

**St. Joseph's Parish Family**  
**27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**October 3/4, 2020**



**Mass Schedule and Intentions**  
**October 5 – October 11, 2020**

**Monday**

**8:00 am** + Pat Hayes – Tony & Anne Marie Gauvin

**Tuesday**

St. Bruno

**7:00 pm** + Pat Hayes - Family

**Thursday**

**8:00 am** + Ildebrando Silveira – Maria Silveira

**Friday**

St. Denis & Companions

**8:00 am** Int. of Cooney Family - Family

**Saturday**

**11:00 am** + All who died throughout the Diocese of Hamilton during the shutdown from the Covid-19 virus or any other cause

**5:00 pm** + Fr. Chris Besigye – Ruth Ann Dietrich  
 + Dec'd members of the De Francesco Family – Nina De Francesco  
 + Souls in Purgatory – Julia Domingues

**Sunday**

St. John XXIII

**11:00 am The Parishioners of St. Joseph**

+ Souls in Purgatory – Maria Da Costa  
 + Pat Hayes – Odessa & William Barrett

**1:30 pm Eritrean Community**

**CONFESSIONS**

Confessions are now permitted by appointment only. Please contact the priest directly through the parish office.

**DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR**

<b>Monday</b>	Rev. Claude Perera, O.M.I.
<b>Tuesday</b>	Rev. David Reitzel
<b>Wednesday</b>	Salesians of St. Don Bosco (S.D.B.)
<b>Thursday</b>	Rev. Patras Samuel Masih
<b>Friday</b>	Rev. David Reilander
<b>Saturday</b>	Rev. Tom Moisan

**PARISH SUPPORT**

**Next Pre-Authorized Giving withdrawal – October 15<sup>th</sup>.**

A big "Thank you" to all who contribute generously to the regular Sunday Offering". May God reward your sacrifices.



**WEEKEND OFFERING Sept. 26/27, 2020**

Saturday/Sunday Offering	\$1839.00
Loose Donations	\$125.00
Building Fund	\$67.00
Needs of Cdn Church	\$459.00



**Pray for our Deceased Loved One and the Sick**

Let us remember in prayer our brothers and sisters in Christ  
 - who are sick: Greg deGroot-Maggetti  
 - who have died: Hermie Vanspall, mother of Bernadette

**Next Week's Liturgical Readings**

**October 11, 2020 – 28<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

- 1) Isaiah 25:6-10a
- 2) Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20
- 3) Matthew 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

**FOCUS:** We are invited to live in the house of the Lord for all eternity

As we move to the end of another liturgical year, our readings begin to speak to us about the end times. Full of hope and encouragement, they are meant to spur us on to faithful Gospel living no matter what befalls us in this life. Set among them is the responsorial psalm for today, Psalm 23, where the Lord is our shepherd who leads us to green pastures.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

The prophet Isaiah tells of the great banquet the Lord will prepare for his people at the end of time. Paul writes to the Philippians, assuring them that he knows how to live in different sets of circumstances, and that *I can do all things in him who strengthens me*. In the Gospel, Jesus tells a parable likening the kingdom of heaven to a king hosting a wedding feast for his son.

**Parish Live-streamed Mass**

This weekend, Mass will be live-streamed at the 11:00 am at St. Joseph Church; next weekend at the 9:30 am at St. Anne.

**PARISH OFFICES OPEN – BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**

Thank you for your patience during these difficult times.

Office Hours: Monday – Closed

Tuesday to Friday – 12:30 pm – 4:00 pm

Please phone the office, leave a message and the person you wish to speak with will return your call.

**THE BOOK OF YOUTH**

- Our Chapter in the Acts of the Apostles –

All young people in grades 5-11 are invited to join us for our online Youth nights at 7 pm on Zoom. These social nights are a great time to relax together and play games. If interested, please email Mary at [stjosephkitcheneryouth@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephkitcheneryouth@gmail.com) for permission forms and a link to the Zoom room.

**ST. JOSEPH CHURCH FALL CRAFT & VENDOR SALE**

Unfortunately, due to the current social distancing guidelines, we have made the decision to cancel the sale. Thank you to all previous attendees and vendors for supporting our sales!

**THANK YOU**

A big Thank-you to everyone who acknowledged Fr. Tom's birthday. Thank you for all your prayers, cards & gifts.

## FALL SACRAMENTS

Last spring, our young people were unable to receive First Eucharist and Confirmation. These celebrations are now rescheduled. Please keep them in your prayers!

First Communion: October 3

Confirmation: November 12

Please contact Mary for more information.

## CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSE

If your child(ren) are not attending a Catholic School, those in Kindergarten through grade 12 are invited to join the Catechetical Correspondence Courses to replace their Religion and Family Life curriculum. Please contact Mary for more information at [stjosephkitcheneryouth@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephkitcheneryouth@gmail.com).

