

# ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

March 19, 2017 A.D.

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent



## MASSES THIS WEEK

- Mon., Mar. 20**  
**8:00 am** Int. of sick & shut-ins of St. Clements' CWL members
- Tues., Mar. 21**  
**7:00 pm** † Gil Rodriguez Brase  
 req. Patricia Chircoski
- Wed., Mar. 22**  
**8:00 am** Intention of Kyle Moniz  
 req. Rosa Paiva
- Thurs., Mar. 23** *St. Turibius of Mogrovejo*  
**8:00 am** † Maria Goretti Couto  
 req. Patricia Chircoski
- Fri., Mar. 24**  
**8:00 am** † Lucia Davita  
 req. F & L Palcich  
**10:30 am** Mass at Conestoga Lodge  
**7:00 pm** *Stations of the Cross*
- Sat., Mar. 25**  
**9:00 am** Intention of Fr. Provido  
 req. Maria Venclik  
**5:00 pm** Int. of Canonization of Afonse Lamb  
 req. Legion of Mary  
 † Paul Kariisa, Fr. Chris' brother  
 req. Ruth Ann & Bert Dietrich  
 † Souls in Purgatory  
 req. Fernanda Lameira  
 † Josie & Raymond Schmidt  
 req. Children & Grandchildren
- Sun., Mar. 26**  
**9:00 am** Int. of Catherine MacKid  
 req. Lisa Reitzel  
 † Ildebrando Silveira  
 req. Maria Silveira  
 † Christian Teixeira  
 req. Family  
 † Iria S. Vargas  
 req. Margarida Soares  
**11:00 am** Intention of Parishioners  
**1:30 pm** Eritrean Community Mass



## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday after 7 pm Mass  
 in the Rectory Chapel

### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Average weekly contribution needed to cover budgeted expenses:	\$	3500.00
Mar. 12, 2017 envelopes (92)	\$	1809.00
Mar. 12, 2017 loose change	\$	189.15

Flowers for Easter \$ 108.00

Thank you for your generous support!  
 Parish Bequests: Keep your love for your parish alive!  
 Please Remember St. Joseph's in your Will and when recommending expressions of sympathy.

### HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

This week please pray for:

Mon., Mar. 20	Rev. Ilija Petkovic
Tues., Mar. 21	Rev. Msgr. Ivan Vuksic
Wed., Mar. 22	Legionaries of Christ (L.C.)
Thurs., Mar. 23	Very Rev. Cornelius O'Mahony
Fri., Mar. 24	Rev. Felix Nwatu
Sat., Mar. 25	Most Rev. Matthew Ustrzycki

### Lenten 1/2 Day of Reflection

Saturday, March 25, 2017



This morning of prayer will begin with Mass at 9:00 am and close with prayer at noon. It is a 1/2 day of prayer and reflection, open to all members of the Parish, and will be facilitated by Ruthann Fisher, Pastoral Associate for St. Francis of Assisi Parish. She has wide experience in Christian leadership and formation, and has been with St. Francis for 26 years. She is also a member of the Diocesan Parish Ministers Association of Hamilton. Ruthann's Lenten Retreat topic is: "The Word Became Flesh and Dwelt Among Us". The question to be deepened together is: How do we allow the Word of God to influence our life?

If you forget to bring your Bible, we will have extra copies available. Please sign up at the entrances of the Church.



### LENTEN SERIES

St. Joseph's Church will offer DVD series on "The Sacraments, Life of the Holy Spirit in the Church" on Thursday evenings of Lent Mar. 23, 30 from 7-8 pm in the rectory meeting room.



### CONFIRMATION

Tues., Mar. 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 pm

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross every Friday in Lent at 7 pm. This Friday, the Stations of the Cross will be led by the Ushers.



### FROM THE SCREENING COMMITTEE

To help us keep our files current and up to date, we request anyone who volunteers for any one of the 32 parish ministries to complete the blue Volunteer Information Form of Diocese of Hamilton. These forms can be picked up either from the parish office or in the church sacristy. Please have the completed form into the church office or sacristy by Thurs., Mar. 23<sup>rd</sup>. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- ✓ Mar. 19 – PPC Executive meeting, noon
- ✓ Mar. 20 - First Communion Parents' meeting, 7 pm in the Church Hall
- ✓ Mar. 23 – Social Committee meeting, 7 pm
- ✓ Mar. 24 – Legion of Mary - Curia, 7 pm
- ✓ Mar. 27 – PPC meeting, 7 pm



### JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP

Junior Youth Group will be meeting in the church hall on Sat., Mar. 25<sup>th</sup> from 2-4 pm.

