

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 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

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

CWL Message

The CWL Executive has been busy providing opportunities for our members to participate. We hope you will join us for one, some, or all of these events. On Friday, March 1, St. John is the host of "World Day of Prayer 2019," reflecting on Slovenia, 1:30 p.m. in the church, with a reception to follow. Your help is greatly appreciated. Monday, March 11 is our General Meeting (weather permitting) in the Church Hall, 7 p.m. On Tuesday, March 12 we hold our Lenten Retreat, 9 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. with Father Cialella. More details to follow. And on Monday, April 8 we host a Fashion Show sponsored by "JustBGauze." More details to follow.

FORMED Presents

Hope Undimmed – Session 2

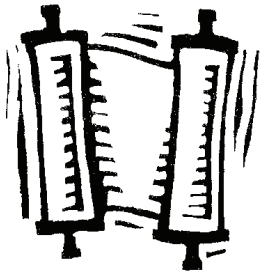
The HBO series, Sex and the City, launched a cultural revolution with its promise of sexual freedom. Many celebrate its enduring impact on American culture. Others aren't so sure. Hope Undimmed brings together an incredible panel to explore the promise of sexual freedom the reality of the body. (Parental guidance is suggested as some material may not be suitable for children.) Find this video presentation on our St. John the Baptist page on FORMED.org in the "Community" tab. If you have questions or concerns, please email your parish FORMED team at stjohnsformed@gmail.com.

St John's Parish invites you to **Take Your Parents to the Movies**. Come join your church for a viewing of the animated story of Joseph while enjoying pizza, popcorn and cold drinks on Sunday, February 10 right after the 11 o'clock Mass. Tickets are free but only 150 will be available the weekend of Feb 2 & 3 or by emailing stjohnsformed@gmail.com. A freewill offering to help cover the cost of food is welcome. Kids, don't forget your pillows and blankets.

The Pope's Prayer Intentions for February

✚ For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution and of violence.

The RCCO (Royal Canadian College of Organists), Hamilton Centre **Student Recital** will take place on Saturday, February 9 at 1 p.m. in St. John's church. There is no charge – if you wish you may donate a canned good to the Burlington Food Bank.



Mass Intentions

"...all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ."

- 1 Cor. 12:13

Monday January 28 – St. Thomas Aquinas

Hebrews 9:15, 24-28; Mark 3:22-30 – No Mass

Tuesday January 29

Hebrews 10:1-10; Mark 3:31-35

7 PM – Vicki Vancas

Wednesday January 30

Hebrews 10:11-18; Mark 4:1-20

9 AM – Matthew Brown

Thursday January 31 – St. John Bosco

Hebrews 10:19-25; Mark 4:21-25

9 AM – Deceased members of the Borraccetti Family

Friday February 1

Hebrews 10:32-39; Mark 4:26-34

9 AM – Intentions of Art & Therese Tessier

Saturday February 2 – Presentation of the Lord

Malachi 3:1-4; Luke 2:22-40

5 PM – Deceased members of the Rozenberg Family

Sunday February 3 – 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19; 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13; Luke 4:21-30

9 AM – Pro Populo (for the parishioners)

11 AM – Jeff Swan



Our Parish

Monday January 28

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday January 29

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

Wednesday January 30

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA Group – 6:15 PM – Hall

Thursday January 31

Cenacle Group – 9:30 AM – WR

Christian Meditation – 1 PM – WR

Choir Practice – 7 PM – Church

Friday February 1

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall

Sunday February 3

Baptism Preparation Meeting – 10 AM – WR





Jan Isaacs, Patrick Robillard

& Kristen Verrecchia

*received the sacrament of Baptism
on Sunday, January 20, 2019*

*Congratulations to their parents, Godparents
and family members*

Kindly pick up your 2019 envelopes as soon as you are able. Look for your envelopes alphabetically by surname and please check that your information is correct. **Tax receipts for 2018** will be put out in the church for pick up as soon as they have been prepared but if you cannot collect your receipt, don't worry – we will mail out any that are not picked up. Please be patient while they are being prepared during this busy year-end period.

IN THE DIOCESE

The Second Annual Bible Study will be observed in Hamilton Diocese on Sunday, February 3. The focus is “*Listening to God’s Word at Mass.*” Two special presentations on the Gospel of Luke will be offered by Fr. Michael Patella, O.S.B. This event will take place at St. Michael Parish, Waterloo from 2 to 3 p.m. and at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton from 7 to 8 p.m. Plan to attend one of these presentations which will outline what to listen for during this year of Luke.

LEARNING TO COPE (Level 1)

This is a ten-week support program for persons experiencing difficulties through a separation or divorce. The program begins Tuesday, March 19 (7 to 9:30 p.m.) at the Chancery Office, 700 King St. W., Hamilton. To register, please phone the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988, ext. 2249 or visit the website at www.hamiltondiocese.com. The cost: \$35. Already completed level 1, 2 or 3? Join the next level and continue the journey toward healing and connect with others.

Stress in Your Marriage?

Retrouaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated or angry in their marriage. This program has helped countless couples experiencing marital difficulty. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on March 15, send an email to hamiltonretrouaille1@cogeco.ca or phone 905-664-5212. The website is www.retrouaille.org.

Catechetical Correspondence Program

Programs are available for children from Kindergarten through to High School not receiving religious instruction. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children not in a Catholic school is also available. Families work through the programs at home. Please contact Monica Verin at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238. You may also register online at www.hamiltondiocese.com.

A new afternoon program for seniors starts Tuesday, January 29 at the Chancery Office. Sr. Mary Heather MacKinnon will lead you through 12 practices intended to give practical ways to deepen our relationship with God. Experience guided spiritual activities such as Lectio Divina, photography, walking, writing and more. The cost for this 7-session program is \$35 and includes the book. Space is limited so please register by January 25 with Monica at mverin@hamiltondiocese.com or phone 905-528-79088, ext. 2238.

Equip yourself with the tools to become a catalyst to build a strong culture of life in your parish. This event at St. Raphael’s parish is for women parishioners and is sponsored by the CWL and Halton Alive. The cost is \$5 with refreshments provided. Please RSVP by February 15. Email Tawnya Arsenault at cec@haltonalive.com.

This Lenten season **Development and Peace** and Pope Francis invite us to reach out and encounter migrants and refugees. Join us for a **SHARE LENT WORKSHOP** at one of these parishes:

Monday, February 11, St. Raphael's Parish Hall, 4072 New Street from 7-9 p.m. or Tuesday, February 19, Annunciation Parish Hall, 280 Limeridge Rd. W., Hamilton from 7-9 p.m.

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