

St. Joseph Parish

Parish Dedicated June 24, 1894

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WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE

Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Parish Staff

Monsignor Murray J. Kroetsch, PH, VG. - Pastor
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Reverend Luis Inacio – Associate Pastor
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Sunday Eucharist

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Weekday Mass

Tuesday to Friday 8:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 p.m. or by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism

Please call the parish office to arrange a meeting with one of the priests to make preparations for the baptism of your child.

First Communion and Confirmation

Preparation for these sacraments begins in the fall of the year. Watch the bulletin for further information.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please call the parish office one year prior to the desired wedding date to arrange a meeting with one of the priests to discuss the necessary arrangements to be made.

Interested in Becoming Catholic

Adults wishing to become Catholic are asked to call the parish office to arrange a meeting with one of the priests to discuss the necessary steps to be taken.

Religious Education for Children not in Catholic Schools

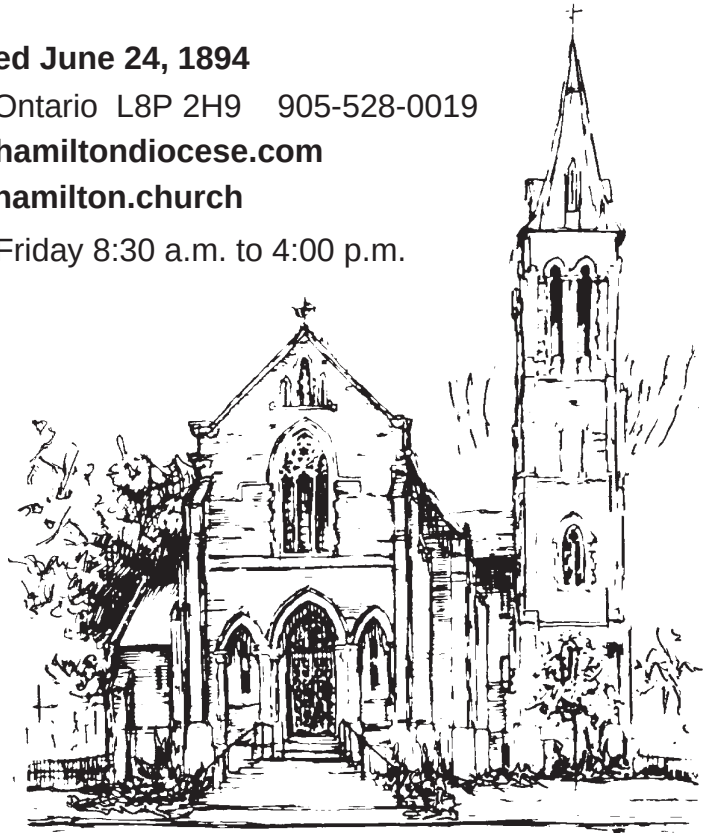
Contact the parish office for information on available catechetical programs.

Ministry to the Sick and Shut-ins

If you are unable to attend church, arrangements can be made for you to receive Holy Communion at home. Please contact the parish office. If you wish a pastoral visit to your home or to the hospital, or wish to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the sick, call the parish office.

Funerals

When a loved one has died, kindly advise the parish office. The priest who will preside will meet with you to prepare the Funeral Rites.



Stewardship: Ways to Give

Pre-Authorized Giving

This is the easiest method. Your chosen donation amount will automatically be withdrawn from your bank account at your chosen frequency. To set this up, pick up a form at the church, or the Parish Office or see the form on our parish website.

Parish Envelopes

Upon request, a box of envelopes can be prepared for you. Be sure to place these in the collection basket at Mass or mail them to the Parish Office, should you be unable to join us for Sunday Mass.

Credit Card Donations

Contact the Parish office for more information.

Thank you for your generosity and commitment to our Parish Community.

Remember your Parish

When estate planning, be sure to remember your Parish, your spiritual home here on earth, and make a contribution to the future faith life of our parish.

Vocations

For information on vocations to the Priesthood, and Consecrated Life, call the Diocesan Vocations Office 905-528-7988.

Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that the land we live, work and meet on are the traditional territories of the Haudenosaunee and Mississauga. The land is covered by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant.

Diocese of Hamilton: Website: www.hamiltondiocese.com



Mass Intentions

Tuesday, June 23, 2026

8:00 a.m. + Margaret Droughan – Susan Harper
+ Edgar Jegeris – Lydia Jegeris & Family

Wednesday, June 24, 2026

8:00 a.m. + Florence Izzotti – The Sager Family
+ Jose & Gilda Cabral – Dianne Porter

Thursday, June 25, 2026

8:00 a.m. +Joanne, Joseph and Colombina & Cosmo Drosi
- Joanne Drosi

Friday, June 26, 2026

8:00 a.m. + Danny Shea – Margaret and Michael Holland

Saturday, June 27, 2026

5:00 p.m. For the Parish

Sunday, June 28, 2026

10:00 a.m. For the Parish

POPE'S JUNE PRAYER INTENTION

For the values of sport: Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity and personal growth.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

We are grateful to all who contribute their time, talent and treasure to support our parish community and our mission. We continue to count on your generosity

June 14, 2026

Sunday Offering: \$ 1,611.05



THANK YOU TO FR. LUIS INACIO

Just over two years ago, we were privileged to welcome Fr. Luis to our parish and to celebrate with him his first Mass of Thanksgiving following his ordination to the Priesthood. Now, after two years of faithful ministry in our parish, it is time to say thanks and farewell.

