st – St Matthew, Apostle

9:00am + Stan Kosior
5:00pm Intentions of Colleen Thompson
6:30pm Eritrean Mass

SUNDAY, September 22nd

8:30am Intentions of Frances and Maria Gobbi
10:15am + Rosemarie Law
12noon + Gerrit Kistemaker



May God’s peace be with those who have recently died, and those being persecuted for their faith & race, and those killed in natural disasters & their families. Please remember our parishioners who are sick and homebound and those in our Prayer Network in your prayers.

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - September 15, 2024

“Who do people say that I am?” Who do you think Jesus is? The depth of our faith is rooted in our answer. Is God calling you to be a priest, religious, or deacon? If you think you are being called to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon call **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988** or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of September 15, 2024

Candle #1 – + NICK and GRACE De NARDIS

Candle #2 – + JACQUELINE DUPUIS

Please use the envelopes provided or one of your own to request intentions for the Sanctuary Lamps, which are lit at the tabernacle. The requested offering is \$10 each. You may place the envelope in the collection or drop it in the Parish Office.



COLLECTIONS FOR THE PAST WEEK

Sunday Offering September 7/8 \$5,061.00
Loose Collection \$1,282.35
Thank you for your contribution and God Bless!

If you would like a receipt for your contribution, we need your name & full address. If you would like envelopes or to sign up for Pre-Authorized Donations, please call the Parish Office at 519-822-4614.



SUNDAY REFLECTION

Today’s gospel has Jesus expressing some pretty strong words for Peter. When Peter challenges what Jesus is telling the disciples about his death and resurrection, Jesus tells him that he thinks like a human and not like God. “Get behind me, Satan” is so strong it’s easy to see that it’s not a good thing. One has to wonder – how can we humans ever think like God does?

One clue is to consider losing vs. saving our lives. If we can lose our human way of seeing the world – give up our worldly expectations – maybe we can train ourselves to think differently and be open to what God wants. If we can think more like God, maybe we can embrace the crosses we need to bear more readily, or respond more quickly to the needs of others.

We may already be struggling with our daily prayer routine. We may not have time to join a Bible study, or catch an inspirational video or podcast. Any of these might help save ourselves from our limited and often selfish human ways of thinking. While there are many options for learning more about the mind of Jesus in our connected world, our time is still limited. What part of our lives could we lose in order to save the parts that need to be more Christ-like? *Excerpt from Living with Christ.*

INTERNATIONAL FAMILY FIESTA- RETURNS

Once again, we are having our International Family Fiesta on **Saturday, October 19th** following the 5pm Mass. If you “live” your culture and cook traditional foods, we would love to experience them in the Church Hall that evening. This will be a potluck style event where each group will have their own table of foods, flags and favours – come sample their foods! Also, if you want to contribute musically, we are encouraging this. Good will offering is accepted. We hope to see you there.



CWL Civic Evening of Spirituality

Tuesday, October 8 with Mass at 5:30 pm followed by dinner at 6:15 pm and a speaker. Cost is \$20/person. Lasagna Dinner with caesar salad and carrot cake for dessert. **We are very pleased to have Archbishop Emeritus Thomas Cardinal Collins as the celebrant of the mass and our guest speaker.** St. Joseph's CWL will be hosting the other Guelph CWL leagues and our Knights of Columbus and BLD Group. Tickets for CWL members only will be available until September 15. Tickets can be purchased from Sharon at (519) 821-4505, Evelyn at (519) 993-7304, or from the Parish Office. Tickets will then be available to members of the Knights of Columbus and BLD Group so get your tickets now and don't be disappointed. Limited seating.

**KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS
SEMI-ANNUAL BOTTLE DRIVE**



Recycle your empty beer cans, bottles, wine & liquor bottles for St Joseph Knights of Columbus Charities Fundraiser. Start saving your empties, notify your neighbours and friends to drop their empties at St Joseph Parish back parking lot **on October 19th from 9:00am to 3:00pm.** You can also cash in your empties prior and put your donation in an envelope marked K of C Bottle Drive in the church collection basket or by dropping it off at the parish office. You can also e-transfer your donation to the Treasurer at: coleri1955@icloud.com – please add message that the transfer is for bottle drive. For more information please contact Peter at 519-763-8753 or Ray at 519-261-1850. Participants will receive a draw ticket for a \$50 gift card from Puffles. For more information regarding the chairites who are benefiting see our website: www.kofcguelph.com.

