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

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions "Lord, help me."

- Matthew 15:25

Monday August 21 – St. Pius X Judges 2:11-19; Matthew 19:16-22 - No Mass Tuesday August 22 – Queenship of the Virgin Mary Judges 6:11-24a; Matthew 19:23-30 7 PM – Intentions of Lucia Lopes Wednesday August 23 Judges 9:6-15; Matthew 20:1-16a 9 AM - Intentions of Claire Pearce Thursday August 24 - St. Bartholomew Revelation 21:9b-14; John 1:45-51 9 AM – George Fitzgerald Friday August 25 Ruth 1:1-2ab, 3-6, 14b-16, 22+; Matthew 22:34-40 9 AM – Robert Garnich Saturdav August 26 Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Matthew 23:1-12 5 PM – Frank Huyge Sunday August 27 – 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Isaiah 22:15, 19-23; Romans 11:33-36; Matthew 16:13-20 9 AM – Pro Populo 11 AM – Kathleen McDonagh

Our Parish

Monday August 21 Emotions Anonymous Meeting - 7 PM - WR Tuesday August 22 CWL Craft Group - 10 AM - Hall Wednesday August 23 Legion of Mary - 9:30 AM - WR Women's AA - 6:15 PM - Hall Thursday August 24 Cenacle Group - 9:30 AM - WR Christian Meditation – 1 PM – WR Friday August 25 AA Meeting - 9 PM - Hall



C.W.L. Message

There are many sayings about change and the difference even one person can make. We, the encourage Executive. your presence and participation to be that one person who can enhance our CWL here at St. John the Baptist parish.

The Craft Group continues to meet during the summer at 10 a.m. in the Warren Room where smiles, friendship, support and conversation are always in abundance. Please join them.

THANK YOU for your donations to the Baby Bottle Campaign. These contributions help to create a home-like environment for young women and their babies at Shifra Home, a Christ-centered maternity residence, and provide them with pregnancy counseling and support services during their pregnancy, childbirth and after the birth of their baby. Reminder: kindly return all baby bottles as soon as possible. Thank you.

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin beginning in November. Advertising on the back of our church bulletin is what sustains the bulletin service. Please support our bulletin and advertise your product, organization or service by phoning Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

New Altar Servers

This notice is for any students in grade 4 and up attending public schools or Catholic elementary schools who are interested in becoming Altar Servers. Please speak to Father Bob and pick up an application form from him in the priest's sacristy at the weekend Masses.

RCIA - Welcoming New Catholics

Have you been quietly considering becoming a Catholic? Do you identify with this community of faith but have not been able to participate fully in the sacramental life of the church? This is an invitation to find out more about what's involved. Please phone the office and ask about the RCIA program that begins in the fall.

IN THE DIOCESE

FOUNDATIONS FOR MINISTRY PROGRAM

The "Foundations for Ministry" Program is a course designed to offer lay Catholics the opportunity to learn more about the foundations of our faith: This foundation is useful to parishioners who serve in a variety of ministries. The course will be offered in Hamilton starting Thursday, September 14. Contact Monica at the Discipleship & Parish Life Office at 905-528-7988, x 2238 or check out our website at www.hamiltondiocese.com for more information and registration forms.

Paths to Prayer - This 6-part Senior Adult Workshop Series is being held on Tuesdays starting September 19, from 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. at the Chancery Office. Each session will include discussion, reflection and faith sharing and will be facilitated by Sister Mary Heather MacKinnon SSND. The cost of \$35 includes the text, *Paths to Prayer*. Please register by September 5. For more information, email Monica at <u>mverin@hamiltondiocese.com</u> or phone 905-528-7988, ext. 2238.

Fostering Faith through Grandparents

Join us for a special celebration on Saturday, September 9 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Basilica of Our Lady Parish in Guelph (28 Norfolk St.). Attend Mass at 9:30 a.m., followed by refreshments. David Dayler and Anne Jamieson of the Diocese of Hamilton will speak on the importance of faith for our sake and the sake of generations to come. No charge. RSVPs are appreciated. Contact Monica at 905-528-7988 ext. 2238 or <u>mverin@hamiltondiocese.com</u>.

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION FOR CHILDREN

Programs are available for children from Kindergarten through high school who are not currently receiving religious instruction (i.e. in a public or private, not Catholic school). These instructions will prepare your child for the reception of the sacraments of Reconciliation, 1st Communion and Confirmation. For information and registration forms, phone 905-528-7988, ext. 2238.

Project Rachel

Healing after an abortion is possible. At Project Rachel, caring hearts are available to help you deal with the difficult feelings that may follow an abortion. We offer a *confidential* service allowing people to work through their feelings and find hope and healing. Please phone (905) 526-1999.

IN THE SCHOOL

Advanced Student Registration

Advanced registration for the 2017/2018 school year has been set for the week of August 28 to September 1. Parents are asked to contact the school directly for information on office hours. Elementary students registering for the first time in Halton Catholic District Schools are required to produce a proof of age, updated immunization records and a Roman or Eastern Rite Catholic Baptismal certificate. See below:

If you have lost the original and need a replacement Catholic Baptismal Certificate for your child (<u>or</u> for a parent), contact the church of baptism ASAP. Please note, requests for replacements are handled on a firstcome, first-served basis and certificates may take a number of days to be produced, signed and sealed. We appreciate your patience.

IN THE COMMUNITY

ADOPTION INFORMATION NIGHT

Have you considered adoption? Would you like to be part of a child's story? Come to an Adoption Information Night with the Catholic Children's Aid Society of Hamilton on Wednesday, September 20 from 7-9 p.m. at 735 King St. E. in Hamilton. To register, phone Jocelyn at 905-525-2012, ext. 3125 or email her at jocelyn.jacobs@hamiltonccas.on.ca. The website is <u>www.hamiltonccas.on.ca</u>.

Vocations - *If* you feel you are being called to the priesthood, consecrated life or the diaconate, contact Rev. Michael King, Vocation Director, by phone at 905-528-7988 x 2246, or email Father King at <u>mking@hamiltondiocese.com</u> or visit the Diocesan website at <u>www.vocationinfo.ca</u>.

