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



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Mass Intentions

"Hosannah! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

- Mark 11:9

Monday March 26 Isaiah 42:1-7; John 12:1-11 - No Mass **Tuesday March 27** Isaiah 49:1-6; John 13:21-33, 36-38 7 PM – Veroslava Hanousek Wednesday March 28 Isaiah 50:4-9a: Matthew 26:14-26 9 AM – Beverley Toohey Thursday March 29 - Mass of the Lord's Supper Isaiah 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Revelation 1:4-8++; Luke 4:16-21 8 PM – Janet Gallant Fridav March 30 - Good Fridav 3 PM – Good Friday Liturgy Saturday March 31 - Easter Vigil 8 PM – Larry Kelterborn Sunday April 1 – Easter Sunday Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-18++ 9 AM – Maria Palombella 11 AM - Pro Populo



Our Parish

Monday March 26 Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR <u>Tuesday March 27</u> CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall <u>Wednesday March 28</u> Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR Women's AA Group – 6:15 PM – Hall <u>Thursday March 29</u> Cenacle Group – 9:30 AM – WR Christian Meditation – 1 PM – WR <u>Friday March 30</u> AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall

Easter Confession Schedule:

Tuesday, March 27:6:15 to 6:45 p.m.Wed., March 28:11 a.m. to 12 noonThurs., March 29:10 a.m. to 12 noonFriday, March 30:10 a.m. to 12 noonSaturday, March 31:11 a.m. to 12 noon

Easter Mass Schedule:

Chrism Mass (at Christ the King Cathedral Basilica): Monday, March 26: 7:00 p.m.
Mass of the Lord's Supper: Thursday, March 29: 8:00 p.m.
Good Friday: Friday, March 30: Liturgy at 3:00 p.m.
Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass: Saturday, March 31: 8:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday Masses: Sunday, April 1: 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

The parish office will be closed on Good Friday and Easter Monday.

CWL Message

Our members share your journey this Holy Week. "In this Holy Week, the Lord Jesus will renew the greatest gift we could possibly imagine. He will give us His Life, His Body and Blood." – Pope Francis.

Development & Peace - Caritas Canada thank you. Your overwhelmingly generous donations last weekend will help support the actions of our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East. If you have not yet had a chance to donate, please do so or give online at <u>devp.org/give</u>.

FORMED Presents: the Passion of Christ in Light of the Holy Shroud of Turin

The Holy Shroud of Turin was called the greatest relic in Christendom by Pope St. John Paul II. In fact the Shroud is the most studied scientific object in the entire world. Fr. Peffley presents new, detailed scientific and medical evidence for the authenticity of the Shroud. This presentation brings greater clarity to the depth of the agony of our Lord's sorrowful Passion, voluntarily taken on for love of us. Listen to this talk from the St. John the Baptist community page of FORMED by clicking on the "Community" tab.



The following children were baptized on Sunday, March 18, 2018:

Tristan Agaloos, Nadaelynn Ranger, Chaerilynn Ranger & Hugo Sychterz

Congratulations to their parents, Godparents and families.

Get Your Act Together

The St. John the Baptist Men's Group will once again be hosting the **Annual Talent Show** on Saturday, April 14 right after the 5 o'clock Mass. So if you can sing, dance, play a musical instrument or have some other special talent, this is your opportunity to shine. Please phone Tim O'Brien at 905-632-2954 to get in on the program. See you on stage!

IN THE DIOCESE

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2018? On Sunday, June 10, at 1:30 pm., you are invited to attend a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest). Details are available on the poster at the Brant Street entrance.

All are welcome to join His Excellency, Bishop Crosby at the annual **Diocesan Mass of Chrism** on Monday, March 26 at 7 p.m. in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton.

FROM THE CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

Families are reminded to kindly remove all wreaths on stands and other winter decorations from their lots by **April 1** to facilitate the spring clean up. Any wreaths or decorations remaining will be removed and discarded. For further information, phone 905-522-7727. **The Spring Memorial Mass** is on Saturday, April 7 at 11 a.m. at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Burlington. All are most welcome. Is your child preparing for First Reconciliation, First Communion or Confirmation this year? Visit <u>www.hamiltondiocese.com</u> and find information for parents under "Catechesis Office." We have videos with practical suggestions and helpful information for parents of children with special needs. We are here to help.

Healing after an abortion is possible. At **Project Rache**l, 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.

Grief Relief - Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life or wondering if these feelings are normal? Grief Relief is a six-week educational/support series dealing with grief. You are welcome on Tuesdays from April 10 to May 15, 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 or email <u>familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com</u>.

IN THE COMMUNITY

Looking for all Camp Brebeuf Alumni... visit the website at campbrebeuf.ca and share your camp story before midnight, April 15 to be entered to win a BBQ. For more details, phone 519-856-4671.

The Assumption Catholic Secondary School **Annual Trivia Night** will take place on Saturday, April 7 from 7 to 10 p.m. at the school. Cost is \$15/player with 6-8 players per team. All money raised will be donated to the Hamilton Naturalists' Club and the HCCE Foundation. For details and to register please email <u>assumptiontrivia@gmail.com</u>.

VOCATION VIEW - We are presented with two options in today's Mass: do we welcome Christ into Jerusalem or scream out to crucify Him? Our willingness to give testimony to Christ helps determine where we are. For information on the priesthood or religious life, contact Fr. King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation at the Diocese of Hamilton. Phone 905-528-7988, ext. 2246 or email mking@hamiltondiocese.com.

