



Mass Intentions October 18 – October 24, 2021 **Prayer Calendar**

	St. Anne	St. Joseph	Diocese of Hamilton
Monday 8:00 am	No Mass	+ Ildebrando Silveira - Maria Silveira	Very Rev. Adrian Lee
Tuesday 7:00 pm	+ Jeanne Held - Estate	Confirmation	Very Rev. Michael King
Wednesday 8:00 am	Int. of John Kobetich - Family	No Mass	Congregation of the Holy Cross (C.S.C.)
Thursday 8:00 am	+ Ed & Demerise Lafleur - Kevin & Jo Ann Schmalz	+ Maria Rocha - St. Joseph Place Friends	Rev. Marko Stefanec
Friday 8:00 am	+ Albert & Emily Hayek - Hayek Family	+ Fr. Denis Wilkinson - Nancy & Family	Rev. Hanh Van Tran, O.M.I.
Saturday St. Anne 4 pm St. Joseph 5 pm	+ Pola Hickman - Wendy Sibley	+ Souls in Purgatory - Fernanda Lameira + Dec'd members of the De Francesco Family - Nina De Francesco	Rev. Yvon Paquin, O.H.
Sunday St. Anne 9:30 am St. Joseph 11 am	Parishioners of St. Anne	Parishioners of St. Joseph + Andrew & Mary Kossuth - Frank + Souls in Purgatory - Julia Domingues	

SUNDAY LIVE-STREAMED 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. No livestreaming. Letter attached.

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 – November 15th*
More information is available on our websites.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR PARISH CAMPAIGN



This Week's Liturgical Readings

October 17, 2021 - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
1) Isaiah 53:10-11 2) Hebrews 4:14-16 3) Mark 10:35-45 or 10:42-45
FOCUS: Christ came to give his life as a ransom for many.
As Jesus reveals that he is the Suffering Servant who must suffer and die, so we, his disciples, can expect to follow him along the road to Calvary. Yet even in light of this painful truth, we have a marvelous hope: the hope that the now glorified Suffering Servant will intercede for us before the throne of God.
LITURGY OF THE WORD
Isaiah prophesies the servant who, through his suffering, will justify many. In the Letter to the Hebrews, Jesus is described as the great high priest who has passed through the heavens. In the Gospel, James and John ask Jesus to allow them to sit at his right and left hand in his glory.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

We look forward to celebrating Confirmation with the young people who prepared last year over the next month. St. Anne: Oct. 18 & 20, St. Joseph: Oct. 19. Continue to keep them in your prayers.

ONLINE YOUTH GROUP CONTINUES

During October our Youth group for grades 5 and up continues online Friday nights. Join us for games, prayer, and sharing. New members are always encouraged! Please contact Mary Forcier at stannekitcheneryouth@gmail.com or stjosephkitcheneryouth@gmail.com for the link to join.

CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSE

For those in public or private schools: 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.

SYNOD OF BISHOPS

POPE FRANCIS HAS ANNOUNCED that the next Synod of Bishops will take place in October 2023. The theme for the Synod is: *For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission*. It will be the culmination of a “three-year path” involving the People of God at every level of the Church. Pope Francis officially inaugurated the event on October 10th. The first phase of the synodal path will take place in each Diocese beginning on the weekend of October 17th, under the leadership of the Bishop. This will be marked in the Sunday liturgies in all our parishes, and most particularly at the 4 pm Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. A Synod Committee has been established composed of David and Linda Dayler (chairpersons), Paula Dawson, Bishop Wayne Lobsinger and Monsignor Kroetsch. They will facilitate the synodal process so that as many parishioners as are interested in participating can be engaged. More information will be provided as the process gets underway.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES DIOCESAN EVENT Sat., May 28, Mount Mary in Ancaster

Pope Francis is urging dioceses to begin preparations for the 2022 World Meeting of Families. This is what the Diocese of Hamilton has begun to do! The Pope has asked that, “wherever it is possible, I would like to invite diocesan communities to plan initiatives based on the theme of the meeting, and to use the symbols being prepared by the Diocese of Rome.” More information will follow.

