

# ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

March 5, 2017 A.D.

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent



## MASSES THIS WEEK

<b>Mon., Mar. 6</b> 8:00 am	Intention of Elaine Ditner req. Ken & Shirley Barron
<b>Tues., Mar. 7</b> 7:00 pm	<i>Sts. Perpetua &amp; Felicity</i> Int. of Sarah Preiditsch req. Marlene & Erwin Preiditsch
<b>Wed., Mar. 8</b> 8:00 am	<i>St. John of God</i> † Agnes Goodfriend req. Tony & Anne Marie Gauvin
<b>Thurs., Mar. 9</b> 8:00 am	<i>St. Frances of Rome</i> Intention of Gloria Sousa req. Lisa Reitzel
<b>Fri., Mar. 10</b> 8:00 am	† Lucia Davita req. F & L Palcich
<b>7:00 pm</b> <b>Sat., Mar. 11</b> 9:00 am	<i>Stations of the Cross</i> Intention of Patrick Reitzel req. Lisa Reitzel
<b>5:00 pm</b>	† Angelo De Francesco req. Nina De Francesco
	† Manuel Lameira req. Fernanda Lameira
	† Jose de Sousa req. Wife
	† Dec'd members of the Hundt & Shantz Families req. Annette Shantz
<b>Sun., Mar. 12</b> 9:00 am	In Thanksgiving req. Lisa Reitzel Intention of Stephen Altman req. Family
	† Manuel & Maria Arruda req. Antonia Arruda
	† Andy Blake req. Pauline Blake & Family
<b>11:00 am</b> <b>1:30 pm</b>	Intention of Parishioners 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
Feb. 26, 2017 envelopes (90)	\$	2307.00
Feb. 26, 2017 loose change	\$	371.30

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. 6	Rev. Steven Murrin
Tues., Mar. 7	Rev. Jozo Grubisic, O.F.M.
Wed., Mar. 8	Sisters Adorers of the Precious Blood (R.P.B.)
Thurs., Mar. 9	Rev. Marko Puljic, O.F.M.
Fri., Mar. 10	Rev. Jason Kuntz
Sat., Mar. 11	Rev. Steven Costello, L.C.

## 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. 9, 16, 23, 30 from 7-8 pm in the rectory meeting room.



## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Reconciliation – Mon., Mar. 6<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm in the Church

First Communion Parents' Meeting – Mon., Mar. 20<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm in the Church Hall

## 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 Legion of Mary.



## 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 co-operation is greatly appreciated.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- ✓ Mar. 23 – Social Committee meeting, 7 pm
- ✓ Mar. 21 - Confirmation, 7 pm
- ✓ Mar. 27 – PPC meeting, 7 pm

## YOUTH GROUP



Youth Group will be meeting in the church hall on Sun., Mar. 12<sup>th</sup> from 5-8 pm. All youth from grades 6-12 are welcome.

## NOVENA TO ST. JOSEPH

The Sisters of the Carmel of St. Joseph will pray for you during the Novena to St. Joseph, March 11 - 19. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to Carmel of St. Joseph, 1127 Carmel-Koch Rd., R.R. #1, St. Agatha ON N0B 2L0.



## CURSILLO

A Cursillo Weekend attempts to create an environment where Christians can encounter Christ in a personal way. 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. The October Cursillo Weekend takes place at the peaceful 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 or Fr. Ray Reitzel 519-725-1445.

## 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:** Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the life-commitment God has prepared for you? 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).

**CAN YOU NOT WATCH ONE HOUR WITH ME?** Divine Mercy Chapel of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Teresa Church, Kitchener. Eucharistic Adoration from 9 am to 9 pm, Mon. to Fri. Choose an hour – bring a friend. For further information please contact Rosemary 519-743-5656 or Herb 519-893-4793.

**LENTEN RETREAT** –St. Francis Church, Kitchener, Wed., Mar. 8<sup>th</sup>. The retreat will begin with the Stations of the Cross at 7 pm. Please bring your bible.

**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 CCF office at 519-747-5661 and talk to Julie Hause.



**RETRouvaille** - This program offers those in troubled and painful marriages the chance to rediscover themselves, their spouse and a loving relationship in their marriage. 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).



**ST. AGATHA PARISH CWL ST. PATRICK'S DAY CARD PARTY:** Come out and bring few friends! Admission: \$10/person includes beef stew, rolls, beverage & dessert squares. Sun., Mar. 12<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm. Cash Draw & Raffle Draws during Luncheon at 4:30 pm. More info email: [stagathacwl@gmail.com](mailto:stagathacwl@gmail.com).

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