

# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH

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## OFFICE HOURS

Monday 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon, 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.  
Tuesday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon

## WEEKEND LITURGY

Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

## WEEKDAY LITURGY

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00 a.m.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday 6:15 - 6:45 p.m.  
Saturday 11:30 a.m. - 12 noon, and by appointment

## OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS

Tuesday evening Mass

## SACRED HEART DEVOTION

First Friday of every month at 8:30 a.m.

## BAPTISMS

Please contact the parish office to register for parent meeting for Baptism.

## MARRIAGES

Please contact the Pastor at least nine months in advance.

## PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

For more information or assistance contact our parish priest(s) or see [www.vocationinfo.ca](http://www.vocationinfo.ca)

## MINISTRY TO SICK/SHUT-INS

Please notify the Rectory Office and arrange Communion.

## CATHOLIC FUNERAL RITES

When a death occurs in your family please advise the priest immediately and they will assist you in making the liturgical arrangements. For information on Catholic burial, contact the cemetery office at (905) 522-7727 or 1-800-661-5985.

## NEW PARISHIONERS

We invite you to take the time to complete a census form, located at all doors of the church. Please drop it into the collection basket.

## BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

All bulletin announcements MUST be received by the parish office no later than Monday at 3:30 p.m. to ensure publication in the upcoming Sunday Bulletin.

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT EVERY FRIDAY AFTER 9 AM MASS - 12 NOON**

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



C.W.L. Message

On Tuesday, April 26, under the title of *Our Lady of Good Counsel*, Mary is honoured as the patron of the Catholic Women's League of Canada. Please join us at Mass on Tuesday evening to pray that our membership be strengthened.

**March for Life 2016** - Join us in Ottawa on May 12 to stand for life. Attend Mass at 10 a.m. in Notre Dame Cathedral, 12 p.m. rally on Parliament Hill, 1:30 march through downtown Ottawa. Also hear testimonies and at 4 p.m. an Easter Catholic prayer service. To reserve a seat on the bus phone Sandra at 905-528-3065. The bus will leave from the car-pool parking lot at Guelph Line and North Service Rd. at 3:45 a.m. and will return at 11 p.m. For more information, contact Christl Towler at 905-639-5949.

**The Society of St. Vincent de Paul** is once again offering to sponsor a limited number of **Summer Camp** and **Recreational Day Program** opportunities to students in grades one to eight. For more information about registering, please phone 905-979-6460 or email us at [stvatsj@gmail.com](mailto:stvatsj@gmail.com). The deadline for submissions is May 13, 2016.

**Doctor-assisted suicide: What you need to know**  
Get an authoritative Catholic perspective on this controversial new legislation from Dr. Moira McQueen, Executive Director of the Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute. Dr. McQueen is a noted expert on this issue and was appointed in 2014 by Pope Francis to the International Theological Commission. Come out for this free public presentation on Tuesday, May 17 at 7 p.m. in the parish hall. This event is sponsored by the St. John's Men's Group.

**First Communion**  
*On Sunday, May 1, the children of the parish will be receiving their First Communion at a special time set aside for them. This Mass will be at 2 p.m. and all are welcome to attend.*

<b>OFFERTORY COLLECTION</b>	
April 17, 2016.....	\$5,080.35
# of envelopes.....	281

Monday April 25 – St. Mark  
1 Peter 5:5b-14; Mark 16:15-20 – No Mass

Tuesday April 26  
Acts 14:19-28; John 14:27-31a  
7 PM – Laurie Grainger

Wednesday April 27  
Acts 15:1-6; John 15:1-8  
9 AM – Renzo Prevan

Thursday April 28  
Acts 15:7-21; John 15:9-11  
9 AM – James McCarthy

Friday April 29 – St. Catherine of Siena  
Acts 15:22-31; John 15:12-17  
9 AM – Earl Lamore

Saturday April 30  
Acts 16:1-10; John 15:18-21  
5 PM – Brian David

Sunday May 1 – 6th Sunday of Easter  
Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23; John 14:23-29  
9 AM – Pro Populo  
11 AM – Bernard Charles  
2 PM – First Communion