## MASS FOR ALL DECEASED Saturday, October 10th at 11:00 am

Will be celebrated for all who have died of COVID-19 and for those who died during that challenging period. We offer our solidarity and support for the families of all who have died during these difficult times, often unable to grieve the loss of a loved one because of the public health restrictions. If you know of parishioners effected by the death of a loved one, please inform them of this celebration and please RSVP with the names of those planning to attend.

## ONE SPECIAL COLLECTION October 17/18

The Diocese of Hamilton will hold One Special Collection to support the many charitable works whose special collections we missed during the pandemic shutdown: Development and Peace (Share Lent); Holy Land (Good Friday); Papal Charities; Needs of the Canadian Church; World Mission Collection; Cura Pastorum (care of retired Priests). The funds collected will be distributed to the organizations according to the percentage of the special collections from 2019. Envelopes will be made available to parishioners Thanksgiving weekend. Please be especially generous.

## NATIONAL CATHOLIC HEALTH CARE WEEK October 4th – 10th

We recognize the inspiring work of Catholic health care workers and organizations in our Province and across Canada. At the heart of Catholic health care is a deep respect for the intrinsic value and dignity of every human being and an unwavering commitment to serving all people, from all backgrounds and faiths. We give thanks for the courageous gift of Catholic health care during these challenging times – in hospitals, community health centres, and senior care centres. For more information visit the website of the Catholic Health Alliance of Canada at [www.chac.ca](http://www.chac.ca)

## OCTOBER – MONTH OF THE ROSARY

The entire month is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. The feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary is October 7, Wednesday this year. This month is a good time to commit to praying the Rosary (or a decade of the Rosary) each day. It will bring great peace and holiness to your life.

## NOVENA FOR THE CAUSE OF LIFE

The Knights of Columbus are organizing a Novena for the Cause of Life during Respect Life Month from Oct 4 thru Oct 12, 2020. All Catholics are asked to join Pope Francis in prayer “for an end to abortion, euthanasia and the many social ills that bring illness, broken families, unhappiness and premature death, especially for the most vulnerable.”

During each day of the Novena, one reflects on a quote selected from the teachings of Pope Francis on the sanctity of life, prays a decade of the rosary, and concludes with St John Paul II's prayer from *Evangelium Vitae*. The prayer and the reflective quotes for the Novena are found on our website. They have also been sent by email to those parishioners on our contact list. By calling upon the help of Our Lady, together we can further promote, “the defence of all life and of ... human dignity.”

## POPE FRANCIS' LAUDATO SI

ON THE FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS ENCYCLICAL “*LAUDATO SI*”, Pope Francis has initiated a year-long anniversary to celebrate the letter and to deepen our understanding and appreciation for its focus on “the precarious state of our common home”. Check out the website established for the year: [www.LaudatoSiYear.org](http://www.LaudatoSiYear.org). We will be hearing more about this as the year unfolds!

The feast day of St. Francis of Assisi, the Holy Father's namesake, is Oct. 4. Because it falls on a Sunday this year, it cannot be liturgically celebrated and, because of the pandemic, we cannot have the annual **Blessing of Animals**. Instead, we hope you will bless your pets and give them a special treat this day. St. Francis is the patron of ecology and of animals. He lived a life of simplicity and humble service, teaching us to reverence and respect the planet, our “Common Home.”

## ST. MICHAEL PARISH GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP – HEARTACHE TO HEALING

The Program follows the process developed by Dr. Bill Webster and is designed to assist people after the death of a loved one, or a significant loss. The sessions will be held on Thur. evenings from 7-8:30 pm (Oct. 22 to Nov. 26). Everyone is welcome. There is no fee, but you must register by October 12<sup>th</sup>. Due to Covid-19 protocol and restrictions we have limited seats available. Visit our website for more information at [www.stmichaelw.ca/grief-support](http://www.stmichaelw.ca/grief-support). To register, or for more information, please contact the St. Michael parish office 519-884-6311 or e-mail [parish@stmichaelw.ca](mailto:parish@stmichaelw.ca)

## RETRouvaille October 23rd – 25th

**Experiencing Stress in Your Marriage? Thinking about Separation or Divorce?** – Is your marriage not what you hoped it would be? Are you, or a relative or friend, heading for a possible divorce? Retrouvaille is designed to help marriages regain their health. The Retrouvaille program is highly successful in saving marriages and in helping them to thrive. For confidential information about, or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on Oct. 23, 2020. Please call 905-664-5212 or email: [Teamrecine@gmail.com](mailto:Teamrecine@gmail.com) or visit the website at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

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