

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

Dec. 2, 2018 A.D.

1st Sunday of Advent

THIS WEEK MASSES

Mon., Dec. 3 8:00 am	<i>St. Francis Xavier</i> In Praise & Thanksgiving req. Elaine Ditner
Tues., Dec. 4 7:00 pm	<i>St. John Damascene</i> Int. of Sick & Shut-ins members of the St. Clement's CWL
Wed., Dec. 5 8:00 am	Intention of Elaine Ditner req. Brian Murphy
Thurs., Dec. 6 8:00 am	<i>St. Nicholas</i> Intention of Maria Silvester req. Joao Silvester † John Lopes req. Otilia Lopes
Fri., Dec. 7 8:00 am	<i>St. Ambrose</i> † Ildebrando Silveira req. Maria Silveira
2:00 pm	Mass at Millwood Manor
Sat., Dec. 8	<i>The Immaculate Conception of the Bl. Virgin Mary</i> Intention of Michael Levacic req. Maureen & Rudy Levacic
9:00 am	Intention of Ruth Ann & Bert Dietrich req. Shiela Jankura
5:00 pm	† Judy & Cidonio req. Heliodoro † Souls in Purgatory req. Julia & Max Domingues
Sun., Dec. 9 10:00 am	<i>St. Juan D Cuauhtlatotzin</i> † Orlanda Amorim req. Sister & Family † Armando Pereira req. Ana Rodrigues † Ildebrando Silveira req. Maria Silveira † Dec'd members of the Ngaling Family req. Margaret & Ojong McMoli
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
Nov. 25, 2018 envelopes (87)	\$	1643.50
Nov. 25, 2018 loose change	\$	201.95

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., Dec. 3	Rev. Octavio Cidado
Tues., Dec. 4	Rev. Jose Edson Moreira
Wed., Dec. 5	Disclaled Carmelite Sisters
Thurs., Dec. 6	Rev. Peter Raymond
Fri., Dec. 7	Rev. George Nowak
Sat., Dec. 8	Rev. Pawel Szymanowski

INTENTIONS FOR SANCTUARY LAMP

Week of Dec. 3, 2018:

Main Church –
Chapel – Erna Spoenlein
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 (grades 5-8+) – Dec. 1, 6-8:30, hall
- Coffee Sunday – Dec. 2
- CYMT mtg – Dec. 2 after Coffee Sunday, church hall
- PPC mtg – Dec. 3
- Youth Group – Dec. 8, 1-4:30 pm, hall, rehearsal for play at potluck
- 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 beginning the first week of Advent, Dec. 2nd. 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. 15th 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.

SONGS OF ADVENT & THE BIRTH OF JESUS by JOHN B. MILLER & FRIENDS

St. Anne Church, Thurs., Dec. 6th, 7 pm and is about an hour long. A cash donation of \$10/person is appreciated.

40th ANNUAL ADVENT NOVENA

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



ADVENT RECONCILIATION

Tues., Dec. 11, St. Anne's Church, 7 pm
Wed., Dec. 19, **St. Joseph 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

VOCATIONS OFFICE: 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.



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. Answers to a set of Frequently Asked Questions appear in Parish bulletins regularly. A compilation of all questions that have been published are available throughout the campaign at oneheartonesoul.ca.*

Who will actually conduct the campaign at each Parish?

The Diocese, with the help of the Steier Group, will manage the overall campaign effort, including the preparation of materials. At each Parish, the Pastor will identify campaign leaders who will work with the Steier Group. Those Parish leaders will help recruit other volunteers to form a campaign team that will conduct the personal visits and other elements that are the key to the success of the campaign.

How much help with the campaign can our Parish expect to get from the Diocese and the consulting firm?

The Diocese will pay the financial costs of the campaign. Parishes will not be responsible for any campaign expenses such as postage, printing or diocesan events held at the parish. If a Parish hosts an event to promote the campaign to its parishioners, the Parish will bear those costs. In addition, several Steier Group campaign managers will guide the Parishes through the campaign process. Each Parish will be assigned to one of four “waves.” The Parish will be responsible for forming a team of volunteers that implements the necessary elements of the process.

How long will this take?

On a diocesan level, the entire campaign will run through early 2021. On a Parish level, there will be four campaign “waves.” A Parish’s particular wave will run for six to seven months. That includes preparation, solicitation and follow-up phases. The active solicitation period will last three to four months.

What happens if our Parish doesn’t hit its financial goal?

A clergy committee will implement policies that all parishes will follow on such questions. There will be incentives for Parishes to reach their goals. Parishes not reaching their goals face the prospect of not being able to complete needed projects

CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES: Programs for children not in Catholic Schools from Kindergarten through to High School, preparation for First Communion and Confirmation. Families work through the programs at home. Contact Monica 905-528-7988 ext. 2238 or check out website: www.hamiltondiocese.com and click on the Catechesis Office for more info/forms.

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.

[Loyalty Funding Program](#)

www.loyaltyfunding.ca/stjoseph