

# ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

Dec. 9, 2018 A.D.

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



### THIS WEEK MASSES

<b>Mon., Dec. 10</b>	
<b>8:00 am</b>	Intention of Brian Levacic req. Maureen & Rudy Levacic
<b>Tues., Dec. 11</b>	<i>St. Damasus I</i>
<b>7:00 pm</b>	† Florence Farwell req. Annette Farwell † Souls in Purgatory req. Lucinda Rodrigues
<b>Wed., Dec. 12</b>	<i>Our Lady of Guadalupe</i>
<b>8:00 am</b>	Intention of Shannon & Mei Levacic req. Maureen & Rudy Levacic
<b>Thurs., Dec. 13</b>	<i>St. Lucy</i>
<b>8:00 am</b>	† Maida Gioacchino req. Gioacchino Family
<b>Fri., Dec. 14</b>	<i>St. John of the Cross</i>
<b>8:00 am</b>	† Donna & Vera McGlynn req. Zennie Sunga
<b>Sat., Dec. 15</b>	
<b>9:00 am</b>	Intention of Maureen & Rudy Levacic req. Family
<b>5:00 pm</b>	Intention of Ruth Ann & Bert Dietrich req. Brian Murphy Intention of Elaine Ditner req. Julia Domingues † Joe Camara req. Family & Friends † Maria Capa req. Rosa Rodrigues † Souls in Purgatory req. Fernanda Lameira
<b>Sun., Dec. 16</b>	
<b>10:00 am</b>	† Christian Teixeira † Maria Eduarda Teixeira req. Family † Lourdes Amorim req. Antonio Amorim
<b>1:30 pm</b>	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. 2, 2018 envelopes (102)	\$	3373.50
Dec. 2, 2018 loose change	\$	214.05
Building Fund	\$	2830.25
Thank you for your generous support!		
Parish Bequests: Keep your love for your parish alive!		
Please Remember St. Joseph's in your Will and <u>when</u> recommending expressions of sympathy.		

### HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

This week please pray for:

Mon., Dec. 10	Rev. Lech Wycichowski, C.R.
Tues., Dec. 11	Rev. Stanley Zaryczny, C.R.
Wed., Dec. 12	Carmelites of Mary Immaculate
Thurs., Dec. 13	Rev. Brendan McGrath
Fri., Dec. 14	Rev. Miro Grubisic, O.F.M.
Sat., Dec. 15	Rev. David Perrin

### INTENTIONS FOR SANCTUARY LAMP

Week of Dec. 10, 2018:  
Main Church – Tony Finoro  
Chapel –  
Requests accepted by placing an envelope with the intention and a donation of \$10 in the collection basket.

### CWL NEWS

A reminder to all ladies 16 and older that we are currently collecting our membership dues (\$25.00). We have had an increase for 2019 membership year. This is a wonderful time to join the CWL if you are not already a member.

### SUNDAY MISSALS 2018/2019

Available at the doors of the Church for \$5.

## Mark Your Calendar

- Youth Group – Dec. 15, 3-5 pm, hall, rehearsing on stage for play at potluck
- Birthday Party for Jesus – Dec. 21, 5-7 pm, hall

### 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 any envelope marked "flower donation". Write your name, address, phone number and your envelope # on it, and place it in the collection basket. Donations (by cheque - payable to St. Joseph Church) are receipted for tax purposes. 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 the Christmas Mass.

### CHRISTMAS POTLUCK



Join us for our annual Christmas Around the World Potluck Dinner on Sat., Dec. 15<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 email socialcmty@stjosephkitchener.org.



### BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR JESUS

All children of our parish, aged 4-11 years old, are invited to a birthday party for Jesus. The party will be held on Fri., Dec.

21<sup>st</sup> from 5-7 pm in the church hall. Pizza will be provided. Please see the poster at the side entrance of the church, for more info, and registration forms. The registration deadline is Sun., Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, please call Lisa at 519-749-2579.

