



27th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 7-8, 2023

Mass Intentions October 9 – 15, 2023

Prayer Calendar

St. Anne		St. Joseph	Diocese of Hamilton
Monday	No Mass	8:00 am Int of Max Domingues – Julia Domingues	Rev. Timothy Higgins
Tuesday	7:00 pm followed by Adoration Int of Rosemary & Ed Lukezic – W Sibley	7:00 pm followed by Adoration † Souls in Purgatory most in need – Jesus Youth Movement	Rev. Christopher Tracey
Wednesday	8:00 am Int of those living with cancer - friend	No Mass	Chaplains
Thursday	8:00 am Int of Parishioners	8:00 am Int of Jaimary Abraham – Jaimary Abraham Int of Parishioners	Rev. Brendan McGrath
Friday	8:00 am Int of Parishioners	8:00 am Int of Antonyos Berhane & Eritrean Community – Tony Finoro Int of Parishioners	Rev. Jason Kuntz
Saturday	4:00 pm † Alex Erdman - Janet	5:00 pm † Jose de Sousa – Alda de Sousa † Angelo De Francesco – Annina De Francesco & family † Maria Odete Tinoco – Friends of St Joseph Place	Rev. Grayson Hope
Sunday	9:30 am † Francisco Pacheco – Judite Pacheco Thanksgiving Int of John & Mary - family	11:00 am † Maria dos Anjos Sousa – Gloria Melo & Carma Viera † Manuel Lameira – Fernanda Lameira † Ildebrando Silveira – Maria Silveira † Julia Guimaraes – Ceu Machado	

This Week's Liturgical Readings

PARISH INFORMATION

Confession: 6:30pm on Tuesdays before Mass & during Adoration.

Adoration: 7:30pm on Tuesdays after Mass.

Church Offering Report: once a month, in bulletin. Offertory envelopes can be dropped off in the parish mailbox. Please call the office to pick up your Church envelopes.

Pre-Authorized Giving: next withdrawal – October 15th

DIOCESAN VOCATION CORNER

Listen for the voice of God. Are you being called to be a priest, deacon, religious, or consecrated virgin? If God is calling you, Contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Website: hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

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- 1) Isaiah 5:1-7
- 2) Philippians 4:6-9
- 3) Matthew 21:33-43

FOCUS: If we remain in Christ, we will bear fruit.

Both the first reading and the Gospel describe the people of Israel as a vineyard. God has given them everything they need, sending prophets and even His own Son. Yet the vines have yielded wild grapes, and the prophets and the Son have been killed. The kingdom of God will be taken away from those who reject Christ and given instead to believers in Christ, who will produce its fruit.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Isaiah sings of the vineyard that yielded wild grapes. Paul writes to the Philippians that they will have peace from God if they make their requests known to Him and think about things that are worthy of praise. Jesus tells a parable about a vineyard whose tenants killed the landowners' servants and son. He tells the chief priests and elders that the kingdom of God will be taken from them and given to a people that will produce its fruit.

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OCTOBER IS DEDICATED TO THE HOLY ROSARY



The feast day of **Our Lady of the Rosary** is on **Saturday, October 7**. This month is a good time to commit to praying the Rosary each day. It will bring great peace to your life. Pope Francis invites all Catholics to pray the Rosary and implore peace in Ukraine and in all war-torn regions and also for the Synod of Bishops on Synodality. The Rosary group at St Anne's Church meets every Tuesday to pray the Rosary, at 1:00 pm. All are invited to come and pray the Rosary in the Church.

ST ANNE & ST JOSEPH: SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Families with children who are planning on receiving Sacraments are reminded of the following dates.

First Eucharist (Grade 2 and up): Reconciliation Session

- Sunday November 5, 6 pm at St Joseph
- Wednesday November 8, 6 pm at St Anne

Confirmation (Grade 7 and up): Information Session

- Sunday October 29, 7 pm at St Joseph
- Wednesday November 1, 7 pm at St Anne.

ST MARY'S/ST ANNE'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE



Greetings and blessings dear ladies! We invite you to join us on **Sunday October 15**, following St. Mary's 11am Mass! Please join us as we "start up" our regular monthly meetings. We are excited to welcome two Diocesan

Executive members, Mary Clark and Joanne Gregson, who will be presenting and speaking on their new "Unity Outreach" project. Looking forward to seeing you and sharing with each of you Fellowship, Friendship and Prayer! See you on the 15th!

ST ANNE: COFFEE SUNDAY

Coffee Sunday at St Anne Church will be on **Sunday, October 15** (next weekend). We look forward to seeing you there.

RCIA PROGRAM

If you or someone you know wishes to become a Catholic or to explore the Catholic faith and possibly join the Church, the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is the program for you. It will start in October. Please call the Office for more information.

ST ANNE: CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

We are looking for volunteers to help lead our Children's Liturgy of the Word. During Mass, children from Jk-grade 2 are invited downstairs to hear & discuss scripture, pray, & share their faith. We need teens & adults who can help our little ones as they experience the Liturgy. A guide is provided each week, & leaders will be scheduled approximately once per month. If you are interested in this ministry, or have any questions, please speak with Mary Forcier or Father Brian.



