

# St. Joseph's Parish



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## Sunday Eucharist

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

## Weekday Eucharist

Please see schedule inside.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 p.m. or by appointment.

## Sacrament of Baptism

Please make arrangements for Baptismal Preparation two months in advance. All baptisms are celebrated on the following dates:

Jan 10/11/15	Feb 7/8	March - No Baptisms - Lent
April 18/19	May 9/10	June 13/14
July 11/12	Aug 15/16	Sept 19/20
Oct 17/18	Nov 7/8	Dec 5/6
Jan 9/10/16		

## Sacrament of Marriage

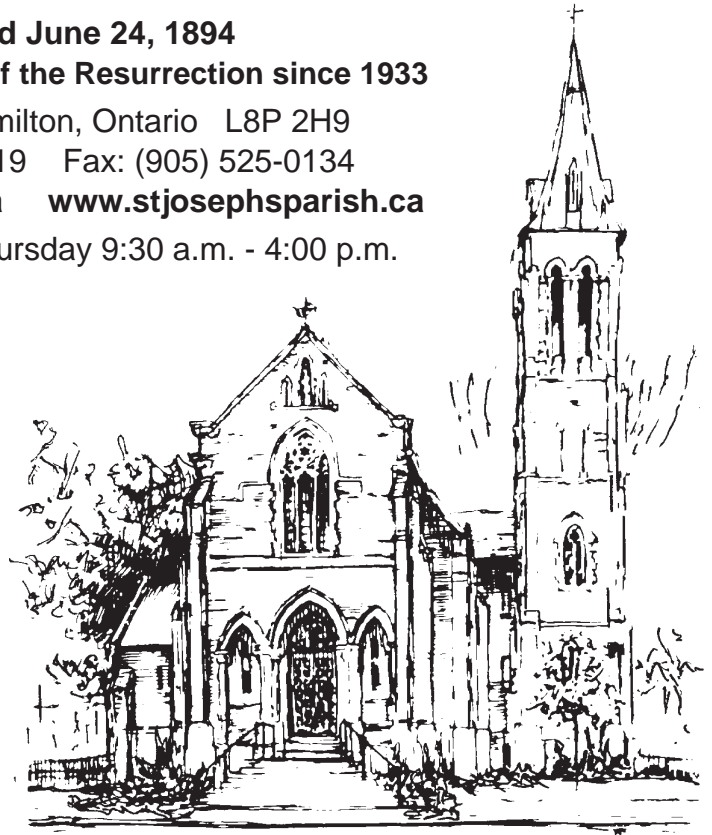
Call office one year prior to desired wedding date. A marriage preparation course and appointments required.

## Children's Liturgies (September to June)

Children from J/K to grade 2 (pre First Eucharist age). Children's Liturgy takes place in the Parish Hall during the 9:30 a.m. Sunday Eucharist.

**Parish Council Chair:** Peter Gauthier 905.526.9395

**Catholic Women's League President:**  
Margaret Puchalski 905.389.7675



## Ministry to Shut-Ins and the Sick:

If you are unable to attend church, we can make arrangements for you to receive Holy Communion at home. Please contact the office.

If you are sick or preparing for surgery, please contact the office and arrange for one of the priests to celebrate the sacrament of the anointing of the sick. Because of privacy laws, we have no way of knowing if a parishioner is in the hospital unless someone tells us; so please let us know if you would like a hospital visit. And we would encourage you not to wait until someone is unconscious or near death since the prayers are intended to help heal and support the sick persons in their time of illness.

## Interested in becoming Roman Catholic:

Contact the office regarding the RCIA.

## Religious Education for Children not in Catholic Schools:

Please contact the office.

## Vocational Information:

If you wish to pursue the possibility of a Religious or Priestly vocation, please feel free to speak with any member of the parish staff or contact Fr. Toby Collins, C.R. at crvocations@gmail.com

# EASTER SUNDAY

## LAY MINISTERS for APRIL 11-12

	5pm.	9:30am.	11:30am.
Lectors	Rolan Samuel Julia Murphy	Janet O'Sullivan Lynda Narducci Verdi Gough	Ken Sherman Lynne DiFrancesco A. Dackombe Paines
Eucharistic Ministers	Jeannie Milani Sr. Maureen Sweeney Joanne Venzon	Carol Larson John Bittman Maria Ennett	Lucy Agresta Bernice Clark Kim Dorman Michael Silvestro Aniko Ivanyi
Servers	Maya Schikolenko	Sylvia Kukucska Marguerite Kukucska	Jan Dick Gwynn Dick

### *Feast of the Divine Mercy*

All are welcome to attend the Feast of The Divine Mercy on Sunday, April 12th at St. Margaret Mary Parish, Hamilton  
 1:40pm. - 2:40pm. --- Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction  
 3:00pm. - 4:00pm. --- Holy Mass  
 Our celebrant is Fr. Jeff Bergsma  
 Please invite your family and friends.

