

# St. Joseph's Parish



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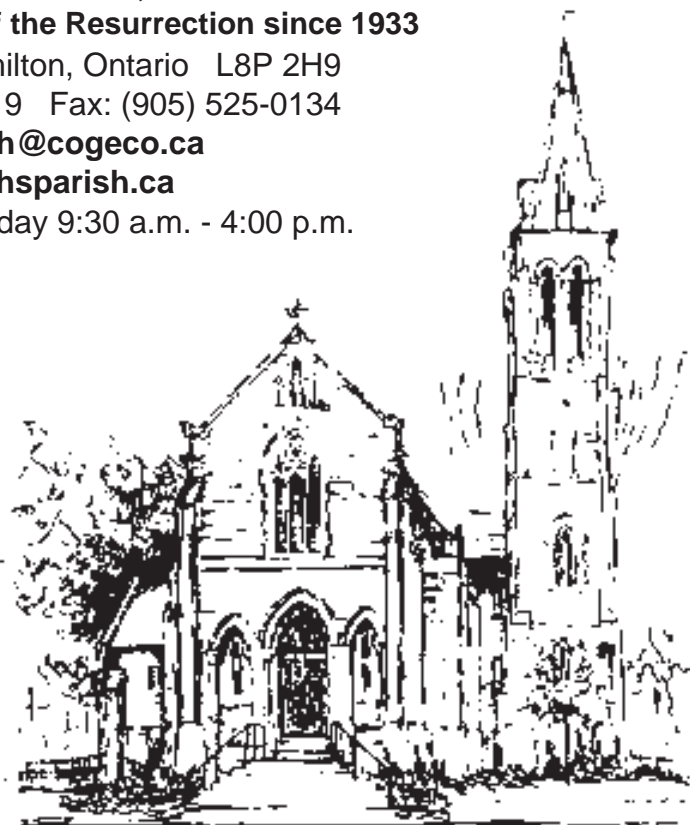
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## Parish Staff

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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 12/13	Feb 9/10	No Baptisms in March-Lent
Apr 13/14	May 11/12	Jun 8/9
Jul 13/14	Aug 17/18	Sep 14/15
Oct 19/20	Nov 9/10	Dec 7/8

## 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

Lucy Agresta

Margaret Moran

Bill DiFrancesco

Deirdre Pike

Peter Gauthier

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Nadia Margani

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School Representative - Paula Linger

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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 contact:

Father Toby Collins, C.R.

[crvocations@gmail.com](mailto:crvocations@gmail.com)

## FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LAY MINISTERS for FEBRUARY 2 / 3			
	5:00 p.m.	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
<b>Lectors</b>	Denise Konig Jill Lyons Leah Fuller	Verdi Gough Anne Boyle Mary Tompkins	Adriana Rerecich Andrea Wade Mark Mindorff
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Dean Lossing Joanne Venzon Amanda Larsen	Lynne Adams John Bittman Angela Cocca	Aniko Ivanyi Bernice Clark Rochelle Martin Ilidia Botelho Paula Linger
<b>Servers</b>	Dori Haines Aliyah Campuzano Miranda Carroll	Shaela Hurley Sylvia Kukucska	Claire DePaul Nathan Mulroney Sam Mulroney

### SOUP & SOLIDARITY

The social justice committee is having the annual Soup and Solidarity! Join us in a simple meatless meal from 5:00pm-6:30pm in the parish hall followed by the Ash Wednesday service at 7:00pm on February 13<sup>th</sup>. Cost: \$5.00 and children are free. If you would like to contribute a soup please contact Christine O'Sullivan at 905-538-3260

### YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

**Youth Drop-In Program:** every Tuesday after school, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. in the Youth Room (entrance through the Rectory). This Tuesday join us for the **KNITTING CLASS** with Margaret. Come and bring your friends!

Join us for the **Pizza and Movie Night** on **Saturday, February 16, from 6.30 – 9 p.m.** (after the 5 p.m. mass). Bring your friends and watch a great movie in a good company! Children and youth of all ages are welcome!

