

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

Feb 25, 2018 A.D.

2nd Sunday in Lent



MASSES THIS WEEK

Mon., Feb. 26	
8:00 am	† Souls in Purgatory req. Lucinda Rodrigues
Tues., Feb. 27	
7:00 pm	† Azo'o Albert req. Therese Eyono
Wed., Feb. 28	
8:00 am	† Maria Jose Ledo req. Eugenio Ledo & Family
Thurs., Mar. 1	
8:00 am	Int. of Lucinda Rodrigues req. Lucinda Rodrigues
Fri., Mar. 2	
8:00 am	In Praise & Thanksgiving req. Elaine Ditner
2:00 pm	Mass at Millwood Manor
Sat., Mar. 3	
9:00 am	† Floyd & Pearl Merkley req. Estate
5:00 pm	† Ildebrando Silveira req. Maria Silveira
	† Dec'd members of the Hundt & Shantz Families req. Annette Shantz
	† Carlos Lobo req. Friends
	† Manuel Lameira req. Fernanda Lameira
Sun., Mar. 4	
9:00 am	<i>St. Casimir</i> Intention of Parishioners
11:00 am	† Lino Soares req. Margarida Soares
	† Erin Eidt req. Maria Rosa Issler
	† Americo Da Silva req. Pat & Lillian Hayes
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
Feb. 18, 2018 envelopes (121)	\$	3175.00
Feb. 18, 2018 loose change	\$	391.35
Seminary Education Collection	\$	152.00
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., Feb. 26	Rev. Pierre Caouette, L.C.
Tues., Feb. 27	Rev. Thomas Murphy, L.C.
Wed., Feb. 28	Soeurs du Sacre-Coeur de Jesus
Thurs., Mar. 1	Rev. Tod Arsenault, L.C.
Fri., Mar. 2	Rev. Fernando Ferreira Pinto
Sat., Mar. 3	Very Rev. Wojciech Kuzma

INTENTIONS FOR SANCTUARY LAMP

Week of Feb. 26, 2018:

Main Church –
Chapel –
Requests accepted by placing an envelope with the intention and a donation of \$10 in the collection basket.



ST. PATRICK'S DAY DANCE

Join us on Sat., March 17th from 7 pm to 11 pm in the Parish Hall for a St. Patrick's Day Dance, with music provided by DJ Danny Rocha. There will be a cash bar, a light "lunch", and lots of fun. All proceeds will go towards St. Joseph's Energy Conservation retrofit project – wear some green to support us going green! Tickets will be available after

all Masses from today to Sat., March 10th. Tickets are \$10 in advance, or \$15 at the door; tickets are available only to those 19+.

Mark Your Calendar

- ✓ CWL general meeting – Tues., Feb. 27, after 7 pm Mass
- ✓ Stations of the Cross – Fri., Mar. 2, 7 pm – Youth Group
- ✓ First Reconciliation Retreat – Sun., Mar. 3, 10 am – 12:30 pm
- ✓ Confirmation Retreat + PotLuck – Sat., Mar. 3 after 5 pm Mass
- ✓ Coffee Sunday – Mar. 4 after 9 & 11 am Masses
- ✓ Youth Group meeting – Sun., Mar. 4, 5-8 pm in the church hall
- ✓ First Reconciliation – Mar. 5, 7 pm
- ✓ Lenten Retreat sponsored by CWL, Sat., Mar. 10th from 1-5 pm, closing with Mass



SPRING VENDOR SALE

We have a few vendors for our sale on April 14th but need more to make it happen! Parishioners are given first preference on booking tables until Mon., Feb. 26th then we are opening registration up. We need a variety of crafters, artists, home businesses, etc. If you are interested in being a vendor, please call Cathy at 519-578-0785 for details.

