ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

Mar. 11, 2018 A.D. **4**th Sunday in Lent



MASSES THIS WEEK

Mon., Mar. 12

8:00 am In Praise & Thanksgiving

req. Elaine Ditner

Tues., Mar. 13

7:00 pm † Ebanga Philemon req. Therese Eyono

Wed., Mar. 14

8:00 am † Donna & Vera McGlynn

req. Zennie Sunga

Thurs., Mar. 15

8:00 am Int. of Lucinda Rodrigues reg. Lucinda Rodrigues

Fri., Mar. 16

8:00 am † Souls in Purgatory

req. Lucinda Rodrigues

Sat., Mar. 17 St. Patrick
9:00 am † Vera Bettridge-Ashwell

reg. Family

5:00 pm † Bryan Shantz reg. Annette Shantz

† Souls in Purgatory req. Fernanda Lameira

† Juventino Soares reg. Margarida Soares

† Andrew & Mary Kossuth reg. Frank Kossuth

Sun., Mar. 18 9:00 am

St. Cyril of Jerusalem Intention of Parishioners

11:00 am † Juventino Soares reg. Margarida Soares

† Orlanda Amorim
reg. Husband & Children

† Maria Eduarda Teixeira

† Christian Teixeira

req. Family

1:30 pm Eritrean Community Mass5:00 pm Sudanese 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

Mar. 4, 2018 envelopes (117) \$ 2861.50

Mar. 4, 2018 loose change \$ 333.50

Building Fund \$ 1622.70

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., Mar. 12
Tues., Mar. 13
Wed., Mar. 14
Thurs., Mar. 15
Fri., Mar. 16
Sat., Mar. 17
Rev. Toby Collins, C.R.
Rev. Daniel Lobsinger, C.R.
Ursuline Sisters (O.S.U.)
Rev. Martin Mikulski, S.A.C.
Rev. Msgr. Edward House
Rev. William Trusz

INTENTIONS FOR SANCTUARY LAMP

Week of March 12, 2018:

Main Church -

Chapel - Erna Spoenlein

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 ck's Day Dance, with music provided

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 are \$15 at the door; tickets are available only to those 19+.

Mark Your Calendar

PPC Exec. meeting – Mar. 12, 7 pm

Lenten Penitential Celebration – Wed., Mar. 14, 7 pm

Stations of the Cross– Mar. 16, 7 pm – Ushers

St. Patrick's Dance – Sat., Mar. 17

PPC meeting - Mar. 19, 7 pm

Confirmation – Tues., Mar. 20, 7 pm

First Holy Communion Parents meeting – Mar. 21, Church Hall, 7 pm

Finance Council meeting – Thurs., Mar. 22, 10 am

J.B. Miller Concert & Lenten Reflection – Thurs., Mar. 22, 7 pm

Fish on Good Friday – more info to come



SPRING VENDOR SALE

Sat., Apr. 14th from 9:30

am to 12:30 pm. We have a few spots still available for rent - \$25 for approx. 6' table. Registration is open to vendors outside the parish. Book your table ASAP – call Cathy 519-578-0785.

MASS OF CHRISM

Mon., Mar. 26th, 7 pm, Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. All are welcome.

MILK BAG PROGRAM

The milk bag collection will be finished at the end of March. Please bring in any bags before April 1st. St. Bernadette School has

been able to supply thousands of bags to the volunteers who make plastic mats for medical use in developing nations. Thank you to all the parishioners who have supported this program!

JOIN THE "CALL FOR CONSCIENCE"

The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario is forcing health care workers to participate in ending the lives of their patients. 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. We all need to join the "Call for Conscience" taking place until March 31st.



For the fourth week of Lent, lets' go to Peru and discover

one of D & P's partners, the Bartolome de Las Casas Institute where students strengthen their capacity for dialogue, consensus, participation, and consultation in order to exercise ethical and responsible civic leadership in their communities.

The Solidarity Sunday collection will be celebrated in all Canadian parishes next week. We will appeal to your generosity in support of our sisters and brothers in the Global South who fight every day for peace, human dignity and social justice.

LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICES

Tues., Mar. 13, 7 pm, St. Aloysius, Kitchener Wed., Mar. 14, 7 pm, St. Joseph

Mon., Mar. 19, 7 pm, St. Mary, Kitchener

Extra Confessions at St. Joseph's Church

Mon., Mar. 26 - 8:30 - 9:30 am

Tues., Mar. 27 – 6:00–6:45 pm & 7:30-8:30 pm

<u>VOCATIONS OFFICE</u>: If you 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.

<u>CURSILLO WEEKEND</u>: 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.

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

More info: cursillohamilton.org or contact Marg Weber marg.weber@sympatico.ca, (519) 747-5937, or Fr. Ray Reitzel, CR rayreitzelcr@live.com, (519) 725-1445.

<u>DIOCESAN WEDDING ANIVERSARY MASS</u>: On Sun., June 10, Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. The Mass is for couples married 25,40,50,60 or 60+ years in the year 2018. Space allows room for Anniversary couples only – those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if assistance is required. To register for the celebration, please refer to the poster by the school side entrance of the church or go to www.hamiltiondiocese.com.

<u>THE TRUE COST</u>: a documentary film about clothing we wear that pulls back the curtain on the untold story and asks us to consider, who really pays the price for our clothing; filmed all over the world, from the brightest runways to the darkest slums. Fri., Mar. 23rd, 7-9 pm, St. Agatha Parish Hall, St. Agatha.

<u>PARENTING TIP</u>: Lent is a time of preparation which allows us to fully celebrate the joy of the Resurrection and reflect on the gift of salvation. Help your children, no matter their ages, to understand that Lent is more than just "giving something up". Lent is a time for prayerful reflection which allows us to properly celebrate and understand the gifts of forgiveness, salvation and eternal life given to us through Christ's passion, death and resurrection. Pray as a family, talk about what these gifts mean and teach about the symbols of Lent, since all of these lead us to the joy of Easter. Instead of dreading Lent, you can help our children rejoice in its ability to bring us closer to God.

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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