“Could you not watch one hour with me?” /Mt 26:40/ Come and join us in silent prayer and meditation before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament! **The Rite of the Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction** takes place **every 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month, 7 – 8 p.m.** in our church. Mark your calendars: **Feb. 15 (with Taizé chants)**, March 15, April 19, May 17, June 21. *All are welcome!*

### PARISH PILGRIMAGE

Celebrate the Year of Faith in the Land of the Bible - join us where it all began! Our parish is organizing a **pilgrimage to Israel and Jordan from April 27 to May 7, 2013**. For more details see the posters and brochures in the church, contact Fr. Michal at: fr.michal.cr@gmail.com, or Melanie (Boreal Tours) at: mel@borealtours.com or 1 877 271 1230, ext. 27 (toll free). The total cost of the pilgrimage is \$ **3,100**; deadline to register: **February 15, 2013** (down payment of \$ 500; remaining payment until mid March 2013). There are still many places available!

### Have You Ever Considered Becoming a Foster Parent?

Please join the Catholic Children's Aid Society of Hamilton at the upcoming Foster Parent Information Night and get all your questions answered! Wednesday March 6, 2013, 6:30pm. Catholic Children's Aid Society of Hamilton 735 King Street East Hamilton. For more information, or to register, please contact Carol Larsen, (905)-525-CARE (2273) or email carol.larsen@hamiltonccas.on.ca

### WILL YOU BE IN ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH DIRECTORY??

In order to accommodate the great response we have been able to negotiate a second round of sittings. Be sure to book during February 19 - 23 in order to receive a free 8 X10 picture, and a chance to be included in the Parish directory. Times are as follows: **February 19-22, from 2:30pm - 8:30pm and February 23rd from 9:30am-3:00pm.** Check out the parish website, e-mail us at [parishdirectoryphotos@gmail.com](mailto:parishdirectoryphotos@gmail.com), or sign up after Mass. We are also looking for volunteers to help us with sittings, phone calls, etc.. Please contact Paula at 905-522-1309.

### PERSONS SEPARATED AND DIVORCED

*Learning to cope (Level 1)* is a ten week support program starting **Tuesday, March 5th (7:00p.m. to 9:30p.m.)**, at the Chancery Office 700 King St. W, Hamilton. The program is for persons experiencing difficulties as a result of a separation or divorce. For more information, please contact the Family Ministry office at (905) 528- 7988 ext. 2249. Cost: \$35. **Past participants are welcome to inquire about further Levels programs starting the same week.**

### COME JOIN US TO FIND THE "KEYS TO LOVING RELATIONSHIPS"

"Keys" is a ten week video-based program meant for anyone (married or single) who is looking for a more meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better "me" in all your relationships! The program runs Thursday evenings from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm starting **February 28th** at the Chancery Office, 700 King St W Hamilton. The cost is \$45.00. For more information, please call the Family Ministry Office at (905) 258-7988 ext. 2249



**Our OFFERTORY COLLECTION  
for January 26/27 was \$5,553.50  
Thank you for your continued generosity!**

<b>LITURGIES AT ST. JOSEPH CHURCH</b>		
<b>MONDAY, JANUARY 28</b>		
<b>NO MORNING MASS ON MONDAYS</b>		
<b>TUESDAY, JANUARY 29</b>		
8:00	Rita Conry	Margaret Webster
<b>WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30</b>		
8:00	Intentions of Sister Colleen Lashmar	
	Sister Michael Sinclair	
	Special intentions of Ella Allain	
<b>THURSDAY, JANUARY 31</b>		
8:00	Vitolds Varoslavans	Anita & Barrie Carlyle
<b>FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1</b>		
8:00	Joseph Burke	Daniela & Renzo Conz
7 p.m.	La Santa Messa in onore del Sacro Cuore di Gesù	
<b>SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2</b>		
5:00	Wilfred & Mary O'Brien	
	Moneen & Ken Gillow & Family	
<b>SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3</b>		
9:30	Gildo Rabak & Valeria Corian	
		Edda Starai
	Paul Maggio	Ene Readyhough
11:30	For all the people of St. Joseph's Parish	

