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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

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 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](http://www.vocationinfo.ca)

## VOLUNTEERING FOR A MINISTRY

Email [sjtbvolunteer@gmail.com](mailto:sjtbvolunteer@gmail.com) with your name, phone number and ministry you are interested in. The ministry leader will contact you.

## 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

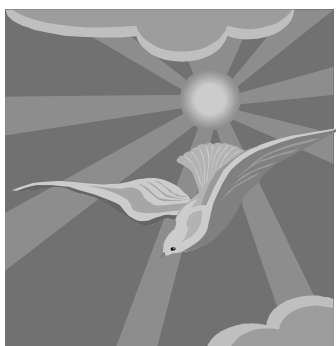
We invite you to take the time to complete a census form, located at all doors of the church. Please drop it into the collection basket.

## 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**

## BAPTISM OF THE LORD



# Mass Intentions

*"This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."*

- Matthew 3:17

### Monday January 13

I Samuel 1:1-8; Mark 1:14-20 – *No Mass*

### Tuesday January 14

I Samuel 1:9-20; Mark 1:21-28

7 PM – Sonny Felker

### Wednesday January 15

I Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20; Mark 1:29-39

9 AM – Gerald Lawrence

### Thursday January 16

I Samuel 4:1c-11; Mark 1:40-45

9 AM – Intentions of Frank & Isobel Flood

### Friday January 17 – *St. Anthony*

I Samuel 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mark 2:1-12

9 AM – Frank Majpruz

### Saturday January 18

I Samuel 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1a; Mark 2:13-17

5 PM – Lorraine Marshall

### Sunday January 19 – *2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Isaiah 49:3, 5-6; I Corinthians 1:1-3; John 1:29-34

9 AM – Pro Populo

11 AM – Jim McDonagh



## C.W.L. Message

Thank you for submitting your membership envelopes. We appreciate your completing the front of the renewal envelope in full as this is how we are able to identify you. Thank you for taking the time to do this. If paying your dues by cheque, please make your cheque payable to St. John's Catholic Women's League. Thank you again.

## WANTED

**The Society of St. Vincent de Paul** is in need of men and women to become involved with our Home Visit Program. Our St. John Conference has been actively helping people in our parish area and beyond for over five decades. However, we have reached a point where our membership has declined substantially and we find ourselves with fewer people to respond to the calls for help that we receive. If you are looking for a worthwhile, rewarding way to "pay back" by volunteering, this might be a perfect option for you. To find out more about us please visit the parish website at [www.stjohnthebaptist.ca](http://www.stjohnthebaptist.ca), email [stvatsj@gmail.com](mailto:stvatsj@gmail.com) or phone us at 905-979-6460. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a lay Catholic organization whose mission is *"To live the Gospel message by serving Christ in the poor with love, respect, justice and joy."*



## Our Parish

### Monday January 13

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

### Tuesday January 14

CWL Crafts – 10 AM – Hall

### Wednesday January 15

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA – 6:15 PM – Hall

### Thursday January 16

Cenacle Group – 9:30 AM – WR

Christian Meditation – 1 PM – WR

Choir Practice – 7:30 PM – Church

### Friday January 17

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall



# Congratulations

*We congratulate our long-time St. John parishioner, Mr. Josef Svoboda.*

*Josef is being awarded the distinguished*

## **Order of Canada.**

*Congratulations to Josef and his family!*

The **Children's Liturgy** (for children in **JK to Grade 4**) takes place throughout the school year during the 11 o'clock Mass. There is no need to pre-register. We are always looking for extra teachers or grade 7/8 students to volunteer. Our email is [childrensliturgystjohns@gmail.com](mailto:childrensliturgystjohns@gmail.com).



### Knights of Columbus Computer Refurbish Program

We are looking for donations of any old computers, laptops, iPads/tablets and cellphones. All monies collected from the donations will buy (winter) coats for kids. If you have anything to donate, please phone Mark Herod at 365-331-0003 or send an email to [recycle-tech@kofc5073.ca](mailto:recycle-tech@kofc5073.ca).

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## IN THE DIOCESE

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**Friday Night Support Group** for Persons Separated or Divorced. Would it help to have people around you who understand what you're going through? Would you like to hear some ideas that will encourage and help you to develop new ways of coping with the stresses in your life? The Hamilton Diocesan Support Group meets on the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month. No need to register and no cost. Phone 905-528-7988, ext. 2249 if information is needed, but you may just drop in between 7-9 p.m.

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

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**Catechetical Correspondence Courses** are available to prepare children not in Catholic schools for the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation. Families are encouraged to register early by visiting [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) or phoning Monica Verin at the Diocese of Hamilton, 905-528-7988, ext. 2238.

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Has separation or divorce caused you to feel upset, or like you are on a roller coaster? Would you like to minimize the impact on yourself and feel stronger? **Learning to Cope (Level 1)** is a ten-week support program offered in Hamilton starting Tuesday, March 24 from 7-9 p.m. at the Chancery Office, 700 King St. West. A newly written Level 2 program will be offered for the first time on the same evening (past participants are welcome) and Level 3 and 4 will run at the same time and location on Wednesday evenings. Contact the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2249. Come on your own or bring a friend and find your strength.

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## Retrouvaille

Retrouvaille is a program designed to help married couples that feel bored, frustrated or angry in their marriage. This program has helped countless couples experiencing marital difficulty. For information or to register for the program being offered on the weekend of March 13, phone 905-664-5211, send an email to [hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca](mailto:hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca).

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**Marriage Tip** – New Year's resolutions are often lofty goals that don't last too long after they are made, but even thinking about them reminds us that there is room for change. This year, skip the resolutions and plan for a specific change in your couple relationship: a date night once a month (weekly if that is realistic), holding hands on walks or while shopping, sharing a coffee before the kids wake up, finding one thing to thank your spouse for daily – look for moments to compliment. There are so many possibilities so take the time to do something. At the end of 2020, you will feel a renewed sense of connection and love.

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**Parenting Tip** – Colder days in January can mean more time indoors, a perfect time to connect as a family. Board games, movie night, baking or cooking a meal together – these are great ways to interact. Children need to feel they are valued and nothing speaks to their hearts more than time spent together.

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## IN THE COMMUNITY

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### **Christopher Leadership Courses**

The Christopher Leadership Courses in Effective Speaking can help if you need to improve your confidence and skill in public speaking. The next course begins Wednesday, January 29 at McMaster University in Hamilton. To register or for more information, please visit [www.clchamilton.com](http://www.clchamilton.com) or phone Frank at 905-662-4076.

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### **Vocation View**

Baptism is the starting point; union with God is our goal. How we serve others in between is our Vocation. If God is calling you to the priesthood or religious life, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director at the Diocese of Hamilton. Phone 905-528-7988 or email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com).



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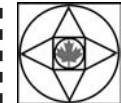
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