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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**

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



### Masses For The Week

#### Monday May 7

Acts 16:11-15; John 15:26-16:4a – No Mass

#### Tuesday May 8

Acts 16:22-34; John 16:5-11

7 PM – Beverly Toohey

#### Wednesday May 9

Acts 17:15, 22 - 18:1; John 16:12-15

9 AM – Bruno Masini

#### Thursday May 10

Acts 18:1-8; John 16:16-20

9 AM – Mary Kavanagh

#### Friday May 11

Acts 18:9-18; John 16:20-23a

9 AM – Intentions of Mimma Reszitaryk

#### Saturday May 12

Acts 18:23-28; John 16:23b-28

5 PM – Brian & David Jordan

#### Sunday May 13 – *Ascension of the Lord*

Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23; Mark 16:15-20

9 AM – Lillian Jokinen

11 AM – Pro Populo

NOTICE:  
Due to a Clergy Retreat,  
there will be no Mass from  
Monday, May 21 through  
Friday, May 25 at St.  
John's Church.



### Our Parish

#### Monday May 7

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

#### Tuesday May 8

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

#### Wednesday May 9

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA Group – 6:15 PM – Hall

#### Thursday May 10

Cenacle Group – 9:30 AM – WR

Christian Meditation – 1 PM – WR

Choir Practice – 7 PM – Church

#### Friday May 11

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall

#### Saturday May 12

Pilgrimage Pasta Dinner – 6 PM – Hall



The parish office will be closed on Victoria Day Monday.

### CWL Message

The CWL of St. John's thanks Father Bob for his service to the Church. May God bless you abundantly in your parish ministry. The CWL of Canada calls us to "*12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care*," during the week of May 6-12. The prayer petitions will be read at the Mass on Tuesday, May 8 at 7 p.m.

### Get ready for St. John's First Ever YARD SALE!

Saturday, May 26: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. (rain date: June 2)  
That's right - St. John's has spring fever and is cleaning out the cupboards. You can get bargain prices for kitchen ware, jewellery, toys and more! If you have spring fever, but no place to hold your own sale, join St. John's. We'll advertise and bring in the crowds; you just need to set up your own spot. Cost is \$25/space (including table). Make a day of it; the Knights of Columbus will be hosting a barbeque in the park! For details (to volunteer, reserve space, any questions) contact Peggy at 289-260-8336 (call or text) or email [blackpeg133@hotmail.com](mailto:blackpeg133@hotmail.com).

### 40th Anniversary!

*All are welcome to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of Father Bob's Ordination to the Priesthood, taking place on Sunday, May 6th following the 11:00 a.m. Mass in the church hall. Refreshments will be served. Hope to see you there.*

### FORMED Presents: Our Beautiful End

We long for the beautiful. We grow frustrated when sunsets fade, children grow up and special moments pass. Will beauty be forever fleeting? Internationally known Catholic speaker, Matthew Leonard, expounds upon our experience of beauty and its powerful role in drawing us closer to our Creator and glorious home in Heaven. Find this audio presentation on our St. John the Baptist page on FORMED.org in the "Community" tab. Not registered on FORMED yet? Register for free using our parish code: RHTGK2.



Today is the collection for the **Pope's Pastoral Works**. This collection is passed on to the Holy Father for his use among those stricken by natural disasters. Please make all cheques payable to *St. John's Parish* and we will pass all donations on.

### **Welcoming New Catholics**

*Have you been quietly considering becoming a Catholic? Do you identify with this community of faith but have not been able to participate fully in the sacramental life of the church? This is an invitation to find out more about what's involved. Please phone the office and ask about the **RCIA** program that will begin in the fall.*

**The Knights of Columbus** will be distributing tiny 'roses' after each Mass on Mother's Day weekend. All donations are thankfully received and will be given to pro-life organizations to assist them in their work.

## **IN THE DIOCESE**

Did you know we celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in grade 7 in the Diocese of Hamilton? Confirmation preparation begins in the fall of each year. If your child does not attend a catholic school, Catechetical Correspondence courses are available. Phone Monica Verin at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238.

Healing after an abortion is possible. At **Project Rachel**, 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.

### **Support for Persons Separated or Divorced**

Would it help to have people around you to understand what you're going through? Would you like to hear some ideas that will encourage you and help to deal with the stresses you are experiencing? The Hamilton Diocesan Support Group meets on the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month (it's free) and they can help. No need to register; just come and join us at the Chancery Office, 700 King St. W., Hamilton from 7 to 9 p.m. For information, phone 905-528-7988, ext. 2249.

**Marriage is good for your health!** Take some time for your marriage relationship and spend a day learning about the *Seven Principles for Making Marriage Work*. The program will be facilitated by Mrs. Teresa Hartnett and Dr. Wendy Hofman on Saturday, May 12 from 10 to 4 p.m. at the Chancery Office, 700 King St. W., Hamilton. The cost is \$40 per couple and includes lunch. Register by phoning 905-528-7988, ext. 2249.

### **Christian Family Holiday Inc/Camp Kumuntome**

Are you looking for a fun, affordable summer vacation with your family? Come to Camp Kumuntome for a week of fun and renewal with 5 other Catholic families. The camp is located just south of Owen Sound on beautiful acreage with an outdoor chapel, sleeping cabins for each family, a beautiful, quiet lake and amenities of home. Register through [www.campkumuntome.ca](http://www.campkumuntome.ca).

**Justice Film Festival** – The Church teaches that social justice is an integral part of evangelization and an essential part of the Church's mission. Join us for the film: **Gold Fever**, on May 25 from 7 to 9 p.m. at St. Paul the Apostle Parish, 2265 Headon Rd., Burlington.

## **IN THE COMMUNITY**

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

**All you can eat Pasta Dinner**, Saturday, May 12 after the 5 p.m. Mass in St. John's parish hall. Funds raised support the pilgrims on their annual Walking Pilgrimage to the Martyr's Shrine in Midland. Tickets will be sold at the door - \$12/person and \$6 per child under 10.

### **March for Life Ottawa 2018**

Burlington Knights of Columbus have arranged transportation to Ottawa by coach bus. Join us on Thursday, May 10 beginning with Mass at 5:30 a.m. at St. Gabriel's Church. Board the bus at 6 a.m. to Ottawa for the 12:30 p.m. rally and 1:30 p.m. march. The bus will return to St. Gabriel's at approximately 10 p.m. Cost is \$35/person. Phone 416-559-4071 or email [ewart.harris@kofc.org](mailto:ewart.harris@kofc.org).



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