JOIN THE "CALL FOR CONSCIENCE"

The Government of Canada passed legislation in June 2016, legalizing euthanasia/assisted suicide. Despite wording in the legislation intended to protect doctors and facilities, the College of Physicians and

Surgeons of Ontario is forcing health care workers to participate in ending the lives of their patients. No other country or province in Canada does this. Ontario. The Hamilton Diocese wants to protect the rights of all healthcare workers. Please visit www.CanadiansforConscience.ca to learn more, write a letter (samples available at the entrances of the Church) to your Provincial Member of Parliament and consider adding your e-mail address to the Conscience Coalitions network to receive future information. We all need to join the "Call for Conscience" taking place until March 31st.

REMINDER

If you had hearts made for the Memory Trees at Christmas and didn't take them, they are in the Sacristy for you to pick up.



LENTEN RETREAT

Sat., Mar. 3rd from 10 am - 1 pm, St. Anne's Parish, Kitchener. Led by Fr. Toby Collins, CR.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICES

Fri., Mar. 2nd, Kitchener, the theme: "All God's Creation is Very Good." Refreshments follow all the services. St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 59 Queen St., N. at 11 am and St. John's Catholic Church, 85 Strange St. at 2 pm.

LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICES

Wed., Feb. 28, 7 pm, Blessed Sacrament
Mon., Mar. 5, 7:30 pm, St. Louis, Wloo
Tues., Mar. 6, 7 pm, St. Francis, Kitch.
Wed., Mar. 7, 7:30 pm, St. Michael, Wloo
Thurs., Mar. 8, 7:30 pm, Our Lady of Lourdes
Tues., Mar. 13, 7 pm, St. Aloysius, Kitch.
Wed., Mar. 14, 7 pm, St. Joseph

VOCATIONS OFFICE: If you need examples of persons responding to God’s call, look at Abraham and Sarah – called in old age to leave their country and have a child. Then Abraham was asked to sacrifice that child. What faith! Answering God’s call to a Church vocation is also taking a great risk. If you are willing, and think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton; 905-528-7988 or email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, or www.hamiltonvocations.com. Please check the website for the new issue of the “Reflections”.

CURSILLO WEEKEND: Are you seeking Happiness, Peace, Joy, Friendship, Human and Spiritual Development and wish to become the person Jesus wants you to be? A three-day Cursillo weekend (for people 19 years old and +) is designed to help you on that journey. Beginning on Thursday night and ending Sunday afternoon. The Cursillo Weekend is Catholic and approved by the Diocese of Hamilton. Please consider a Cursillo weekend:

- Men’s is Thurs. evening April 12 to Sunday April 15
- Women’s is Thurs. evening April 26 to Sunday April 29

For more info, Google: cursillohamilton.org or hamiltondiocese.com (programs and workshops), or contact Marg Weber marg.weber@sympatico.ca, (519) 747-5937, or Fr. Ray Reitzel, CR rayreitzelcr@live.com, (519) 725-1445.

LECTURES IN CATHOLIC EXPERIENCE AT ST. JEROME’S UNIVERSITY in the Vanstone Lecture Hall (SJ2), Fri., Mar. 2nd, famous indigenous architect, Douglas Cardinal, who designed the National Museum of Civilization in Gatineau, Quebec, well be the speaker. His topic: *Organic Architecture and The Indigenous Worldview*. The event begins at 7:30 pm. Not to be missed!

26th Annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally: Be inspired, encouraged and healed at the largest single day Catholic event in Canada. The theme of this year’s rally is “Fire on the Earth”. Sat., Mar. 3rd, 9 am – 5:30 pm, Metro Toronto Convention Centre. Tickets \$25/adults and \$15/youth: 416-251-4255, 905-270-2510 or www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca. There is a bus to the event. The bus leaves the parking lot of St. Mark’s Catholic Church, Kitchener at 6:50 am. Bus tickets are \$15/person (includes snacks and driver gratuity); please call Anna 519-577-8519.

ST. PATRICK’S DAY CARD PARTY: Sun., Mar. 11th at 2 pm, St. Agatha Parish, St. Agatha. Door Prizes, Draws and a Delicious Beef Stew Luncheon. Cost: \$10/person. Luncheon - 4:30 pm.

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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