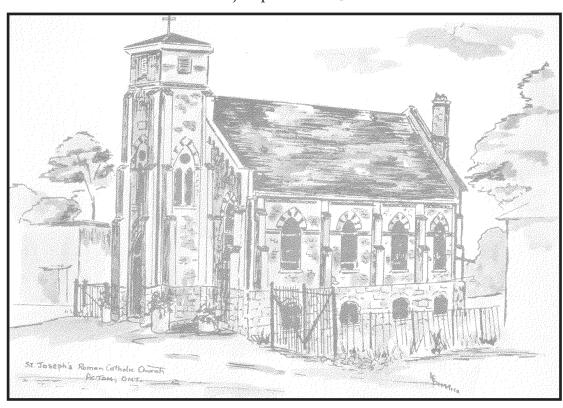
# St. Joseph Patron of Canada Parish

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#### **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



#### **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:

he fourth Sunday of Easter is known in the Church's world as 'Vocations Sunday' when we pray for service in the priesthood and religious life. This year, we have the honour here at St. Joseph's, to host a Mass for vocations. The Mass will be celebrated on Saturday May 14th at 10 a.m. All are welcome to attend this Mass. If one is not able to attend the Mass, prayers are always still needed to foster vocations for the priesthood and religious life.

Why should we pray for vocations? All of us have a mission in life, sometimes it takes us many years to realize this, but it is there for us to achieve. One needs to see that the Word of God, which first came to us through the sacrament of Baptism, is waiting to blossom forth in a more complete way in each of us. One must come to the realization that God has created us for some definite service. We may not be able to explain it in a specific way or in words, but we can be a little bit like Christ in our own homes and do our best to cooperate with His invitation to "come, follow me" and to encourage others to do the same.

It is easy for a person to wash their hands of the responsibility to foster vocations and promote the Gospel. This Sunday should make us aware that praying for and fostering vocations is the concern of the entire believing community. God may not knock at every door looking for someone to respond to a religious vocation, however; we should open our hearts to allow Him to enter if He does approach. This openness will allow, at the very least, the beginning of something which is truly wonderful and blessed.

I also wish to take this opportunity to bless all mothers on this Mother's Day. It is very appropriate that we celebrate both Mother's Day and Vocations Sunday on the same weekend this year. Vocations to religious life usually begin in a home and mothers provide in many ways the foundation of vocations.

I also would like to congratulate the young children who received the Eucharist for the first time this weekend in our parish. We pray for them and their families during this special, holy time of their lives.

Fr. Mark

#### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

"The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the heart of a mother." - St. Therese of Lisieux

#### PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

This week please pray especially for:

#### Donna Mae Zacheriah, Jean Smith, Ronald Parker



This week we pray especially for the following families:

#### Kosir, Kozubal, Kruszewski

The Ignatius Jesuit Centre will be hosting an 8-Day Retreat on Listening to Indigenous Voices May 18 @ 7:30 pm - May 26 @ 1:00 pm. Facilitated by Shasha Sky and Dave Skene from White Owl Native Ancestry Assoc. in collaboration with Victoria Blanco, Mark Hathaway, and Trevor Scott, SJ, from the Jesuit Forum for Social Faith and Justice. The group gathers to acknowledge Truth and Reconciliation Call to Action #60 and educate on the ways we can honour and respect Indigenous spirituality and the history of residential schools in Canada. Cost accommodation information be found can www.ignatiusguelph.ca

Holy Sepulchre Cemetery Mass - The Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Hamilton is pleased to announce that the Spring Memorial Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Burlington, will be held on Saturday, May 14 at 11:00am. Please be advised that this Mass will take place outdoors. All are welcome!

DAY & TIME		MASS INTENTIONS (May 9 - May 15)	REQUESTED BY:
Tues	7:00 p.m.	Helen Klemencic	Suzanne Blanchet-Haffey
Wed.	9:00 a.m.	People of Ukraine	
Thurs.	7:00 p.m.	Indigenous People of Canada	
Fri.	9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Mary Pozniak	Kwiatkowski Family
Sat.	10:00 a.m.	Vocation Intentions	
	5:00 p.m.	Annie Rea	Rea Family
Sun.	8:30 a.m.	William Bruce Hutchison	Raats Family
	10:00 a.m.	Pro populo	
	11:30 a.m.	Pro populo	



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.





#### **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: Christie deSouza: 519-400-6012 cwl@lartist.com K of C: Sean Saunders: grand.knight.8050@gmail.com

The Office of Youth Ministry is pleased to present Accompanying Forward – An Afternoon with Roy Petitfils May 27 at 1 pm for a virtual conversation about accompanying young people as they navigate their new realities and their mental health. Roy is a Catholic author, speaker, and psychotherapist with over 25 years experience ministering to youth and young adults in parishes, dioceses, and schools. Registration can be found on our Diocesan website under Youth Ministers Events and Resources.

#### **Bulletins** are available online at:

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

Religious Articles and Gifts for all Occasions Please call Geralda 905-691-9082

#### **MEETINGS**

Mon. 6:00 p.m. Tops

Tues 7:30 p.m. CWL General

Wed. 8:00 p.m. AA

#### Wedding Anniversary Mass 2022 Registration

The Wedding Anniversary Mass, which would normally have been scheduled for June of 2022, will not occur this year due to the continued concerns around COVID-19. We invite you to register your 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years of marriage on the Diocesan website at <a href="https://hamiltondiocese.com/">https://hamiltondiocese.com/</a> and we will be happy to send you the certificate you would have received from Bishop Crosby at the Mass. The Wedding Anniversary Mass is listed on the home page under Upcoming Events.

**CWL Meeting**: There will be a CWL General meeting at 7:30 p.m. (after 7:00 Mass) on Tuesday, May 10, in the Church Hall.

Mass for Vocations: The Serra Club will be hosting a special Mass for Vocations in our church on Saturday May 14 at 10:00 a.m. All are welcome.





#### Knights of Columbus

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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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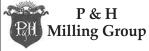


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