



St Joseph Church

Third Sunday of Lent March 20 - 27, 2022



	Mass Intentions March 21– March 27, 2022		Prayer Calendar
	St. Anne	St. Joseph	Diocese of Hamilton
Monday 8:00 am	No Mass	Sp Int Emilia Jackson & family - Johnny + Marie Rita Essogo - Estelle	Rev. Mark Morley
Tuesday 7:00 pm	+ Harvey Carrière – Friend Mass of Thanksgiving - Friend	+ Raymond Butler – a friend	Rev. Paul Vellimoozhayil
Wednesday 8:00 am	+ Ed Dixon – Tom, Elizabeth and Angel Marie	No Mass	Franciscan Fathers (O.F.M.)
Thursday 8:00 am	+ John Currie – Henry & LeeAnn Walser	+ Maria Petz – Darlene Clausing Sp Int Melissa & Family - Johnny	Rev. James McSharry
Friday	7:00 pm Stations of the Cross 7:30 pm + Deceased members Martin family	8:00 am + Nithika Benny - Johnny 7:00pm Stations of the Cross	Most Rev. Matthew Ustrzycki
Saturday St. Anne 4 pm St.Joseph 5 pm	Sp Int Hugo Tamayo – J & S Andrade + Marjorie & Ken Young – Family	+Souls in Purgatory – Fernanda Lameira +Frank Macario – Zennie & family +Odessa Barrett - Choir +Harry & Elvira Loreto – B & S Antonello	Rev. Ireneusz Koziak, S.A.C.
Sunday St. Anne 9:30 am St. Joseph 11 am	For The Parishioners	 + Orlanda Amorim – Carlos Amorim + Jose Almazan – Zennie & family + Ildebrando Silveira - Maria 	

SUNDAY MASS

Our Churches are open, and we follow public health measures of masking and social distancing. Our weekend and weekday Masses are celebrated at the usual times.

Church Offering Report: once a month. 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 – April 15th* More information is available on our websites.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Effective January 3rd, 2022, the Parish Office will be open: ST ANNE: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 8:30 am to 12 noon ST JOSEPH: Tuesday to Friday from 12:30 to 4pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Please join us every Friday during Lent for Stations of the Cross, at 7:00 pm. **SPECIAL note** – During Lent at St. Anne, Friday Mass will be at 7:30 pm, after Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm.

This Week's Liturgical Readings

MARCH 20, 2022 - 3rd SUNDAY OF LENT

- 1) Exodus 3:1-8a, 13 5
- 2) 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12
- 3) Luke 13:1-9

FOCUS: God offers everyone salvation freedom; it is an offer we are free to accept or reject

Today's readings remind us that salvation and eternal life with God require our repentance from sin and turning away from old ways to embrace a new live with Him. He invites to participate in His mission and bear fruit for the kingdom. The offer, however, remains ours to accept or reject.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

In today's reading, Moses encounters God in the burning bush. God reveals to Moses His plan to free the Israelites. Saint Paul writes that not all who were freed from bondage in Egypt remained faithful, warning them to *take care not to fall*. In the Gospel, Jesus warns the people that failure to repent will result in their perishing, and then He tells a parable of a fig tree.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

Week 3: March 20

The power of mobilized citizens



One of Development and Peace's strengths is our ability to mobilize thousands of Canadians like you to amplify marginalized voices from the Global South. Our partners want businesses to not be able to perpetrate abuses in their countries with impunity.

That is why our *People and Planet First* campaign is asking you to help ensure that Canada adopts strong due diligence laws to prevent Canadian corporations from

abusing human and environmental rights across their global operations. Sign our petition for this at <u>devp.org/act</u> and spread the word. **Thank you for supporting our campaign!**

EVENINGS WITH BISHOP LOBSINGER

Live Online or in person (Canadian Martyrs Church, Hamilton) 2nd Friday of every month: April 8, May 13, and June 10.

Join Bishop Wayne Lobsinger – each month we will go through methodically the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*. **There is NO Registration, NO fee, NO homework!!**

Come ready to learn and ask all the questions you always wanted to ask about our Catholic Faith.