Our Parish

Monday April 25  
Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday April 26  
CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

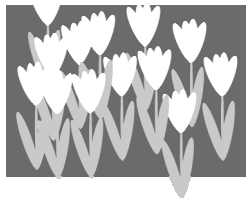
Wednesday April 27  
Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR  
Women's AA – 6:15 PM – Hall

Thursday April 28  
Cenacle Group – 9:30 AM – WR  
Christian Meditation – 1 PM – WR  
Choir Practice – 7:30 PM – Church

Friday April 29  
AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall

Saturday April 30  
Teens & Tweens Organ Recital – 7:30 PM – Church

Sunday May 1  
Baptism Preparation Meeting – 10 AM – WR



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### Teens and Tweens at the Pipe Organ

Please come by to hear some of Leslie Polci's piano students perform their favourite pop and classical pieces on the beautiful Letourneau pipe organ on Saturday, April 30 at 7:30 p.m. This is an opportunity to encourage our youth and enjoy an evening of tunes including "Phantom of the Opera." A reception will follow and admission is free, however, canned goods for the Partnership West Food Bank are encouraged.

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## IN THE SCHOOLS

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### PASTA NIGHT 2016!

**St. John School** once again invites you to their annual Pasta Night Fundraiser.

**WHEN:** Thursday, April 28 (5 p.m. or 7 p.m.)

**WHERE:** The Polish Hall on Fairview St.

Tickets are on sale now until April 15 @ \$12/adults, \$5/children 4-11 (children 3 and under eat FREE). Visit <http://schools.hcdsb.org/johb/default.aspx> and print an order form or pick up a form at the school and pay by cheque.

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Come out to **Assumption Catholic Secondary School**, 3230 Woodward Ave., on Saturday, May 7 between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. and test drive a new Buick and help Buick donate up to \$10,000 for the school. Enjoy BBQ, prizes, activities and more.

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## IN THE DIOCESE

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### Heal Your Heart

Are you dealing with a loss in your life such as the death of a spouse, child or miscarriage, divorce, job loss, loss of home, health, pet, culture, infertility, romantic relationship, ailing parents? You are invited to join a series of Group Bereavement Workshops aiming at mending conflicting emotions that hold you back from enjoying life. This is a 6-week course on Wednesdays, 1 to 3 p.m. beginning April 27 and each Wednesday until June 1 at St. Michael's Church, 181 Sewell Dr., Oakville. To register, go to [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) or phone the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2249. The cost is \$35 including material.

### Grief Relief

Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you wondering if these feelings are normal? Grief Relief is a six-week educational series dealing with grief. You are welcome on Wednesdays from May 4 to June 8 from 1:30 - 3 p.m. at the Diocese of Hamilton Chancery Office. There is no cost. To register, phone 905-528-7988, ext. 2249.

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### Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or more wedding anniversary in 2016? If you are, you are invited on Sunday, May 29, 2016, for a **Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Please refer to the poster at the Brant Street doors for registration by May 1, 2016.

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## IN OTHER PARISHES

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Give Mom or Grandma a special treat and make reservations for the **St. Raphael's English Tea Party** on Saturday, May 7. Two sittings - 1 to 2:25 p.m. or 3 to 4:15 p.m. Admission \$8/adults, \$4/children (5-12). Kids can make a free corsage as a gift. Enjoy tea, sandwiches, goodies, raffle tables. Contact Charlie at 905-681-6221 or [bcarpenter2@cogeco.ca](mailto:bcarpenter2@cogeco.ca).

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## IN THE COMMUNITY

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**The Cross of Victory Pilgrimage** takes place from Saturday, August 6 to Saturday August 13. For information, search Cross of Victory Pilgrimage 2016 with your favourite search engine. The All-You-Can-Eat Pasta Dinner is on May 14 at 6 p.m. in St. John's parish hall. Tickets \$12 at church doors Apr. 23/24.

**Vocation View** - If you feel that God may be calling you to the priesthood or religious life, speak to the pastor or contact Rev. Wojciech Kuzma, Vocation Director, at 905-528-7988 x 2246 or by email at [wkuzma@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:wkuzma@hamiltondiocese.com).



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