**Desk Scribbles . . . 4<sup>th</sup> Sun Ord Time . . . Feb 03, 2013 . . .**  
**Jim Link, CR**  
**Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71; 1 Cor 12:31-13:13; Luke 4:21-30**

A few odds and ends before I begin my reflection his week: First of all, as you read this I will be on vacation until February 12<sup>th</sup>. I am going to visit Hawaii with Fr. Jim Valk, CR who is turning 75 this year. Fr. Jim is staying for a whole month; I wanted to be back before Ash Wednesday. The sun and water and break should be a welcome relief to my hip and knees. Second, Fr. Toby is coming to preach this weekend about the continued need for all of us to work on developing a culture of vocation which allows everyone to be free to respond to God's call of service in whatever way that is. Please welcome him. Third, Maria will be on vacation until next Wednesday but Leah Fuller is covering the office for us. Fr. Michal will be capably on his own; please be kind to him; he celebrates his first anniversary as a priest this Monday, February 4<sup>th</sup>. It has been a busy year for him. And now, to some thoughts about this Sunday's readings . . .

This Sunday's readings present a challenge to us. Jeremiah has come to the understanding that God has called him to be a prophet even before he was formed in the womb; and not only that, his mission was to expand beyond the boundaries of his own people. Jeremiah was called to be a Prophet to the nations. In a similar way, the gospel today can seem hard on the Jewish people who rejected Jesus as their Messiah (after all they thought they knew him "Is not this Joseph's son?") but the truth is, Jesus own mission --- like that of Jeremiah --- was a universal one. God's call of redemption and salvation was for all the world. Luke makes it quite clear that Jesus mission to the gentiles was not an afterthought or Plan B prompted by the rejection of the Jews but was God's intent from the beginning ("and all flesh shall see the salvation of God." Lk 3:6=Isa 40:5).

Our society often promotes a sense of exclusivity and prestige. We move into gated communities that filter out and screen undesirable visitors; we buy a bottle of scotch but wish we could get the 30 year old single malt for ten times the price; we get a platinum credit card and then the company issues a titanium one with even more benefits and status; we gather in our circles of prayer and celebrate our closeness to God but refuse to open the circle to new members. We can easily understand that the Jews would have difficulty in accepting the limitless boundaries of Jesus mission to the world; after all, if everyone is special, if everyone is welcome, what makes us special or different?

Jeremiah and Jesus persisted in their mission in spite of the rejection and hardships they endured. For us, our own experience of religion, of bringing God's universal love to all people cannot be limited by our own small mindedness or need for exclusivity. We need to share what we have received from God and always leave room at the table for others to join us, not in a begrudging way but with warm welcome. Paul's exhortation to love in the second reading describes this very kind of love, a love that is selfless, other-centered, connoting a love and respect for another regardless of shared affection or personal attraction. This is the way God loves and in God there is plenty to go around.

And if we can accept this love of God for us, then we too need to let it shine on everyone we meet.

**DIOCESAN WEDDING MASS**

Are you celebrating your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2013? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, **June 2, 2012** at the Cathedral of Christ the King at 1:30 p.m. (Space allows for Anniversary couples only- those married 60 years or more may bring one guest). Please refer to the poster in the Herkimer St. entrance of the church for information on how to register for the celebration. Please register before May 6, 2013.

**World Day for Consecrated Life** will be celebrated in the Church on Saturday, February 2, 2013 and in parishes on the weekend of **February 2-3, 2013**. Please pray for the Resurrectionists and all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

**MANY THANKS** to everyone who participated in last weekend's Pasta Supper and Silent Auction. A good time was had by all. Great food, lots of fun - And the bargains!!! Anyone who successfully bid on an item has been contacted. We will have a report out to you soon. Mille grazie!

**Save time with the St. Joseph Parish Weekly Offertory  
Pre-Authorized Payment Plan.**


Enrolling is Easy! Payments are convenient. Enrolment forms are available at all of the doors of the church or from the Parish Office. For more information, if you wish to update your donations, or add to the list of donations so that you no longer need to use a box of Offertory envelopes, please pick up a new form and drop it into the collection basket once you have filled it out.

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