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS – GUELPH STORM HOCKEY

Attention Guelph Storm fans – you can save \$5.00 when you buy a ticket for games in October (4th, 11th, 18th, 19th, and 25th). Call Terry at 519-766-0808 or Ray at 519-261-1850 or Paul at 226-343-4030 for more information. Ticket cost is \$20.00.



**KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS
FAMILY BINGO NIGHTS**

Come out and join the Knights of Columbus sponsored Fun Family Bingo Nights - **Saturday October 5, November 2 and December 7 in the parish hall.** Doors open at 6pm. Bingo starts and doors close at 6:30pm, so arrive early to save your spot! Please bring your own snacks, drinks, bingo dabbers, tape and markers. Entrance fee is \$3.00 (to cover expenses). Bring your family and friends for a fun evening!

DIOCESAN MARIAN DAYS

The Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, the Diocesan Marian Shrine, will be hosting the Diocesan Marian Days on the first Saturdays from June to October. The day begins at 9:00 a.m. and concludes at noon. The presiders for these days will be Bishop Daniel Miehm (October 5) See the Diocesan website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2024/05/marian-days/> for more information.

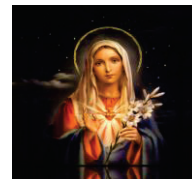
**BOOK STUDY OF "RETURN: HOW TO DRAW YOUR
CHILD BACK TO THE CHURCH"**

Parents are invited to come out and experience the information in the book "RETURN - How to Draw Your Child Back to the Church" by Brandon Vogt. This knowledge takes away the myths

about why young people leave the Church. It presents a step-by-step plan for helping them to return to the Church. Gatherings will take place on Tuesday mornings at 29 Oak St., Guelph from 10 a.m.-12 noon for **six weeks from September 17- October 22.** For further information, contact Justina Slocombe at 519-821-7222.

MARY QUEEN OF FAMILIES

Saturday September 21st, 2024 @ 1:00 pm
at Marymount Cemetery & Our Lady Immaculate Mausoleum. Everyone is invited to join us in celebrating our devotion to Our Blessed Mother. Come and share in this special occasion with us! Mass will be held at **1:00 PM**, followed by a Rosary Procession around the grounds (weather permitting). For those who have difficulty walking, the Mausoleum will be available for participation in saying the Rosary. After the Rosary, we will enjoy refreshments and fellowship.



YOUTH MINISTERS RETREAT

The annual Youth Ministers' Retreat for the Diocese of Hamilton will be held the weekend of **Friday, September 27th to Sunday, September 29th at Mount Mary Retreat Centre.** The retreat is open to all those who minister to young people within the diocese. Information and registration about the retreat can be found at hamiltondiocese.com or contacting youthministry@hamiltondiocese.com.

**MEDITATIONS – HENRI
NOUWEN SOCIETY**
Praying for God's Mercy



There is probably no prayer in the history of Christianity that has been prayed so frequently and intimately as the prayer "Lord, have mercy." This cry for mercy is possible only when we are willing to confess that somehow, somewhere, we ourselves have something to do with our losses. Crying for mercy is a recognition that blaming God, the world, or others for our losses does not do full justice to the truth of who we are. At the moment we are willing to take responsibility, even for the pain we didn't cause directly, blaming is converted into an acknowledgment of our own role in human brokenness.

The prayer for God's mercy comes from a heart that knows that this human brokenness is not a fatal condition of which we have become the sad victims, but the bitter fruit of the human choice to say no to love. **"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it."** MATTHEW 13:45,46 (NIV)

**HEARTACHE TO HEALING - GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP
AT ST. MICHAEL PARISH, WATERLOO**

Grief support provides companionship on the long journey through the grief process. Our support group follows the process developed by Dr. Bill Webster, an experienced leader in grief counselling. All who have suffered a loss are welcome, regardless of how much time has passed since your loss. **A monthly informal drop-in support** is available at St. Michael Parish on the 2nd Wednesday of the month; 7pm in the Parish Resource Centre/Library. **The 6- week Program-theory and sharing** runs Wednesday evenings (6 consecutive weeks) from **October 16th to November 20th at St. Michael Parish, Waterloo.** Registration is required by October 1st for this program by contacting our Parish office 519-884-9311, or email parish@stmichaelwv.ca



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