RCIA PROGRAM

If you wish to become a Catholic or to explore the Catholic faith and possibly join the Church, the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is the program for you. It starts this month, please call St. Anne: 519-745-5302 or St. Joseph: 519-745-9302.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION FORMATION

The Diocese is pleased to announce **In-Person Formation** session: Sat., Nov. 13th at St. Anthony Daniel Parish. To ensure compliance with COVID-19 protocols, limited registration is open on the Diocesan Liturgy Office webpage. Cost is \$25/person that includes lunch & refreshments.

ST. MARY’S HOSPITAL HYGIENE DRIVE

Thank you so much for your overwhelming generosity in donating personal hygiene products for patients in need at St. Mary’s General Hospital and the Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Centres. These items may seem ordinary and practical, but they have made a huge and immediate impact on patient care. Some of our staff were moved to tears to see the stocked cart of supplies we brought to units, allowing them to support their patients’ healing in this way. So overwhelming was your response, we ran out of storage space! We have paused the campaign temporarily but look forward to reaching out again to you in the coming months. We feel humbled, honoured and grateful for your response and for this life-giving collaboration between our hospital and its kind neighbours.

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

The Rosary Group at St. Anne meets to pray the Rosary every *Tuesday at 1:00 pm in the Church.*

RIGHT TO LIFE EVENTS

40 Days For Life till Oct. 31, 7 am – 7 pm, outside of Freeport Hospital, www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener or call 519-748-5548.

COVID VACCINES

The official position of the Catholic Church is that all available COVID vaccines are ethical and all Catholics who are able are encouraged to receive the vaccine. All employees serving in the Diocese of Hamilton are encouraged to be fully vaccinated or to submit to a COVID rapid test every Monday and Thursday in order to carry out their responsibilities. Volunteer liturgical ministers are required to be fully vaccinated. Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, encourages every member of the Catholic Church within our Diocese of Hamilton to be fully vaccinated.

DIOCESAN VOCATION CORNER

Jesus’ life was the best ‘job description’: sympathy; mercy; service; compassion; and total giving. Life is rewarding when one lives for others. Do you want to serve or be served? If you are willing to serve 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/>

From the Pastor,

The Sept. 12th letter of the Pastoral Team, published in our Bulletin that weekend, noted our goal to discontinue the online Sunday Mass after Thanksgiving. The reasons given were:

- * Many more people being fully vaccinated;
- * More parishioners returning to in-person Sunday Mass;
- * Lower rates of COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations, and deaths;
- * Our increased efforts to maintain a safe environment;
- * Technical difficulties we have always experienced;
- * Wide availability of TV and online Masses;

Those reasons are still valid. We have discussed it with more parishioners and with those few who gave us feedback. Having studied our online statistics (attendance averaged 14 households/devices from both parishes for the past month), we will now implement that goal. **We have discontinued the livestreaming of the Sunday Mass.**

We realize this may be a disappointment to some, we re-emphasize what we said back in September: *"It is time we re-think and re-emphasize Eucharist as the source and summit of our Christian life. We gather with Jesus and with one another as a community of believers, as disciples, as sisters and brothers. We are in communion with Him – and we receive Him in Holy Communion so that we can be in communion with one another as the body of Christ."*

We would like to assist the homebound by offering information about Sunday TV Masses:

Salt+Light TV: slmedia.org/live/waystowatch

Channel 240 or 224 Rogers Cable; Channel 654 Bell

6:30 am from the Chapel at Loretto Abbey in Toronto

8 am live from Mary Queen of the World Cathedral in Montreal, Quebec (in English)

9:30 am Sunday Mass from Mary Queen of the World Cathedral (en Français)

11 am Rebroadcast of 8 am English Mass

VisionTV: visiontv.ca/shows/daily-mass/

Channel 27 or 237 Rogers Cable; Channel 1213 or 1161 Bell

8 am from the Chapel at Loretto Abbey in Toronto

JoyTV: joytv.ca/schedule/

Channel 173 Rogers Cable; Channel 656 or 1245 Bell

7:30 am

In addition to Sundays, several of these offer daily Mass on TV or online. For more information, check their websites and others you may know or already view. Suggestions can be sent to the office.

We encourage those wishing an **in-home visit to received Holy Communion** to contact the parish office and we will make arrangements. We continue to support one another and our community of faith in its journey of service to God and our brothers and sisters.

Blessings,
Fr. Brian