

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Joseph,

It has been so good to see so many returning to Mass. Please note that the parish is very safe – with mandatory masks worn at Mass along with hand sanitization and cleaning between Masses, I again encourage you to make the transition back to church.

Please note the parish is OPEN and has been for many weeks now
The Weekend Masses are – Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am and 12:30pm. Daily Masses are held Monday to Saturday at 9:00am.

The Sunday Mass will continue to be live streamed for parishioners at 10:30am for those who do not feel ready to leave their homes yet.

Other important updates:

1. This is the last call to sign up for Pam's retirement celebration on Sunday August 30th. If you have not yet signed up – please call the parish office.
2. The parish website continues to help so many – visit www.stjosephgrimsby.ca – and our social media accounts to help enhance your faith. Also please continue to look at the parish YouTube channel for daily updates.

Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/StJoesGrimsby/>

Instagram - <https://www.instagram.com/stjoesgrimsby/>

Twitter - <https://twitter.com/stjoesgrimsby>

The parish YouTube channel once again is

- https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCX5_TJMB7GpOw6M0LV8t9pw

3. Thank you to all those who have donated towards our FIRE FUND. The young family of Jeff, Jennifer, Marcus, and Julianna are so grateful to the parish's outreach of monetary gifts, household items, clothing and gift cards that has been donated so far. Last call for those wishing to make a donation – please drop it off at the parish office or send an e-transfer to (myparishgift@gmail.com) and place FIRE FUND in the message line

The link to the page is - <https://www.gofundme.com/f/edenrock-fire-community-support>.

May we continue to pray for all 11 families affected by the fire.

4. The Knights of Columbus will be hosting another Bottle Drive to support the many charitable works they do here in the parish and Grimsby Community.

The Bottle Drive will take place:

Friday August 28 – from 3:00-7:00pm

Saturday August 29 – from 10:00am-3:00pm

They will be collecting all recyclable beer, liquor, and wine containers.

Please save your bottles and drop them off to support such a worthy cause! Thank you!

5. The parish Bible Study – God Talk - continues with its next session on Tuesday night at 7:00pm. We will be studying Ezekiel Chapters 24-33. Click on the link below and join as you are encouraged to deepen your relationship with God and the study of the scriptures. If you need help setting this up – contact the parish office.

Fr-Rico Passero is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Fr. Rico Passero God Talk Meeting

Time: This is a recurring meeting Meet anytime

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82763215683?pwd=TnFENVhveEF5VktKem1NMDVMdldzQT09>

Meeting ID: 827 6321 5683

Password: GodTalk

6. Daily Masses are again public to all who wish to attend. Masses are celebrated daily at 9:00am Monday to Saturday. They will also continue to be streamed online. Please note that everyone will be sitting in the **one assigned section** of the church – everyone is to remain socially distant, must wear a mask and sanitize their hands. Come begin the day off by thanking God as we gather around His sacred altar!

7. Friendly reminder, confessions continue to be heard on Saturday afternoons in the Marian Grotto from 3:00 to 4:00pm.

8. Baptisms continue to be celebrated. If you wish to have your son or daughter baptized, please contact the parish office.

9. I continue to invite you all to utilize the FORMED.org platform. Again, free to all parishioners, there are NUMEROUS resources for you to check out as an individual and as a family. Free to all parishioners. I have again included the instructions to enroll here:

To log onto FORMED (again FREE to all parishioners)

- Visit www.formed.org
- Click Sign up
- Click – I belong to a parish or organization
- Type St Joseph Grimsby – in the “find your parish or organization” box and click on our parish name once it populates
- Click Next
- Add your name and email address – then click sign up
- Enjoy FORMED

10. Please find the Daily Mass Intentions for the upcoming week attached to this email. Note – if you wish to have a Mass celebrated for a loved one – please contact the office. Offerings for a Mass in the Diocese of St. Catharines are \$10 per name per Mass. Contact the parish office for more details.

11. Thank you again for remembering the parish regarding finances. **Please continue to use the parish e-transfer email – myparishgift@gmail.com** (remembering there is to be no security question or password) **If you use the e-transfer option – please add your envelope number in the message line.** You can also continue to drop off your parish envelopes in the mailbox just outside the parish doors. I check and empty it several times a day. God bless you for your generosity. There are many parishioners who have supported us during this difficult time, I am asking those who are holding onto their offerings to kindly drop them off to assist in the paying of the parish regular expenses. Thank you in advance.

12. This is the St. Joseph Schedule for the week ahead. Note that Daily Masses again can be attended in person as well as the Daily Holy Hour (Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet and private prayer) and will also continue to be streamed LIVE along with a daily holy hour (except for Sundays)

Saturday Aug 22 – Feast of Queenship of Mary

Mass – 9:00am (Live stream)

Holy Hour – 9:30-10:30am

Confessions – 3:00-4:00pm

Mass – 5:00pm in Church

Sunday Aug 23 – 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses in Church – 8:30am, 10:30am & 12:30pm

Live Stream Mass – 10:30am

Monday Aug 24 – Feast of St. Bartholomew

Mass – 9:00am

Holy Hour – 3:00pm

Tuesday Aug 25

Mass – 9:00am

Holy Hour – 3:00pm

Wednesday Aug 26

Mass – 9:00am

Holy Hour (Worship Wednesday) - 3:00pm

Thursday Aug 27 – Feast of St. Monica

Mass – 9:00am

Holy Hour – 3:00pm

Friday Aug 28 – Feast of St. Augustine

Mass - 9:00am

Holy Hour – 12:00pm

Saturday Aug 29 – Feast of the Passion of St. John the Baptist

Mass – 9:00am

Holy Hour – 9:30am

If you have any pastoral needs, please email, or call the parish.
You remain in my daily prayers – please pray for me and for each other.

St. Joseph – pray for us. Mary, Mother of the Church – pray for us.

God bless, Fr. Rico