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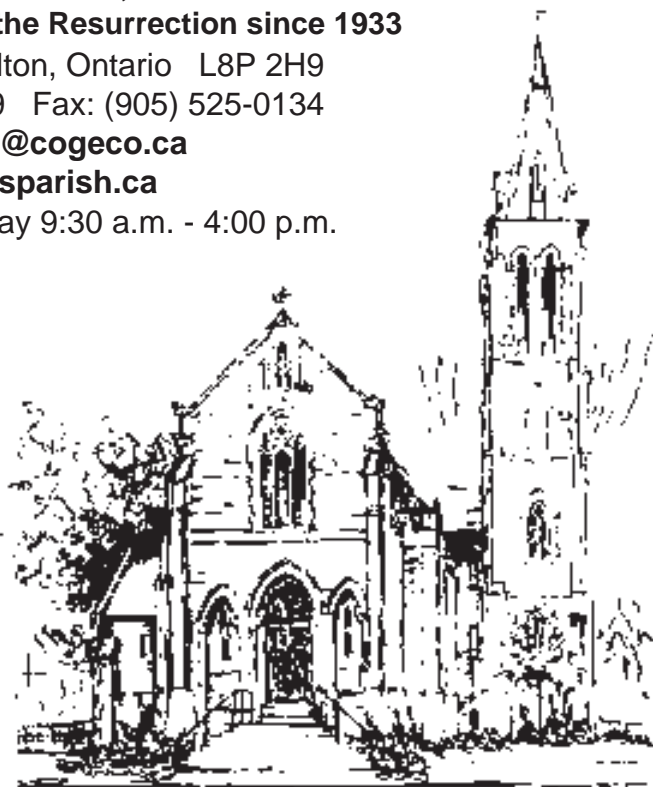
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Sunday Eucharist

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 - 4:45 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism

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

Jan 8/9	February 12/13	March 5/6
April No Baptisms	May 14/15	June 11/12
August 13/14	September 17/18	October 22/23
November 12/13	December 10/11	

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.

Pastoral Council

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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 call:

Father Bob Liddy, C.R.
519-885-0331 ext 312
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905-528-0138

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LAY MINISTERS for MARCH 5 / 6			
	5:00 p.m.	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Lectors	Denise Konig Denise Campuzano Julie Bellini	Verdi Gough Cameron Nolan Christine Weir	Christine Rzazewski-Rodney Danny Shea Gerry Shea
Eucharistic Ministers	Sheila Corr Joanne Venzon Valerie Haines	Angela Cocca John Bittman Paul Clinton Ted Dekker	Phyllis Dwyer Diane Shea Ildia Botelho Mike Scozzaro Rochelle Martin
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CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS

SOMETHING DIFFERENT - PLAN TO ATTEND... In celebration of St. Joseph Feast Day, our CWL is hosting a Chili Night on Sunday, **March 20** at 5pm in the Parish Hall. Both vegetarian and meat chili will be available. Tickets will be on sale after Masses. Adults \$10; child 8 years and under \$6.

JOIN US FOR WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - Friday, March 4 at noon at St. John's Anglican Church, Locke and Charlton Sts.

SOCIAL JUSTICE: There are many important social justice issues to address and the Internet has made it quick and easy to add your name to virtual petitions... however politicians and their staff admit that a handwritten letter often makes the biggest impact. When a few hundred voters take the time to send a handwritten letter in support of a cause, politicians quickly take notice. If Canadians spent as much time writing politicians about their concerns as they do drinking coffee with their friends we would have the good, democratic governments and responsible big businesses we all want. So why not combine the two?

The CoffeeParty.ca movement is encouraging Canadians to gather a few friends together, brew some coffee and help make governments and corporations more accountable by writing letters about the issues that concern you. It's a great way to put the Social back in Social Justice. With elections this fall in Ontario and a possible federal election coming soon, the window of opportunity is wide open for Canadians to elect politicians and governments committed to making themselves, and big businesses, more ethical, accountable and responsible.