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Venerable Michael McGivney, through your prayers and reports of his intercession in your life's endeavours.

### **ANNUAL MASS WITH NEW CATHOLICS**

Each year, the Bishop invites those who are baptized or received into the full communion of the Catholic Church to a celebration of the Eucharist at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. This year's celebration takes place on **Sunday, April 12 during the 11:00am. mass.** All are invited to participate in this special liturgy as a sign of welcome to the newest members of Christ's Body in our Diocese of Hamilton.



### **OFFERING** Our OFFERTORY Collection figures

**For the week of Mar. 28/29 was \$6,829.00**  
**Thank you for supporting our Parish.**

### **CONFIDENTIAL INCOME TAX SERVICE**

Volunteers with the Canada Revenue Agency's Volunteer Income Tax Program will be offering this service for low income Canadians whose annual income was approximately \$30,000 or less for singles, and approximately \$40,000 or less for families. The tax clinics focus is St. Joseph parishioners and our neighbours within the parish boundaries. **Please do not call the St. Joseph's Parish office as this service is provided by CVITP volunteers. This free income tax service will run from Mar. 9th-Apr. 16, 2015. No clinic on Monday, April 2nd. Hours are Monday from 10:00am. until noon and Thursdays from 5pm. until 7pm. at St. Joseph's Church in the meeting room below the office at 260 Herkimer Street, Hamilton.** Your return will be prepared and EFILED to the CRA and your paperwork will be available for pick up after your return has been filed.

## **St. Joseph's Social Justice Group**

### **Remembering Oscar Romero**

"Those who surrender to the poor through love of Christ, will live like the grains of wheat that dies....The harvest comes because of the grain that dies....Every effort to improve society, above all when society is so full of injustice and sin, is an effort that God blesses; that God wants; that God demands of us." Oscar Romero moments before he was assassinated while celebrating mass, March 24, 1980. Please join us at the next Social Justice Meeting, April 8th at 6:30pm., Room 3 in the rectory. [www.sjsj.ca](http://www.sjsj.ca)

### **Desk Scribbles . . . Easter 2015 . . . April 5, 2015 . . . Jim Link, CR**

To date I have had triple by-pass surgery, three hip replacement operations and one knee joint replacement. Those of you who have had major surgery know that before each surgery you have to sign a waiver stating that you are aware of the possible complications and side-effects that could follow the procedure --- one of which is death. For me, it was a good opportunity for prayerful reflection and examination; either I believed all the things I preached or I didn't. And if death is a possibility, do I really believe that there is something more, something beyond all this? Truthfully, in the depths of my being, I believe there is; my answer was YES!

This weekend we are invited to bask and bath in the central mystery of our faith, the death and resurrection of Jesus. Either we believe it or not. Everything about our faith rises and falls on the acceptance of this crucial event.

Even though the ultimate finish point has to be a yes or no, we all realize that getting there is no easy trip.

When I was a chaplain at the university, the students and I went on an annual conference somewhere in the province. Many times we were in the van in the middle of a snow storm. They would ask me what I do when the driving conditions get bad. Jokingly, I almost always told them the same thing, "Don't worry. When it gets too bad, I just close my eyes!" I know that closing one's eyes to the storms on the road --- or the storms in life --- is not going to change anything but the truth is, there come times when we encounter situations that are out of our control, beyond our

