

St. Joseph Patron of Canada Parish

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Office Hours: Tues. & Wed. 9:30 am - 12:30 pm, Fri. 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am
11:00 am

EXPOSITION:

Friday 9:30 am - 10:30 am

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS:

Catholic Women's League
Knights of Columbus
St. Vincent Charities



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BAPTISMS:

By arrangement with the pastor.

MARRIAGES:

By arrangement one year in advance.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 pm
or by appointment.

SCHOOLS:

St. Joseph 519-853-3730
Christ the King 905-702-8838

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

We invite you to register in our parish community
by filling in a blue registration form.

A Word From Our Pastor:

With the Fourth Sunday of Lent we are reminded, by the Gospel, that we are forever loved by God. Our Faith as Christians rests on the firm conviction that God's love reaches down into our sick, bruised, and hurt world in the person of Jesus. For a faithful heart, this is the very essence of the Gospel story.

Many will look at John 3:14, perhaps the most well-known verse of the Gospels: "For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life." During the season of Lent, the question needs to be asked, "what does this mean?"

The Gospel tells us that Jesus would "be lifted up." There are two meanings, one, the glory of the Resurrection, but more obviously, the other is the Cross. How in the world can looking at the Cross, looking at suffering and death, bring us eternal life?

What we can learn is that the Cross brings lessons of penance and sacrifice. To put Jesus to death was a wicked act for He was an innocent man. We hear so much today about 'fake news' but it was present in the time of Christ whereby stories about Him spun in a direction that got rid of Him. Jesus could have backed down, but He did not. He stayed His course, choosing to walk God's way.

One may contemplate the image of Jesus on the Cross and only see failure and destruction, however; after He was lifted up, everyone saw the truth. Jesus' sacrifice was tremendous, and everyone saw nobility and courage that both changed and continues to change the world.

Lent invites us to practice sacrifice, penance, fasting and abstinence. In putting aside as many non-necessary choices in life as we can, we can remake our connection with God. God gave us His Son to give us such an example.

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Fr. Mark

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

"Lent stimulates us to let the Word of God penetrate our life and in this way to know the fundamental truth: who we are, where we come from, where we must go, what path we must take in life..."

-- Pope Benedict XVI

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

This week please pray especially for:

***Mary Albert, Rhonda Chartrand,
Marie Zions***

Stations of the Cross will be said on Fridays in Lent at 4:30 p.m. There will not be Stations of the Cross on Good Friday.



This week we pray especially for the following families:

***Anderson, Arbic, Arseneault,
Baginski, Banks, Beaton***

Knights of Columbus Fish and Chips – See the St. Joseph Patron of Canada website for ordering information. Your order will be brought right to your car in the church parking lot.

Please remember: No Fish and Chips on Good Friday!

From the CWL: A reminder to the ladies of the CWL that this year's membership fees (\$25) are due. Please put it in an envelope marked with your name and "CWL".

You could: drop it off at the church at Mass or at the office during regular hours, or email Christie deSouza at cwl@artist.com, or call at [519-853-5819](tel:519-853-5819) to ask for it to be picked up

Anniversary Mass 2021 Registration - The Anniversary Mass scheduled for June of 2021 has been cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions. We invite you to register your 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years of marriage on the Diocesan website at www.hamiltondiocese.com, simply click on the Anniversary Mass icon on the home page. We will send you the certificate you would have received from Bishop Crosby at the Mass. If you have questions contact familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com.

Bulletins are available online at:

<http://www.parishbulletins.com/bulletins/097>

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IN NEARBY PARISHES

Sat March 20: 10:00 a.m. Penance Celebration,
Holy Cross, Georgetown

MARCH 14, 2021

HOLY WEEK



Thurs. April 1 8:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper. No Adoration or Night Prayer
 Fri. April 2 10:00 a.m. Passion Service with Holy Communion
 12:00 p.m. Passion Service with Holy Communion
 3:00 p.m. Passion Service with Holy Communion
 Sat. April 3 12:00 p.m. Blessing of food baskets **in the Church Parking Lot**
 8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass
 Sun. April 4 **Easter Sunday Masses 8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.**

DAY & TIME	MASS INTENTIONS (March 15 – March 21)	REQUESTED BY:
Tues 7:00 p.m.	Heather Cronin	Mary Smith and Family
Wed. 9:00 a.m.	Dusan Klemencic*	Helen Klemencic
Thurs. 7:00 p.m.	Teresa Bottero	Luisetto Family
Fri. 9:00 a.m.	Julia and Peter Dyczkowski	Kwiatkowski Family
Sat. 5:00 p.m.	Tony and Mary Gorjup*	Gorjup Family
Sun. 8:30 a.m.	Pro populo	
Sun. 10:00 a.m.	Pro populo	
Sun. 11:30 a.m.	Wilfred and JoAnn Duval*	Their Children

*Postponed from Lockdown



Only Lectors are serving until further notice. There may be a Sunday which has no Lector assigned. If you are a Lector and can fill in, it would be most appreciated.

Sat. 5:00 p.m.
 Sun. 8:30 a.m.
 10:00 a.m.
 11:30 a.m.

Pornography: The Threat, Impact and Catholic Remedy - Pornography is one of the most crucial issues to understand in our world. With the ease of its availability on the internet, it affects people of all ages and backgrounds, whether male. Pornography today is violent, degrading, and often involves young people who have been sex trafficked. **Join us on Zoom (by internet or phone) March 25th from 7-8:30pm** and hear more about the threat and impact of pornography on children and adults, how we can educate ourselves and our children to counter its negative influence, and how our Catholic faith provides hope to those impacted. Presented by Mrs. Teresa Hartnett and Deacon Joseph Di Loreto. Registration is required but the session is free of charge. Register at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/pornography-help>.



CONTACT PERSONS for CWL and K of C

Anyone interested in learning more about our parish Catholic Women's League or Knights of Columbus is invited to call the appropriate contact person:

CWL: Christy deSouza: cwl@artist.com
 K of C: Sean Saunders: grand.knight.8050@gmail.com

MEETINGS

Currently Suspended






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Catholic Women's League



of St. Joseph's invites the ladies of the Parish to our regular meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm.

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