If you'd like to get involved with the St. Joseph's Social Justice Group come and see us at the next Coffee Sunday on **March 6th**, join us at our next meeting on **Feb 24th**, contact us at stjosephsocialjustice@gmail.com or come to our annual Ash Wednesday Soup and Solidarity event on March 9th from 5-7PM.

ALSO - A member of St. Joseph's Social Justice group will be selling tickets for the Blessed Sacrament Parish Fundraiser for Development and Peace: Pasta Supper at Michelangelo's on Friday, **March 25**, \$15/ticket. Watercolour painting raffle tickets \$2 each or 3 for \$5.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

If you are celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60th plus Wedding Anniversary in 2011 you are invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, **May 15**, 2011 at the Cathedral of Christ the King at 2 p.m. Space allows room for anniversary couples only – those married 60 years or more are allowed 1 guest. Please refer to the poster at the Herkimer St. entrance of the church for information on how to register for the celebration. Registration forms must be in by **March 26**.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN TAKING PART IN A SENIORS' GROUP HERE AT ST JOSEPH'S? Our next meeting of this group will be on Thursday, February 24 at 1 p.m. in the Parish hall to discuss the organization of a senior's group at St. Joseph's parish. Anyone interested in becoming involved in a senior's group is asked to attend, bring a friend and bring your ideas concerning the role of a senior's group in our parish. This meeting should last about an hour, and is open to anyone, especially those over 60 years of age.

The group could engage in many activities, including regular meetings, trips, guest speakers, workshops on pensions and other topics of interest to seniors. Some of these topics are: advocacy for pensions, elder care, local seniors' issues and the like, social justice, employment, referrals, development of a seniors' centre and liaison with other seniors' groups.

Please attend – the number of those attending will indicate whether to continue with the idea. Phone John Roberts at 905.869.4139 for additional information or with ideas.

ADULT EDUCATION SERIES THIS LENT

Fr Sudie MacDonald will present a series of three talks on *The Church Envisioned by the Vatican Council* on Tuesday, **March 22, 29 and April 5** – 7 p.m. in the Parish hall. A Question and Answer session will follow. Refreshments will be served. Presentations will be free of charge and everyone is welcome to attend. Tell your friends.

FAST, FREE & CONFIDENTIAL INCOME TAX SERVICE

Volunteers with the Canada Revenue Agency's Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP) will be completing 2010 Income Tax Returns during March & April, 2011 for low income Canadians, whose 2010 annual income was less than \$25,000 for singles, and around \$35,000 for families. This FREE income tax service runs from March 3rd until April 19, 2011. Tax Clinics will be open every Monday morning, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 noon and every Thursday afternoon, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at St. Joseph Church, (downstairs) 260 Herkimer Street, Hamilton. Your return will be EFILED to the CRA and your paperwork can normally be picked up a week later. This Tax clinic is staffed & co-ordinated by CVITP volunteers - not by St. Joseph Parish staff.



The OFFERTORY Collection for
FEBRUARY 19 / 20 was \$5,845.36.
Thank you for your continued generosity.

**LITURGIES AT ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28
NO MORNING MASS**

TUESDAY, MARCH 1

8:00 Intentions of the Dean Family
The Domladovac Family
Intentions of Bridget Kilduff
Kathleen McGarr & Family

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2

8:00 Mario DeRoy Ella Allain & Family
Hazel Tangney Verna Curtin

THURSDAY, MARCH 3

8:00 Daniel Robinson Frances Morreale
Joyce Brown Jessie Reidel

FRIDAY, MARCH 4

8:00 Helen Koob Sisters of St. Joseph

SATURDAY, MARCH 5

5:00 Irene Moscardini Linda & Martin Pandzich
Gennaro Felice The Family

SUNDAY, MARCH 6

9:30 For all the people of St. Joseph's Parish
11:30 Mariano DeBenedictis David & Christine Curry
Joyce Brown The 11:30 Choir

The other news is that one of our Resurrectionist seminarians, Michal Kruszewski, has returned to be in residence at St. Joseph's Rectory until at least January 2012. Michal was with us last August. He has finished his theology degree in Rome and is back in Canada to finish his practical courses at St. Augustine's Seminary in Toronto. This summer, he will be enrolled in Clinical Pastoral Education courses, most likely, at St. Joseph's hospital. He is also schedule to be ordained as a deacon early this spring and although he will not be officially assigned to work here at St. Joseph's, I do hope to engage him in some weekend preaching and other duties that a deacon can perform depending on the demands of his school work. His ordination to priesthood will most likely be in February 2012. Please welcome Michal when you see him. I will fill in more of his background at a later date.