Watch live online at: www.canadianmartyrsshamilton.com OR View past sessions on YouTube: https://tinyurl.com/mxz7dtuv

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND THE CHURCH: WALKING TOGETHER TOWARD HEALING & RECONCILIATION

Catholics across the country are are invited to join in collective prayer as a delegation of Indigenous survivors, Elders, knowledge keepers and young people travel to Rome to meet with Pope Francis from Dec. $17^{th}-20^{th}$. The journey, organized by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, represents an important moment in the ongoing journey of healing and reconciliation. As announced in late October, the deligation will also help informthe planned pilgrimage of the Holy Father to Canada at a future date. For more information, please visit www.cccb.ca.

PRAYER FOR THE INDIGENOUS DELEGATION

On March 28, in solidarity with Indigenous Peoples keeping a Sacred Fire during the delegation, a fire will be lit in front of St Anne Church. All are invited to come and pray anytime between 11 am and 1 pm.

This prayer unites us to the 'prayer wave' moving across Canada, led by the Guadalupe Circle. If you cannot join us in person, take a few minutes to light a candle and pray wherever you are during this time. We pray that Pope Francis will listen with all his heart to the Indigenous Delegates and lead us in responding with action.

ST JOSEPH LITURGICAL MINSTRIES

St. Joseph Parish will host a general meeting of all Liturgical group members: Lectors, Ministers of the Eucharistic, musicians and choirs, ushers, decorators, adult Altar servers on Monday March 21st at 7 pm in the Parish Hall. There may be members of the various Liturgical groups that do not have an e-mail or others we may have simply forgotten from our old list. Please check with and remind one another of this important meeting!

PARISH ONLINE SYNOD NEWS

The final report will be made available to everyone in our parishes and many others now have an opportunity to be a part of this exciting process. The Bishop Crosby has broadened the consultation – that's how important it is that everyone's voice is heard!! There are several choices:

- 1. you may wish to respond to the questionnaire electronically by going online to: http://hamiltondiocese.com/synod/
- 2. download the Synod Consulting Questionnaire, print or legibly write your responses to the questions, and return the questionnaire to the Parish Office mailbox, or dropping it in the collection basket
- 3. pick up a hard copy of the questionnaire at the back of the Church this weekend, complete it and return it to the Parish, by March 28th

To quote the Bishop: "this invitation of Pope Francis to 'let your voice be heard' is an extraordinary opportunity for all of us to discover how the Holy Spirit is speaking in the Church today. I pray that all of us will personally experience the blessings of this Synod process!"

REACHING OUT TO ST ANNE & ST JOSEPH

We are excited that the restrictions are being lifted and we can now have 2 Lectors at each Mass. We are reaching out to our Parishioners to see if anyone is interested in being a Lector or a Eucharistic Minister. We hope that you will consider joining one of these Ministries. Please call or e-mail the Parish Offices and let us know that you are interested.

St. Anne – 519-745-5302: stannekitchener@hamiltondiocese.com

St. Joseph – 519-745-9302: stjosephkitchener@hamiltondiocese.com

ST MARY/ST ANNE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

St. Mary's/St. Anne's Catholic Women's League "Welcome Back" start-up Meeting will be on Sunday March 20th, following St. Mary's 11 am Mass! Please join us in the newly renovated Hall - special thanks to Chef Amy, who is arranging tea, coffee, water, and a plate of sweets for us! This will enable us to share Prayer, Fellowship, and Companionship, as we gather for the first time since the Pandemic. Looking forward to celebrating our first meeting with you!!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Mark your calendars for VBS 2022! This half-day camp for ages 5-11 is back mornings from August 8-12. Leaders (finishing grade 6 and up) are needed. Watch the bulletin for more information.



DIOCESAN VOCATION CORNER

How are you contributing to the treasury? God knows what gift we give to Him in love. Let us then be faithful to whatever vocation God calls us to live. Does Jesus want you to give your life to the Church? If you think that God is calling you to serve Him as a priest, religious or deacon, call the Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 ext. 2246 or e-mail: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Website: https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/