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

An invitation to prepare well for Christmas: Nine daily Masses at 6:30 am, St. Agnes Church, Waterloo, Fri., Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> to Sat., Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>. There will be breakfast in the Parish Centre following Mass on Sat., Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>. A free will offering will be taken for SVDP Christmas Hampers. Everyone is welcome! Coffee and fellowship following each Mass. Sun., Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> you are invited to attend your own church.



### ADVENT RECONCILIATION



Tues., Dec. 11, St. Anne's Church, 7 pm

Wed., Dec. 12, St. Aloysius Church, 7 pm

Wed., Dec. 12, St. Mary's Church, 7 pm

Thurs., Dec. 13, St. Mark's Church, 7 pm

**Wed., Dec. 19, St. Joseph's Church, 7 pm**

## Christmas & New Year's Mass Schedule

### The Nativity of the Lord

#### Christmas Eve

Mon., Dec. 24	Family Mass	6:00 pm
Mon., Dec. 24		10:00 pm

#### Christmas Day

Tues., Dec. 25		10:00 am
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#### Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Mon., Dec. 31		6:00 pm
Tues., Jan. 1		10:00 am



**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN:** *The Diocese of Hamilton is conducting the One Heart, One Soul Campaign to raise money for every Parish in the Diocese and for shared ministries. A compilation of all questions that have been published are available throughout the campaign at [oneheartonesoul.ca](http://oneheartonesoul.ca).*

**What kinds of things does the Diocese do for Parishes and others already?**

*The good work of the Diocese of Hamilton is widespread. Here are a few examples of the ways diocesan offices enhance the life of our Parishes and people:*

- *Advocating for the dignity of all life and supporting and promoting marriage and family life.*
- *Encouraging vocational discernment to priesthood and religious life.*
- *Programming and support for youth and young adult ministry.*
- *Adult faith formation, catechesis, religious education and sacramental preparation.*
- *Assistance in the relocation and resettlement of refugees.*
- *Advocacy on behalf of the poor and marginalized.*
- *Assistance for Parishes in all aspects of sacred worship, including formation for liturgical ministers.*
- *Support for Parishes in the areas of human resources, building maintenance, financial reporting, stewardship, charitable giving and Parish development.*

***Does the Diocese help organizations outside of it?***

*Yes, the Diocese is generous to many in need. For example, the Diocese has an ongoing financial commitment to help the Archdiocese of Port-au-Prince, Haiti, which is still suffering from the effects of the devastating earthquake there in 2010, and the Diocese of Churchill-Hudson Bay, which includes northern Manitoba and the territory of Nunavut. The Diocese also supports many worthy causes within and outside of the Diocese, such as: organizations who support the poor and marginalized, like St. Vincent de Paul, the Good Shepherd and several others; health care initiatives, including hospice care and conscience protection for those in the medical field; community organizations such as the Catholic Youth Organization, Catholic Family Services and Catholic Children's Aid; and several other organizations and causes in need who do the work of the gospel. Additionally, the Diocese is proud to have made a significant gift to St. Peter's Seminary in London, helping to ensure the seminary can continue its mission to form priests for our Diocese and the Church in Canada.*

***Why a significant gift to a seminary in another Diocese?***

*There is a longstanding and fruitful connection between St. Peter's Seminary in London and the Diocese of Hamilton. For more than a hundred years, St. Peter's has trained a majority of our diocesan Priests – and those of so many Canadian dioceses. Of the current Hamilton seminarians, the majority are at St. Peter's, which is one of only three English-speaking seminaries in Canada. Hamilton Priests have also served on the seminary's staff. The seminary is in need – these funds were required for St. Peter's to continue its mission of forming Priests, deacons and lay ministers – and its vitality is important to the long-term outlook for vocations in Hamilton.*

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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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[Loyalty Funding Program](#)

[www.loyaltyfunding.ca/stjoseph](http://www.loyaltyfunding.ca/stjoseph)