

# 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](http://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

*Do not be afraid; from now on it is men you will catch."*

- Luke 5:10-11

## Monday March 4

Sirach 17:24-27, 29; Mark 10:17-27 – No Mass

## Tuesday March 5

Sirach 35:1-12; Mark 10:28-31

7 PM – Maria Schiavo

## Wednesday March 6 – Ash Wednesday

Joel 2:12-18; 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

9 AM – Intentions of Corina & Rob Thomas (*School Mass*)

7 PM – Mary Cardwell

## Thursday March 7

Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Luke 9:22-25

9 AM – James Weeks

## Friday March 8

Isaiah 58:1-9a; Matthew 9:14-15

9 AM – Piaedade Mascarenhas

## Saturday March 9

Isaiah 58:9b-14; Luke 5:27-32

5 PM – Dan MacInnis

## Sunday March 10 – First Sunday of Lent

Deuteronomy 26:4-10; Romans 10:8-13; Luke 4:1-13

9 AM – Pro Populo (for the parishioners)

11 AM – Dennis Webster



## Our Parish

### Monday March 4

Lenten Bible Study – 6:30 PM – Hall

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

### Tuesday March 5

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

Pancake Supper – 4-7 PM – Hall

### Wednesday March 6

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA Group – 6:15 PM – Hall

### Thursday March 7

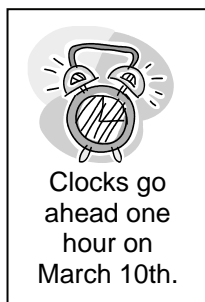
Cenacle Group – 9:30 AM – WR

Christian Meditation – 1 PM – WR

Choir Practice – 7 PM – Church

### Friday March 8

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall



## CWL Message

Our *CWL Lenten Day of Prayer* is on Tuesday, March 12, starting with Mass at 9 a.m. and concluding with Benediction at 2:15 p.m. Our facilitator will be Fr. Peter Ciallella. The cost is \$15 and includes lunch and refreshments. Registration forms are at the doors. Please register before March 10 and make any cheques payable to CWL. All women of the parish and beyond are invited. For more information, phone Marie at 905-637-1677.

**Thank you** to those who renewed their 2019 CWL membership. Welcome to new members. Those who have not yet paid the \$25 fee can put it in an envelope marked CWL (with your name, address and phone number) in the offertory basket - cheques payable to CWL. Weather permitting, our General Meeting will be held on Monday March 11, at 7 p.m. in the parish hall. Tickets (\$10) for the Fashion Show (April 8) can be purchased at this time.

## FORMED Presents

### Hope Undimmed – Session 7

In an uncertain world, many question the possibility of true happiness. Others believe that personal happiness is always within their grasp. Hope Undimmed brings together an incredible panel to answer the question, “What brings happiness?” with simple answers to a future filled with hope. (Parental guidance suggested – 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. Please email your parish FORMED team at [sjtformed@gmail.com](mailto:sjtformed@gmail.com) with any questions.

Interested in participating in a ministry at St. John's? We now have an e-mail address for **new volunteer inquiries**. Simply send an e-mail to [sjtvolunteer@gmail.com](mailto:sjtvolunteer@gmail.com) with your name and phone number and the ministry you are interested in. Your info will be forwarded to the appropriate ministry leaders who will contact you.



MARCH 3, 2019

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### **St. John's Lenten Bible Study and Faith Sharing Evenings**

We invite you to join your parish community as we embark on a journey to explore the meanings of the Eucharist and its profound role in the life of the Church. From 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Mondays, March 4-March 18 and April 1. Bring your friends and come, learn and share.

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### **Upcoming Events**

April brings attention to our Lenten practice with **Evening and Morning Prayers, Lenten Adoration and Benediction** and **Blessing of the Easter Foods!** Keep an eye on the parish bulletin for dates and times. And a **Parish Bowling Day** is taking place on May 26 at 2 p.m. – sure to be fun!!

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### **Pancake Supper!**

Come and join us on Shrove Tuesday (March 5) for a full pancake supper in the parish hall between 4 and 7 p.m. Freewill offering. Hosted by the Knights of Columbus 5073.

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**Children's Liturgy** is looking for anyone interested in volunteering as a teacher. All are welcome to join in the fun of learning and crafts. We are also looking for a couple of grade 7 or 8 students that would like to assist the teachers. Please consider and the commitment can be only once a month if preferred. Please contact Anne Marie at 905-317-3539 or at [childrensliturgystjohns@gmail.com](mailto:childrensliturgystjohns@gmail.com).

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## **IN THE DIOCESE**

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### **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](http://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.

### **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](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

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## **IN THE COMMUNITY**

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The Halton Catholic Children's Education Foundation (HCCEF) is currently seeking input from the community to help us evaluate our outreach strategy and guide our efforts moving forward through an online survey. Your feedback will assist HCCEF in reaching out and helping more HCDSB students and families in need. Please visit [www.hccef.org](http://www.hccef.org). Survey is available until Friday, March 8.

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Dear St. John the Baptist parishioners, we at **Halton Alive** are so grateful for the support you have given us through your collection for Respect Life Sunday. With your generous donations, we continue to educate and equip youth, families and Church communities on life issues such as unplanned pregnancies and abortion, always with compassion and love. Thank you for choosing to give to a life-affirming organization.

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### **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 [40daysforlife.com/oakville](http://40daysforlife.com/oakville) to register. The contact email address is [40daysforlife.oakville@gmail.com](mailto:40daysforlife.oakville@gmail.com).

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### **Cross of Victory Pilgrimage Pasta Dinner**

You are invited to a fundraising Pasta Dinner on Saturday, March 30 at 6 p.m. in St. John's parish hall. Tickets will be on sale after weekend Masses on March 9/10, 16/17 and 23/24 for \$12 (children under 10 - \$6). For more info phone Christl at 905-639-5949. The Walking Pilgrimage takes place in August. Participants pray for an end to abortion along the way.

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