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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

VOLUNTEERING FOR A MINISTRY

Email sjtbvolunteer@gmail.com with your name, phone number and ministry you are interested in. The ministry leader will contact you.

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



Masses of the Week

"I shall be satisfied Lord, when I awake and behold your likeness."
- Psalm 17

Monday November 11 – *St. Martin of Tours*

Wisdom 1:1-7; Luke 17:1-6 – No Mass

Tuesday November 12 – *St. Josaphat*

Wisdom 2:23 - 3:9; Luke 17:7-10

7 PM – Santo Aristomo

Wednesday November 13

Wisdom 6:1-11; Luke 17:11-19

9 AM – Therese Tessier

Thursday November 14

Wisdom 7:22 - 8:1; Luke 17:20-25

9 AM – Antony O'Rourke

Friday November 15

Wisdom 13:1-9; Luke 17:26-37

9 AM – Intentions of Luba Kuzma

Saturday November 16

Wisdom 18:14-16, 19:6-9; Luke 18:1-8

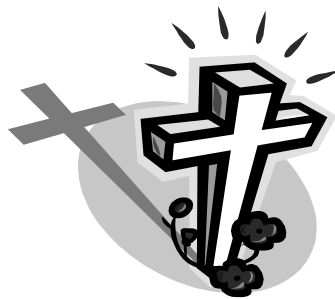
5 PM – Edward Rollinson

Sunday November 17 – *33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Malachi 4:1-2; 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12; Luke 21:5-19

9 AM – Pro Populo (for the parishioners)

11 AM – Deceased members of the Ryan Family



Our Parish

Monday November 11

CWL Meeting – 7 PM – Hall

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday November 12

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

Wednesday November 13

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA Group – 6:15 PM – Hall

Thursday November 14

Cenacle Group – 9:30 AM – WR

Christian Meditation – 1 PM – WR

Choir Practice – 7:15 PM – Church

Saturday November 16

Parish Bazaar – 9 AM to 3 PM – Hall

Sunday November 17

Parish Bazaar – after both Masses – Hall

C.W.L. Message

Our **General Meeting** is on Monday, November 11 at 7 p.m. in the church hall. Tickets (\$10) for our **Christmas Social** on December 9 at 6 p.m. will be available. The menu for the Social includes chicken, salads, dessert and beverages (and, of course, BINGO!!!). All women are welcome.

ST. JOHN'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Saturday, November 16 (9 a.m. - 3 p.m.)

Sunday, November 17 (after both Masses)

See you there!

Silent Auction, Bake Sale, Café, shopping!

*Note: Silent Auction, Café & vendors on Saturday only
Bake Sale, New & New-To-You, Christmas, Jewellery,
Books, Antiques & Collectibles on both days.*

We are looking for homemade goods for the Bake Room at the Bazaar. Please consider contributing homemade sweets and treats such as cookies, bars, tarts or loaves. Homemade jam, preserves and pies are welcome too! Anything homemade is gratefully accepted. Pick up a plate at the church doors and return it (or any other plate) full of your baked goods.

Thank you to our generous donors for their support:

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- *Pizza Nova (Brant)
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- *Smith's Funeral Home
- *Sotiris Shish Kebob
- *Spenser's At The Waterfront
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- *Within Range Golf

Thank you, as well, to our parishioners for their generosity.

**Join us for our 2019 Advent Bible Study
A Biblical Introduction to Mary**

This Advent season, prepare your hearts and minds for the coming of our Saviour by getting to know more closely the woman who brought him into the world at Christmas. Thursdays: November 21, 28 and December 5 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the parish hall. Drinks provided but snacks are Snack-Luck (pot-luck snacks). No pre-registration required. For more information, email stjohnsformed@gmail.com.

Please mark **Wednesday, December 4** on your calendar as our C.W.L. is hosting an **Advent Morning of Reflection**, facilitated by Father Bob Sims from 9 a.m. to noon. All women of the parish and beyond are invited to attend and bring a friend. Registration forms are at all the church doors. For more information, phone Marie at 905-637-1677.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is seeking men and women from the parish to help us with some of our programs. The opportunity comes about due to the retirement of a few members at the end of December. If you have recently retired and are looking for a worthwhile, rewarding way to “pay back” by volunteering, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul might be your perfect option for 2020. Our St. John Conference has been actively helping those in need for over five decades and our dedicated members continue to respond to calls for help. To find out more about us please visit www.stjohnthebaptist.ca, email us at stvatsj@gmail.com or phone us at 905-979-6460. *The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a lay Catholic organization whose mission is “To live the Gospel message by serving Christ in the poor with love, respect, justice and joy.”*

Traditional, aged Christmas Cakes, made by the monks of Val Notre-Dame Abbey will be available for sale at the Brant Street doors of the church on the weekends of November 23/24, November 30/December 1 and December 7/8 at all Masses.

Children’s Liturgy (for children in JK to Grade 4) takes place throughout the school year during the 11 o’clock Mass. There is no need to pre-register. We are always looking for extra teachers or grade 7/8 students to volunteer. For further information, email us at childrensliturgystjohns@gmail.com.

New Altar Servers

This notice is for any students in grade 4 and up attending public schools or Catholic elementary schools who are interested in becoming Altar Servers. Please speak to Fr. Bob and pick up an application form from him in the priest’s sacristy at weekend Masses.

We congratulate the young people who received the sacrament of Confirmation last Monday evening with Bishop Daniel Miehm. Confirmation builds on what was begun in Baptism and what was nourished in First Communion. It completes the process of initiation into the Christian community, and matures the soul for the work ahead. **Congratulations!**

IN THE DIOCESE

Visit the Relic of St. Francois de Laval

On the Feast of Christ the King – Sunday, November 24 – the relic of St. Francois de Laval (first Bishop of Quebec) will visit the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King for veneration. His Eminence, Gerald Cyprien Lacroix, Archbishop of Quebec, will preach at the Masses and preside and preach at the 11 a.m. Mass that morning. The Cathedral will be open for visits from 12 noon until 4 p.m. Mass that Sunday afternoon. All are welcome. For more information, visit www.ctkbasilica.ca.

Coping with the holidays when you have lost a loved one – join us for an afternoon of reflection and strategies for coping at Christmas. The session is being held at the Chancery Office, 700 King St. W. in Hamilton on Sunday, December 1 from 1:30 to 3 p.m. The event is free of charge but please phone to reserve a seat at 905-528-7988, ext. 2249.

IN THE COMMUNITY

CATHOLIC CHILDREN’S AID SOCIETY

Register to attend the *Fostering and Adoption Online Information Session (Webinar)* on Wednesday, November 20 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. For information, please contact the Foster and Adoption Recruitment Coordinator, Niamh O’Flaherty at 905-525-2273 or by email at niamh.oflaherty@hamiltonccas.on.ca.

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