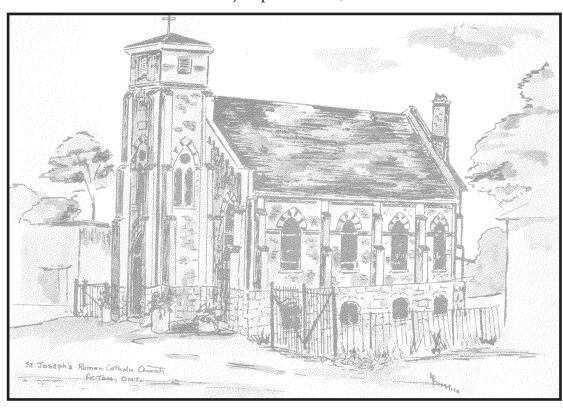
# St. Joseph Patron of Canada Parish

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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:

s we enter the month of November, we will witness a number of changes. This weekend we change our clocks, we 'fall back' one hour in time. One notices right away how dark it is earlier in the evening. We notice liturgically some changes as well. The Church call upon its members to pray in a special way for the dearly departed marked with the sign of faith. This past week we celebrated the solemnity of All Saints (November 1) and the Feast of All Souls (November 2). This upcoming week we pray and ponder Remembrance Day in which we honour those who make the ultimate sacrifice for our country.

We are also coming to the end of this specific liturgical year and two weeks from now we observe this ending with the Solemnity of Christ the King, whereby we celebrate the coming of Our Lord in all His majesty.

With all these signs of the end of time and of dying, this Sunday's readings show us images of death and the promise of life after death.

The image or belief of life after death was something that, before the time of Christ, people did not profess. It was not until the time of the Book of Maccabees, which is the source of the first reading today, that the idea of life after death was first spoken of. By the time of Jesus, the belief in life after death was disputed between the two religious groups, the Sadducees and the Pharisees. The Sadducees had no belief in the afterlife, their belief was that one lived on through their children. The Pharisees had, by the time of Christ, fully embraced belief in the afterlife. Jesus truly believed in this as well. The Sadducees had resorted to mocking this belief, but Jesus stood firm in His convictions. Jesus states that life or belief in the Resurrection will be of a completely different quality and an altogether new experience. Life with God is completely 'other'. What Jesus promises is that life with God is the very thing for which we are born. therefore it will be a happening we could never imagine.

The month of November is here with its short days and long dark nights. The year is coming to an end, both liturgically and in a secular sense. It is a suitable time to remember our dead and to acknowledge that we will be able to face them in

eternal life. We must trust and believe that death is the doorway leading to eternal life. It is our leap into eternity with God calling us to the fullness of life.

Fr. Mark

#### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

"Courage is almost a contradiction in terms. It means a strong desire to live taking the form of readiness to die."

- G.K. Chesterton

#### PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

This week and next please pray especially for:

### Ronald Parker, Karin Brozic, Fran Walters

Bulletins are available online at:

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



We are praying especially for the following families of our parish:

## Jarbeau, Jones, Joseph, Jowett, Kavanagh, Kelly

WYD FUNDRAISING DINNER: A Taste of Portugal... Save the Date! The Diocesan World Youth Day Planning Team warmly invites you to a fundraising dinner at St. Mary's Church in Hamilton on Saturday, February 04, 2023. Join us as we celebrate the delegation of young people who will be attending World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal this summer while enjoying fine Portuguese food, music and cultural dance! Tickets will be available soon and full tables are available to purchase for families or parish teams. Please contact our office for more details or to reserve tickets: wyd@hamiltondiocese.com

#### MOUNT MARY IMMACULATE RETREAT CENTRE

(437 Wilson St. E, Ancaster ON) is hosting an Open House and Christmas Market on December 10th from 10:00 am-4:00pm. Guests are welcome to tour the grounds and buildings, enjoy some seasonal refreshments and do some Christmas shopping. Admission is free, and all are welcome! For more information about Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre please visit: www.mountmary.ca

#### **NOVEMBER 6, 2022**

DAY & TIME		MASS INTENTIONS (November 7 - 13)	REQUESTED BY:
Tues.	7:00 p.m.	Marcella Miller	Mary Smith
Wed.	9:00 a.m.	Margaret MacLellan	Siena Ancker
Thurs.	7:00 p.m.	People of Ukraine	
Fri.	9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Marcin Podsada	Podsada Family
Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Fiore Albano	Luisetto Family
Sun.	9:00 a.m.	Alex and Elizabeth Stefanowski	Lenora Baginski and Family
	11:00 a.m.	Pro populo	



We have returned to our Lector/Extraordinary Minister schedule. Please see Eddie MacDonald if you have any questions or if you are interested in joining the team.





#### **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: Marc MacDonald: grand.knight.8050@gmail.com

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

#### Sacraments of Baptism and Matrimony

Father Mark arranges all Baptisms and Marriages personally, by appointment. Please see Father after Mass to set a time for an interview. Marriages must be arranged one year in advance. Completion of a marriage preparation course is required. Application forms may be obtained from Father Mark.

#### **MEETINGS**

Mon. 6:00 p.m. Tops Wed. 8:00 p.m. AA St. Joseph's Patron of Canada CWL Christmas Bazaar November 26 from 10 am to 2 pm. in the Church Hall. There will be a penny sale, religious articles, caricatures by artist Lar, homemade baking with Christmas cookie plates and meat pies.

All proceeds to the charities of the CWL.

As always, we appreciate donations of baked goods. Goods can be dropped off in the Church Hall Friday evening Nov.25,7-8 pm or Saturday November 26, 9-10 am.

#### **Bazaar Penny Table**

We have a box at the back of the Church this week to collect Canadian Tire Money or cash. This will be used to purchase prizes for the Bazaar's Penny Table.

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT - DECEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup> - Fr. Mark Morley, invites all young adults (ages 20s and early 30s) of our diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), Social with Food (7:30pm-8:30pm), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm). Saturday, December 3rd at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate (28 Norfolk Street, Guelph). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com





#### Knights of Columbus

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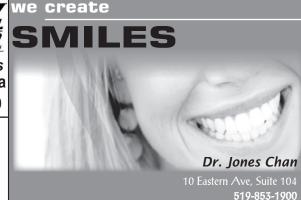
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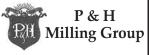
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