Father Luis' joyful and enthusiastic presence has been a blessing to our parish community. His ministry at St. Joseph School, at Aberdeen Gardens and his care for the many new altar servers has been outstanding! We will certainly miss him. At the same time, we congratulate him on his appointment as Pastor of St. Mary Parish in Hamilton. We know he will be an effective pastor of that community. We pray that the Holy Spirit guide and direct him as he assumes this appointment!

ARE YOU REGISTERED?

You may have been coming to St. Joseph Parish for many years and are not registered. We ask you to check with our parish office to make sure you are a registered parishioner. Parish registration is required to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, First Eucharist and Marriage.



DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART: A WAY OF LIFE

Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is more than a set of prayers; it is a way of life. It teaches us patience, generosity, forgiveness, and compassion in a world often marked by division and indifference. This month, consider simple practices such as praying as a family, performing acts of charity, or spending time in Eucharistic adoration or quiet prayer.

Additional prayers and resources for the Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus are available on the diocesan website: www.hamiltondiocese.com/sacredheart

SUNDAE SUNDAY WEEKEND



Join us after Masses TODAY for Ice Cream, sponsored by our Parish Social Committee. This will also be an occasion to express our thanks and good wishes to Fr. Luis as he prepares to begin his new ministry as Pastor of St. Mary Parish in Hamilton. All are welcome!

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

During the summer months the Parish Office will be open on **Tuesday and Wednesday each week from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** The Office will be closed on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays from July 2nd until August 31st. Thank you for your understanding.

SUMMER BULLETINS

During the summer months, the Parish bulletin will be published bi-weekly. July 5, July 19, August 2, August 16 and August 30. Weekly bulletins will resume on September 6th.

CONSTRUCTION

Repairs to the outside steps of the church are scheduled to begin this week. These repairs are needed to ensure the safety of all parishioners and guests.



Today is the final day for our Sunday Celebration of God's Word with children for this pastoral year. We thank all of our volunteers who have shared God's Word with our children. During the summer months, we look forward to the children celebrating God's word with us in the church. Thanks also to the parents who have encouraged their children to participate in the celebrations this past year. See you in the fall!



We offer our thanks to all fathers, living and deceased, through the intercession of St. Joseph, patron of all Fathers.

God our Father,
we praise and bless you
for the life you have given us
through your saving love
revealed in Jesus your Son.

Through Christ you have revealed yourself
as a loving father who provides for us all.
Look with love upon our fathers
and bless them with your love.

Deepen their love for their families
and make us one in love
with all your holy people
as we proclaim your mighty deeds
and sing your praises.

We offer you praise and glory,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

MAGNIFICA HUMANITAS *On the Protection of Human Dignity in the Age of Artificial Intelligence*

Pope Leo XIV's first encyclical, **Magnifica Humanitas** released publicly on May 25 and focuses on human dignity, ethics, labour, and responsible AI development. As Catholics, we are called to use new technologies wisely, guided by faith, truth, and concern for the common good. You can read this new encyclical here: www.vatican.va

THE LORD'S DAY

From the earliest days of the Church, following the Resurrection of the Lord, God's holy people have gathered on the first day of the Week to listen to God's Word and to Celebrate the Eucharist.

Sunday is for all Christians a day of rest and relaxation, and as for our Jewish brothers and sisters, a day to give thanks for all God's abundant gifts: the gift of God's creation, the gift of life, and the gift of family and friends. In addition, for us Christians, Sunday is the Lord's Day – the weekly remembrance of the Day of Christ's resurrection, and a day when we remember and celebrate our baptismal share in the life of Christ.

During the summer months, as we enjoy time to rest and travel, we continue to gather with our faith community on Sunday (wherever we may be) to give thanks to God for the abundant blessings we share and to be nourished by God's Word and the Sacrament of Christ's body and Blood.

Let us be united in prayer and in our love for one another during these summer days!



PRAYER FOR TRAVELLERS

Almighty God, Lord of heaven and earth,
we praise you for the wonders of your creation.
As we travel, open our eyes to the beauty of creation
so that we may discover the wisdom and love
of the One who created it.

Bless our time together, keep us safe from all harm,
and refresh us in body and spirit.
Be with us on our journeys
And guide us safely home by your loving hand, Amen

MOVING DAY FOR PRIESTS

Wednesday, June 24th is moving day for many priests in the Diocese. We pray for God's blessings upon them as they begin their new assignments. May they receive a gracious welcome in their new communities and be guided by the Holy Spirit as they serve the new communities entrusted to their pastoral care.

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