APRIL 5, 2015



## Mass Intentions

**MONDAY, APRIL 6 - EASTER MONDAY**  
**NO MORNING MASS**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 7**

8:00a.m. John Sloan                      Liam & Joan Scanlan

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8**

8:00a.m. Nora Nolan                      Dermot Nolan

**THURSDAY, APRIL 9**

8:00a.m. Fr. Charlie Fedy,CR      Fr. James Link,CR

**FRIDAY, APRIL 10**

8:00a.m. Intentions of Benefactors of The  
Congregation of The Resurrection

**SATURDAY, APRIL 11**

5p.m. Marie Harper & Teresa Jeffreys

Susan Harper

Jerry Mancini

Marie Mancini & Family

**SUNDAY, APRIL 12 - FEAST OF THE DIVINE MERCY**

9:30a.m. For All The People of St. Joseph's Parish

11:30a.m. Esther Ollman                      Dan Ollman

ability to manipulate or avoid. Like sailors at sea in the midst of a storm, we can do little except batten down the hatches and ride it out with confidence that the storm will not last forever and that eventually we will arrive at a safe and calm port.

With the disciples we walk the way of the cross this weekend. We eat with Jesus at the table and he leaves us bread and wine that have been transformed into his abiding presence but we scarcely understand what he is talking about. We sit stunned outside in the courtyard as our mentor, friend and leader is tried, convicted and lead away to be crucified on the hill called Golgotha. The darkness and confusion deepens as his lifeless body is taken down from the cross and laid in a tomb. And then we sit in silence, at a loss for words, outside the huge stone rolled across the tomb entrance. To believe or not to believe? That is the question.

On the third day, rumors of resurrection rumble through the community. Is it true? Is he risen? And so here we are some 2000 years later and we have to face the same questions of faith that challenged our ancestors so long ago. Ultimately our life too brings us to sit outside the closed tomb. Do we believe that this is the end or not? Believing does not mean we will have a clear idea of what's going to happen; it simply means that we refuse to say that this is the end. Believing in the resurrection invites to a new life, a new beginning, a transformation, a world for which we can neither ask for nor imagine. It is too good to be true but it's true!

May the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead bring you hope, life, peace and wholeness as you continue your journey home to the invitation to your own resurrection. Christ is alive! Alleluia!

**St. Joseph's Talent Show - April 17, 2015 - 7pm.**

Mike Malone or Norman Reintamm (416-550-6465) or alternatively please call the office and leave your name and contact information. Mike or Norman will follow up with you as quickly as possible. The Talent Show Committee looks forward to hearing from you and seeing your performance!

**Tickets:** \$15/per person and may be purchased after all masses this weekend or through the parish office.

**Time for Two: Growing in Love**

Do you ever wish you had more time as a couple? Are you surprised at how fast the days and months fly by? Do you wish you could take some time as a couple? **Then this is the weekend for you!**

**This may well be the most valuable two days you will spend together as a couple – enrich your love and knowledge of each other!!**

The Marriage Encounter/Enrichment weekend will be held on **April 11/12** at the **St. Ignatius Retreat Centre in Deemerton, Ontario.** Contact the Family Ministry Office: 905-528-7988 ext. 2249 or [familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com). Information and on line registration can be found on our website at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

Have you ever felt called to live out a Charism and Mission of a religious community by becoming its Lay Associate? If you have, the Canadian Province of the Congregation of the Resurrection ("Resurrectionists") is inviting all men and women over 18 to consider ministering with us as an **"Apostle of the Resurrection"** by becoming a member of our **Lay Associates Programme**. Our initial informative meeting will take place on Saturday, April 11th, 10am.-1pm. (lunch included) at Resurrection College in Waterloo, 265 Westmount Rd. N. Please confirm your presence by April 3rd at [fr.michal.cr@gmail.com](mailto:fr.michal.cr@gmail.com) or [905-379-8299](tel:905-379-8299)

Social Justice Group Refugee Sponsorship

Are you concerned about the state of world and the vulnerable within it? The St. Joseph community is exploring the possibility of sponsoring a family of refugees. If you are interested in learning more, please join us for a presentation on Thursday April 30th, in the parish hall at 7pm.

"We can do no great things, only small things with great love."  
Mother Teresa

St. Joseph's 9th Annual Golf Tournament - Please save the date, Sunday, June 7th at the Old Knollwood Course. Our meal will be catered by Luigi's back here in the church hall. Prices will be the same as last year. Details will be available soon.

**TRIVIA Night - Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00p.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School Gym.**

You don't have to be a brainiac to have Fun! Bring a Team (max 8 players) or leave it to us to find a team for you! Trivia Master Michael Cunliffe mixes it up for an exciting night. Cost: \$15.00. Tickets available from April 11<sup>th</sup> onward following Mass or call 905-389-7675

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