

# ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

Dec. 10, 2017 A.D.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent



### MASSES THIS WEEK

- Mon., Dec. 11** *St. Damasus I*  
8:00 am † Marie Kelly  
req. Sharon Kraemer
- Tues., Dec. 12** *Our Lady of Guadalupe*  
7:00 pm Int. of Brian & Debbie Barrett  
req. William & Odessa Barrett
- Wed., Dec. 13** *St. Lucy*  
8:00 am Priest's Intention
- Thurs., Dec. 14** *St. John of the Cross*  
8:00 am † Mary Hayes  
req. Pat & Lillian Hayes
- Fri., Dec. 15**  
8:00 am Priest's Intention
- Sat., Dec. 16**  
9:00 am Int. of Susan Hellebrandt  
req. Sandra Eidt
- 5:00 pm † Jose de Sousa  
req. Alda de Sousa  
† Konrad Braun  
req. Brigitta Bierhals  
† Dec'd members of the  
Hundt & Shantz Families  
req. Annette Shantz  
† Souls in Purgatory  
req. Fernanda Lameira
- Sun., Dec. 17**  
9:00 am Intention of Parishioners  
11:00 am † Maria Julia da Silva  
req. Edita & Family  
† Maria Eduarda Teixeira  
† Christian Teixeira  
req. Family  
† Lourdes Amorim  
req. Family  
† Dec'd members of the  
Eyinga Family  
req. Therese Eyono
- 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
Dec. 3, 2017 envelopes (103)	\$	2627.50
Dec. 3, 2017 loose change	\$	417.40
Building Fund	\$	1883.15

**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., Dec. 11	Rev. Malcolm Katzenberger
Tues., Dec. 12	Rev. Arthur Scidmore
Wed., Dec. 13	Carmelites of Mary Immaculate
Thurs., Dec. 14	Rev. Gary Schlack
Fri., Dec. 15	Rev. Mervin Pereira
Sat., Dec. 16	Rev. Thomas Manninezhath



### QUILT DRAW

**Last chance to purchase quilt tickets will be at Christmas Around The World on Sat., Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> before the draw is held that night!** There are some tickets available at the Rectory Office. \$2.00 each OR 3/\$5.00 with proceeds going toward Snow Removal Equipment. The quilt is a full King size (approx. 100" x 100") hand cross-stitched and quilted "Star of David" pattern. If you are unable to attend on Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> and want tickets before that, please call Cathy at 519-578-0785 to make other arrangements.

### CHURCH PEWS

There are still 3 pews 10'6" long x 33" high x 21" deep available to purchase. Best offer –

first come, first served. You must make your own arrangements for pickup. Call Cathy at 519-578-0785 for details.



### CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL HEART ORNAMENTS

Anyone wishing to remember deceased loved ones this Christmas in a special way may do so by making a donation for altar flowers. Please enclose your donation and the name of your loved ones in the envelope in your Church envelope package marked "flower donation" or in a plain envelope marked "flower donation". Write your name and address on it, and place it in the collection basket. A memorial heart ornament with your loved one's names will be placed on the trees at the side altars. These beautiful hearts are yours to take home after your Christmas Mass.



### POTLUCK DINNER

Join us for our annual Christmas Around the World Potluck Dinner on Sat., Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> after the 5 pm Mass. Bring a festive dish from your culture or heritage and join us for a fun evening, including a play put on by our Youth Group! Please label your dish so we can know what we are enjoying. Sign-up sheets are available at the doors of the Church. If you would like to donate a door prize, please contact a member of the Social Committee, or please e-mail us at socialcmty@stjosephkitchener.org.

### SUNDAY MISSALS 2017/2018

are available at the entrances of the Church for \$4.

### CHRISTMAS CAKES



After all Masses this weekend we will have Christmas Cakes available for sale in support of Campaign Life Coalition.

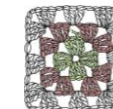
### 39<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL ADVENT NOVENA



Daily Masses at 6:30 am at St. Agnes Church, Waterloo to Sat., Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>. For more information please call Marg Weber 519-747-5937 or email: marg.weber@sympatico.ca.

### CROCHETED BLANKETS

Would the person who dropped off in the church office 6 beautifully crocheted blankets, please kindly contact the office 519-745-9302.



### NO CHEWING GUM



Please NO chewing gum in the Church or Church Hall.

### Christmas & New Year's Mass Schedule

- Sun., Dec. 24 9:00 am and 11:00 am  
*Christmas Eve*
- Sun., Dec. 24 Family Mass 5:00 pm  
*The Nativity of the Lord*
- Christmas Midnight Mass 10:00 pm  
Mon., Dec. 25 9:00 am and 11:00 am
- Sun., Dec. 31 9:00 am & 11 am  
*Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God*
- Sun., Dec. 31 5:00 pm  
Mon., Jan. 1 9:00 and 11:00 am

**VOCATIONS OFFICE:** “The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.” Could God be calling you to priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life, 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).

### **ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICES**

Mon., Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>, St. Mary Church, Kitchener, 7:00 pm;  
Tues., Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>, St. Francis Church, Kitchener, 1:00 pm;  
**Wed., Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>, St. Joseph Church, Kitchener, 7:00 pm;**  
St. Aloysius Church, Kitchener, 7:00 pm;  
Thurs., Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>, St. Mark Church, Kitchener, 7:00 pm;  
Mon., Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>, St. Anne Church, Kitchener, 7:00 pm;  
Tues., Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>, St. Teresa of Avila Church, Elmira, 7:00 pm;  
Blessed Sacrament Church, Kitchener, 7:00 pm

**COPING WITH THE HOLIDAYS...WHEN YOU HAVE LOST A LOVED ONE:** Join us for an evening of reflection and strategies for coping at Christmas, facilitated by Dr. Wendy Hofman. St. Mary ‘s Church, 16 Cooper St., Cambridge, Mon., Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 – 8:30 pm. The event is FREE of charge. Please call to reserve a seat 519-658-4443. If you haven’t registered you are free to attend.

**CARMELITE NOVENA TO INFANT JESUS:** The Sisters of the Carmel of St. Joseph will pray for you during the Novena to Infant Jesus, Dec. 16-25. You can participate in the Novena. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to: Carmel of St. Joseph, 1127 Carmel-Koch Rd., RR #1, St. Agatha ON N0B 2L0.

**“KEYS TO LOVING RELATIONSHIPS”:** “Keys” is a nine 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 Tuesday evenings from 7 pm to 9 pm starting Sat., Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> at St. Mark’s Parish, Kitchener. The cost is \$45.00. For more information, please call the Family Ministry Office 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

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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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