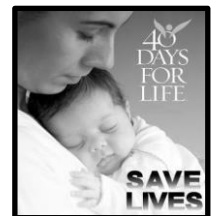
ST ANNE & ST JOSEPH THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Thanksgiving is this weekend, and marks a time when people are often interested in giving back to their community. Here's how you can get involved:

- At St Anne we encourage monetary support to our St Vincent de Paul Society. It is so gratefully appreciated and allows us to supply food vouchers to those in need in our community. Cheques can be made out to: "Society of St Vincent de Paul – St Anne"
- At St Joseph we will be accepting non-perishable food donations at the doors of the church for all Masses up until Thanksgiving Sunday. Food donations will be taken by the Society of St Vincent de Paul to the Food Bank. You can also donate directly to our parish's SSVP monetarily through the donation boxes at front and side entrances to the Church or by email through ssvp@stjosephkitchener.org.
- You can also donate non-perishable goods directly to the Food Bank of Waterloo Region, which can be dropped off at 50 Alpine Court in Kitchener.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: PRAY TO END ABORTION

From September 27 to November 5, we invite you to join to get involved in Prayer & Fasting for an end to abortion, as well as attending a Peaceful Vigil outside of Freeport Hospital, for an allocated hour between 7:00 am-7:00 pm, seven days a week. You can either sign up for prayer hours online at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener or by emailing Ewelina at 40DaysKW@gmail.com. Thank you and God bless!



HOSPICE OF WATERLOO REGION: WORKSHOP

Hospice of Waterloo Region will be having an information workshop on death, dying and grief, entitled **"Dying to Know"**, on **Saturday, October 14**. Last year's presentation was very well received and is back by popular demand. Key members of the palliative care community will be exploring practical information about death, dying and grief, including key-note speaker, author Dr. Blair Bringham, who wrote "Death Interrupted". Please see the bulletin boards at the Church entrances for more information. Registration and information at: www.dyingtoknow.ca.



ST ANNE – LETTERS FROM OUR SPONSORED CHILDREN



We would like to share a letter with you from a young person living in Paraguay. Please know

that sponsorship gives children the support needed to overcome obstacles so they can attend and stay in school and allows families to provide nutritious food and better care for their children. Each child we support receives a monetary stipend at Christmas and their birthday, of \$50.

Diego Lizandro Fabian Ortiz Arrua is 11 years old, and he lives in Paraguay. He lives in a temporary shelter with his mother who has lost her job. He enjoys playing soccer. He writes:

"Dear St. Anne Parish,

It is with joy and gratitude that I am writing this letter to greet you and ask how you are doing. I want to tell you that I am doing well in school. I am taking exams and I am trying very hard to get good grades. I am very happy for the birthday present you sent me. Thanks to that I was able to buy a sport shoe and a ball to play with. May God and the Virgin take care of you and your loved ones. With much affection, Diego Ortiz."

For more information on Chalice, please visit: www.chalice.ca.

CARMELITE SISTERS IN ST AGATHA INVITATION

On **Monday, October 23** at 5:00 pm there will be a Mass in support of the Carmelite Sisters in St Agatha at Holy Family Croation Catholic Church (180 Schweitzer Street, Kitchener) followed by a reception and dinner in the hall. Presider is Bishop Wayne Lobsinger. The minimum donation of \$250 is for two people. Please RSVP by October 10 to Jane Malleck: 519-503-1343 or cjmalleck@gmail.com.

DIOCESE: UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

All Liturgical Ministers are encouraged to attend the following workshops. The **Ministers of the Word Formation Workshop** is next weekend on Saturday, October 14, 9:30 am - 3:00 pm at St Michael Parish in Waterloo. The **Extraordinary Ministers of Communion Formation Workshop** is on Saturday, October 21, 9:30 am - 3:00 pm at St Anthony Daniel Parish in Kitchener. Visit the Diocese website to register: www.hamiltondiocese.com.

ST MICHAEL CHURCH: MEN'S DISCERNMENT GROUP

If you would like to explore the possibility of becoming a Catholic priest, please join Father Mark Morley, and other men who are discerning their vocation, by attending the diocesan Men's Discernment Group. The first meeting for the Fall will be held on **Friday, October 20** at 7:00 pm at St. Michael Church, 80 University Ave W, Waterloo. We will gather in the hall. Please use the side doors at the front of the church. If you would like to attend, or have any questions, please contact me: [<http://>]<https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

FROM THE DIOCESE: GRIEF SUPPORT IN WATERLOO

Has someone you cared about died? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? Are you wondering if your feelings are normal? You are not alone! The Diocese of Hamilton has grief programs to help. There is a six-week program beginning October 25, that will cover the theory behind grief, with time to share and socialize. There is also an informal monthly grief support group, which meets on the 2nd Wednesday of every month, starting October 11. Find out more at St Michael church, email: parish@stmichaelw.ca or call 519-884-9311 or see the bulletin boards at the Church entrances.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: INVITATION



Virtual meeting on **Tuesday, October 24**, 7:00 - 8:30 pm. Come and learn about this year's Fall Action campaign **Stand for the Land**. Since January 2023, three land defenders from the Guapinol region in Honduras have been murdered for defending their land from mining companies, adding to the 135 land defenders murdered since 2014. Visit www.devp.org to register for this ZOOM event.

Happy
Thanksgiving