

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

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT



Mass Intentions

"Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!"

- John 2:16

Monday March 5

2 Kings 5:1-15a; Luke 4:24-30 – No Mass

Tuesday March 6

Daniel 3:25, 34-43; Matthew 18:21-35

7 PM – Frank Huyge

Wednesday March 7

Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9; Matthew 5:17-19

9 AM – Pat O'Brien

Thursday March 8

Jeremiah 7:23-28; Luke 11:14-23

9 AM – Brian David

Friday March 9

Hosea 14:1-9; Mark 12:28b-34

9 AM – Victor Pires

7 PM – Stations of the Cross

Saturday March 10

Hosea 5:15b-6:6++; Luke 18:9-14

5 PM – Ken and David Ramey

Sunday March 11 – 4th Sunday of Lent

2 Chronicles 36:14-17a, 19-23++; Ephesians 2:4-10; John 3:14-21

9 AM – Pro Populo

11 AM – Kaye Clarke



CWL Message

Thank you to all the women who attended our Lenten Retreat and made it such a success! Thanks to Father Peter Ciallella for his inspirational insights and also to Marie Arponen and Dolene Vanderlelie for their hard work and to all who helped. We appreciated the chance to attend Mass and Benediction and to have the sacrament of Reconciliation. So, thanks again all.

Weather permitting, please join us for our **General Meeting** on Monday, March 12 at 7 p.m. in the hall.

SHARE LENT

In Nigeria, forced evictions are carried out violently; without consulting, without warning, compensation or providing alternative housing. Thanks to your support, the Social & Economic Rights Action Centre, a D&P partner, can train community leaders who then work with some of the most marginalized communities to engage in effective dialogue with the government. This year, you are invited to join the D&P monthly giving program, "Share Year-Round." You will find brochures about this program at the church entrances.

A Lent to Remember Session 3: Embraced in Mercy: the Rite Explained

Whether you go to confession regularly or a decade ago, this session guides you step-by-step through the deeper meaning of every aspect of the Rite – what it is, why we do it, and how it impacts your life. Join us on Thursday, March 8 for our third and final Lenten Encounter with Mercy series. Come to either the 2-4 p.m. or 7-9 p.m. session in the parish hall.

Children in JK – Grade 4, are invited to join in the parish's **Children's Liturgy** program which takes place on Sundays at the 11 a.m. Mass. Phone Anne Marie at 905-317-3539 or send an email to childrensliturgystjohns@gmail.com to register or for information.

The **Youth Choir** resumes March 4 for Sunday practices at 10:30 a.m. in the Warren Room. New members are welcome. Visit Leslie Polci, Music Director, in the loft after Mass.



Our Parish

Monday March 5

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday March 6

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

Wednesday March 7

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA Group – 6:15 PM – Hall

Thursday March 8

Cenacle Group – 9:30 AM – WR

Christian Meditation – 1 PM – WR

Lenten Session 3 – 2-4 PM/7-9 PM – Parish Hall

Choir Practice – 7 PM – Church

Friday March 9

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall

Sunday March 11

Youth Choir practice – 10:30 AM – WR



Remember!
Clocks go
ahead one
hour on
March 11th.

We pray the rosary approximately one half hour before the start of each weekday Mass. All are welcome.

Reminder

Stations of the Cross are on Friday evenings at 7 p.m.

MARCH 4, 2018

ST. JOHN'S TALENT SHOW

The St. John the Baptist Men's Group is once again hosting our **Annual Talent Show** right after the 5 p.m. Mass on Saturday, April 14. If you sing, dance, play a musical instrument or have any other special talent, please phone Tim O'Brien at 905-632-2954.



Baptisms

Welcomed into our parish community through Baptism on Sunday, February 18, 2018:

Bryce Bender and Kevin Bender

Congratulations to their parents, Godparents and family.

Welcome!

This weekend, we welcome Deacon Philip Allard who will speak about **Chalice**, a Canadian Catholic sponsorship program. He will explain how you can help a destitute child at one of 56 mission sites in 15 developing countries. www.chalice.ca.

The Knights of Columbus Council 5073 invite you to a **\$5 Spaghetti Dinner** on Sunday, March 4 at their Hall, 2400 Industrial St., Burlington. We are pleased to support St. Paul's parishioner, 10-year old Ayden Soares to raise funds for Childhood Arthritis. Seatings are at 4 and 6 p.m. Tickets available at the doors. For info, visit www.teamayden.com.

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.

Is your child preparing for First Reconciliation, First Communion or Confirmation this year? Visit www.hamiltondiocese.com 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're here to help.

The married singles lifestyle describes couples that may have lost a sense of closeness they once had as marriage partners and now are living like roommates. Retrouvaille teaches couples how to survive times like these. For confidential information about the program or to register for the weekend starting March 16, please phone 905-664-5212 or visit www.retrouvaille.org.

IN OTHER PARISHES

St. Paul the Apostle's ministry to the needy will be having a fundraiser dinner on Saturday, March 17 following the 5 p.m. Mass. Enjoy a family style dinner as well as music and guest speaker from Canadian Food for Children. Tickets are \$15/adults, \$7/children under 12 and \$40/family of 2 adults, 2 children. Phone Trudy for more info, 905-336-5343. St. Paul's is located at 2265 Headon Rd.

IN THE COMMUNITY

40 Days for Life 2018

The 40 Days for Life campaign of prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil and community outreach is taking place February 14 to March 25. We pray at Proudfoot Trail and Dundas in Oakville. Please come to one of our group vigils on Saturday mornings at 10-11 a.m. For more information, visit 40daysforlife.com/oakville or phone Steve Germann at 905-333-6472.

VOCATION VIEW

In the crucifixion, we find strength. In the Cross is our triumph. Rest in his mercy and proclaim him in all that you say and do. 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.

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