So, there are changes in the wind but, like the ancient Israelites wandering in the desert, I do trust that God will be with us, behind us and before us, guiding our faith community toward the fullness of God's reign.

THE PERMANENT DIACONATE, A VOCATION OF SERVICE

The Permanent Diaconate is an ordained ministry of service within the Roman Catholic Church. Men, married or single, age 31 to 60 are eligible to apply. This ministry requires a great commitment of time and energy on the part of the candidate and, if married, of his family s with all vocations, the Permanent Diaconate is a call from God and fro those whom He calls, and for the Church that they are called to serve, it is a great blessing. For further information speak to your parish priest of contact the Office of the Permanent Diaconate, Diocese of Hamilton, 700 King St. W. Hamilton, ON (05.528.7988 Ext. 2258; Fax 905.528.1088 Email: diaconate@hamiltondiocese.com)

Desk Scribbles . . . Feb 27 , 2011

I am scrambling a little this week to get a few words on paper before the bulletin goes out but here goes . . .

My health continues to improve although the doctors are still monitoring the antibiotic I am on and are going to change it because of the possibility of kidney damage. I am happy that the situation is being adjusted. I still have some 2-8 weeks on the drug depending on how things go. My physiotherapy is going well but slowly. The thigh muscles are not returning to normal as quickly as I would like and I am constantly being reminded that slow and steady can still win the race. Again, I thank you for your continued prayers and support. I do hope to start returning to work — at least part time — beginning next week. I don't think I will move back to the rectory quite yet until I am a bit stronger.

The big news is to be announced publically this weekend. It has long been the policy of my religious community, the Resurrectionists, that the first assignment of a priest will last from two to five years. Fr. Toby is in the midst of his fourth year here at St. Joseph's and has recently received an obedience to be re-assigned. As of July 1st, this summer, Fr. Toby will become the full time Vocation Director for the Ontario-Kentucky Province of Resurrectionists. He will be moving to a Waterloo (what house has not been determined yet) and commit himself to working and fostering new vocations to our religious community. That news was announced to our province last Saturday in Waterloo at our Founders' Day celebrations held at Resurrection College. Needless to say, Fr. Toby will be missed. His concern for the youth, the sick and elderly and his commitment to the needs of the people of St. Joseph have been exemplary. It was precisely these qualities that made him such a desirable Vocation Director. I can tell you that his appointment was met with great joy by the members of our province.

Youth Ministry This week the Youth are running the meeting! Come and join us for a friendly games competition. This event is open to our youth ages 10 to 17 and their friends. Next week (March 6th) is our annual attempt at curling. The curling will be at the Hamilton Victoria Club. Details will be in next week's bulletin.

The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph will pray for you during the Novena to St. Joseph, March 11 to March 19. Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate in the Novena to St. Joseph. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to: Carmel of Saint Joseph R.R. #1 St. Agatha, ON N0B 2L0

PENNIES FROM HEAVEN? Do you have pennies lurking in drawers, cupboards and jars that you have found while you are clearing things out??? Remember we have Penny Jars here at St Joe's. All pennies will be rolled and deposited in the Maintenance and Restoration Fund. Remember every penny counts.

SPEAKING OF CLEARING THINGS OUT... be sure to bring in your used stamps, old eye glasses and sun glasses, Canadian Tire money and Denninger's Store tapes. There are containers at the back of the church for these items. We have dedicated volunteers who will be sure to process them.

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER INTENTIONS This week we ask that you keep the following people and intentions in your prayers: Fr. Stephen Sardo, Fr. Frank Voorwerk, Basilian Fathers, (C.S.B.), Fr. Angelico Valeriotte, Fr. Gerald Mulhall and Fr. Joseph Sach.

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