### EASTER FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF LOVED ONES

If you would like to make an offering toward our Easter flowers in memory of a Loved One, please use the envelope provided in your Envelope Box (for March 26), or use one of our Special Envelopes you will find in the pews or on the tables at all the Church entrances, or use your own envelope. Intention Forms are in the envelopes and at the entrances. Write your name and the name(s) of those you wish to be remembered. Simply place the envelope in the collection basket. These names will be placed at the foot of the "Lenten Cross" and remembered at all Masses during Holy Week, on Easter Sunday and on all the Sundays of the Easter Season. Thank you.



### CURSILLO

If you are over 18 years of age, and are open to a closer relationship with God, consider this joy-filled Cursillo Weekend in the fall at St. Ignatian Deemerton Retreat Centre near Mildmay, Ont.

- Women's – Thurs., Oct. 12 to early Sunday evening 15, 2017
- Men's – Thurs., Oct. 26 to early Sunday evening 29, 2017

Transportation / info: [www.cursillohamilton.org](http://www.cursillohamilton.org) or call Marg Weber 519-747-5937.

### LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICES

- Tues., Mar. 21, St. Mark, 7:00 pm
- Wed., Mar. 22, St. Francis, 7:00 pm
- Thurs. Mar. 23, St. Anthony Daniel, 7:30 pm
- Wed., Mar. 29, St. Aloysius, 7:00 pm
- Sun. Apr. 2, St. Anne, 10 am – noon
- Mon., Apr. 3, St. Mary, 7:00 pm
- Wed., Apr. 5, St. Joseph, 7:00 pm**



**VOCATIONS OFFICE:** “But the one who drinks of the water that I will give will never be thirsty.” Do you thirst to know where God is leading you? Could you be thirsty for an understanding of your purpose? If you feel you are being invited to spread the Good News of God’s love as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton; 905-528-7988 or email: [mking@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mking@hamiltondiocese.com), or [www.hamiltonvocations.com](http://www.hamiltonvocations.com).

**Development and Peace Solidarity Quilt:** As part of D & P’s 50th anniversary celebration, a giant solidarity quilt is being created in dioceses all across Canada by our members and partners in the Global South. Each diocese is creating a square, and a pilgrimage will take the pieces across the country from west to east and east to west. The quilt will be assembled in the centre of the country. The pieces of the quilt will be on display at St. Jerome’s University, Notre Dame Chapel, on Thurs., Mar. 23rd. Mass will be at 7 pm followed by a reception. All are welcome to attend.

**WELCOME YOUR NEIGHBOUR:** Signs “No matter where you’re from, we’re glad you’re our neighbour” are one way that people of all different beliefs are giving a message of peace and welcome to newcomers to Canada. To order a sign for your house, contact Joan at the Mennonite Church of Eastern Canada at [jschooley@mcec.ca](mailto:jschooley@mcec.ca), 855-476-2500 x 700. The cost is \$10 (at cost).

**BECOME A WINNER** - The Catholic Community Foundation (CCF) conducts The Catholic Charities Lottery to help Catholic causes in our schools, parishes and community. Up to 1000 tickets are available at \$100 each! There are bi-weekly draws for \$1000 from May to September. And you can win more than once! Plus there are early bird draws. Go to [www.CCFOWR.org](http://www.CCFOWR.org) to find the ticket application or call the office at 519-747-5661 and talk to Julie.



**RETROUVAILLE** - This program offers help for those in troubled and painful marriages. For confidential info about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on March 24<sup>th</sup>, please call 905-664-5212 or email: [hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca](mailto:hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca) or visit: [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

**MARRIAGE TIP** - Observing Lent as a couple is an excellent way to deepen both your spiritual and marital bond. Talk about each of your Lenten resolutions and then assist each other to achieve it. Challenge each other to keep to your resolve, pray for each other on your 40 day journey, and take up activities as a couple that will deepen your faith. Take the three Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving into your relationship and journey the path together. Consider 40 acts of kindness toward each other for the 40 days of Lent. When you focus on achieving goals together, it strengthens your relationship bond as a couple and with God – a win-win Lenten season.

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### Mission Statement

St. Joseph Parish is a faith-based community - founded on Baptism, nurtured by prayer and centred on the Eucharist - that welcomes and serves all with compassion, united under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, while sharing our talents and growing as disciples of Jesus Christ.

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<u>Diocese of Hamilton</u>	<u><a href="http://www.hamiltondiocese.com">www.hamiltondiocese.com</a></u>
<u>Hamilton Diocese Vocations</u>	<u><a href="http://www.vocationinfo.ca">www.vocationinfo.ca</a></u>
<u>Catholic Funeral Rites</u>	<u><a href="http://www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca">www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca</a></u>

As the sufferings  
of Christ  
abound in us +  
so also through  
Christ.  
Does our  
comfort abound