ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH (FOUNDED IN 1849) 2016 Blairholm Avenue, Burlington, On. L7R 1V4

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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
 Closed

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

Tuesday6:15 - 6:45 p.m.Saturday11:30 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 take a baptism package from the tables in the church entrances.

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

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



Mass Intentions

"If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her."

- John 8:7-8

Monday April 8 Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-64++; John 8:12-20 - No Mass **Tuesday April 9** Numbers 21:4-9, John 8:21-30 7 PM – Rose Giancola Wednesday April 10 Daniel 3:13-20, 24, 49-50, 91-95++; John 8:31-42 9 AM – Intentions of the Murphy Family Thursday April 11 Genesis 17:3-9; John 8:51-59 9 AM – Jim Woodcroft Friday April 12 Jeremiah 20:7, 10-13++; John 10:31-42 9 AM – Deceased members of the Whelton Family 7 PM – Stations of the Cross Saturday April 13 Ezekiel 37:21-28; John 11:45-57 5 PM – Donna Halyk Sunday April 14 - Palm Sunday Isaiah 50:4-7; Philippians 2:6-11; Luke 22:14 - 23:56 9 AM - Pro Populo (for the parishioners) 11 AM – John Mascarenhas



Our Parish

Monday April 8 Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR CWL Meeting/Fashion Show - 7 PM - Hall **Tuesday April 9** CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall Wednesday April 10 Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR Women's AA Group – 6:15 PM – Hall Thursday April 11 Cenacle Group – 9:30 AM – WR Christian Meditation – 1 PM – WR Choir Practice - 7 PM - Church Friday April 12 AA Meeting - 9 PM - Hall Sunday April 14 Baptism – 12:30 PM – WR



Easter Confession Schedule:

Wednesday, April 17:	11 a.m. to 12 noon
Thursday, April 18:	10 a.m. to 12 noon
Friday, April 19:	10 a.m. to 12 noon
Saturday, April 20:	11 a.m. to 12 noon

Easter Mass Schedule:

Palm Sunday Masses:
Saturday, April 13: 5 p.m.
Sunday, April 14: 9 & 11 a.m.
Chrism Mass (at Christ the King Cathedral Basilica):
Monday, April 15: 7 p.m.
Mass of the Lord's Supper:
Thursday, April 18: 8 p.m.
Good Friday:
April 19: Liturgy at 3 p.m.
Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass:
Saturday, April 20: 8 p.m.
Easter Sunday Masses:
Sunday, April 21: 9 & 11 a.m.

Morning Prayer will take place on Good Friday at 9 a.m. and again on Holy Saturday at 9 a.m. Also on Holy Saturday, join us for the **Blessing of the Easter Foods** at 10 a.m.

CWL Message

Along with our many other acts of service, the CWL is contributing monetary assistance to World Day of Prayer, St. Luke's Community Lunch, the Lenten Retreat, a bursary for an Assumption graduate and fees for some infirm members. We appreciate your support of our good works.

Formed Presents: Catholic Heroes of the Faith: The Animated Story of Saint Augustine. Bright, young Augustine thinks his mother's religion is foolishness. Convinced that his superior intellect will guide him, he sneaks away from home and ventures to a new life in Rome. With his devout mother and the unwavering Bishop Ambrose on one side and the empire's loyal soldiers on the other, Augustine must choose whom he will serve. Find this video presentation on our St John the Baptist page on FORMED.org in the "Community" tab. Please email your parish FORMED team at: stjohnsformed@gmail.com with questions.



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St. John's Talent Show

The St. John's Men's Group will be hosting the **Annual Talent Show** on May 4 in the parish hall right after the 5 p.m. Mass. If you can sing, tell jokes, play an instrument of have some other special talent, this is your opportunity to shine. Phone Tim O'Brien at 905-632-2954 to get in on the act. All Acts must be confirmed by April 26. A pizza supper will be provided free of charge. See you on stage!

Children's Liturgy is looking for grade 7/8 students to help approximately 1 time per month. Contact Anne Marie at <u>childrensliturgystjohns@gmail.com</u> or phone 905-317-3539.

Share Lent: Create a Culture of Encounter

Since the war broke out in Syria in 2011, some 12.5 million Syrians have had to flee their homes. D&P partner, House of Peace (HOPe), is working to build bridges between Syrian refugees and their host communities in Lebanon. On this Solidarity Sunday, we extend warm thanks for your generosity. Your donations help our sisters and brothers from Colombia to Lebanon, Nigeria and elsewhere. You may also donate online at <u>devp.org/give</u>.

St. John's Yard Sale!!

It's time for the Yard Sale – Saturday, May 25 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (rain date June 1). If you are cleaning out your closets, bring saleable items to the parish hall Tuesday to Thursday mornings (please deliver at these times only and not to the parish office). If you have lots of stuff and want to have your own sale, we'll advertise and bring in the crowds – you just need to set up your own spot (cost \$25/space and table). The Knights of Columbus will host a BBQ so make a day of it browsing, eating and chatting with friends and neighbours. As always, volunteers are needed! For details (volunteer, reserve space, questions) contact Peggy at 289-260-8336 (phone or text) or email her at blackpeg133@hotmail.com.

Parish Bowling Day!

Stay tuned for an update on the St. John's Parish Bowling Day event coming up on May 26 at 2 p.m. Families and individuals of all ages are welcome. More news to come!!!

IN THE DIOCESE

Catechetical Correspondence Program

Programs are available for children not receiving religious instruction in their school. The programs provide the necessary preparation for the sacraments. Families work through the programs at home. You may register online at <u>www.hamiltondiocese.com</u> or phone Monica Verin at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238.

The Confirmation celebration usually takes place at St. John's in the month of November. It is recommended that you begin the Catechetical Correspondence Program early enough to complete the preparation before fall arrives.

Lenten Penitential Service

Come to Holy Rosary, 287 Plains Rd. E., to celebrate God's mercy in the sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday, April 10 at 7 p.m. Five priests will be available to hear confessions and Fr. Bill Trusz will deliver a homily. All are welcome to join us.

IN OTHER PARISHES

2020 Pilgrimage to the Passion Play in Oberammergau, Germany – Every decade since 1634 the Bavarian village of Oberammergau has staged a Passion Play in response to a vow made to God for protecting the village from the plague. In the summer of 2020, the village will once again host the Passion Play. Join Fr. Ed. Henhoeffer from May 15-26, 2020 on this once in a lifetime pilgrimage. Also included will be Prague, Vienna, Salzburg and Munich. Attend the information meeting at St. Paul's on Tuesday, April 30 after the 7 p.m. Mass.

IN THE COMMUNITY

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

March 6 - April 14 (8am - 8pm vigil hours) Save lives and join the peaceful prayer vigil. Choose an hour and pray as a family this Lent. The location is near the Oakville-Trafalgar Hospital (vigil site: Proudfoot Trail & Dundas St.). Go to <u>40daysforlife.com/oakville</u> to register. The c<u>ontact</u> email address is <u>40daysforlife.oakville@gmail.com</u>.

