## 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 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon

#### **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 contact the parish office to register for parent meeting for Baptism.

#### **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.



## Mass Intentions

Learn a lesson from the fig tree."

- Mark 13:28

Monday November 16

I Maccabees 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-64; Luke 18:35-43 - No Mass

<u>Tuesday November 17</u> – St. Elizabeth of Hungary

2 Maccabees 6:18-31; Luke 19:1-10

7 PM - Intentions of Eleanor Marshall

Wednesday November 18

2 Maccabees 7:1, 20-31; Luke 19:11-28

9 AM – Adam Lucas

Thursday November 19

I Maccabees 2:15-29; Luke 19:41-44

9 AM - Deceased members of the Lange family

Friday November 20

I Maccabees 4:36-27, 52-59; Luke 19:45-48

9 AM - Nassouri Sabbagh

<u>Saturday November 21</u> – Presentation of the Virgin Mary

I Maccabees 6:1-13; Luke 20:27-40

5 PM - Derek Darcy

Sunday November 22 - Christ the King

Daniel 7:13-14; Revelation 1:5-8; John 18:33b-37

9 AM – Louis & Mary Boinski

11 AM – Pro Populo



#### Our Parish

Monday November 16

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

**Tuesday November 17** 

CWL Craft Group - 10 AM - Hall

RCIA - 7:30 PM - WR

Wednesday November 18

Legion of Mary - 9:30 AM - WR

Women's AA - 6:15 PM - Hall

Thursday November 19

Cenacle Group – 9:30 AM – WR

Christian Meditation – 12:30 – WR Choir Practice – 7:30 PM – Church

Friday November 20

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall



#### C.W.L. Message

## Thanks!

We wish to thank everyone who helped to make the Christmas Bazaar the success that it was. Thank you very much to all the members who worked so hard and those who helped them and to everyone who donated items for all of the tables and for the Silent Auction. Thank you and thank you again!

**The General Meeting** is being held on Monday, November 16 at 7 p.m. in the parish hall.

The **C.W.L.** Advent Retreat is being held on Wednesday, December 9 with Father Allen as the facilitator. The day will begin with Mass at 9 a.m. followed by a presentation by Fr. Allen, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, an opportunity for Reconciliation and Benediction with closing at noon. Registration sheets are at the doors of the church. The suggested registration fee is \$10. All women are welcome – you do not have to be a C.W.L. member.

If any person or family in the parish is in need of assistance at Christmas, phone the **St. Vincent de Paul** at 905-979-6460. Be assured that any information you provide is kept confidential.

#### **Confirmation Mass**



On Wednesday evening, November 25, we welcome the Most Reverend Daniel Miehm, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop of Hamilton to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation at

the Mass at 7 p.m. Let us keep the young people about to be Confirmed in our prayers.

#### 2016 Mission Calendars

Catholic Missions calendars are available for sale for \$3 each at the church entrance near Brant Street for as long as the supply lasts. Please leave your payment in the brown and white literature envelopes.

#### **Sunday Missals Available**

You may now purchase a **Sunday Missal** – they are provided at the Brant Street entrance of the church. The cost will be \$3. Please leave your payment in the brown and white literature envelopes that are provided or place your payment into the coin boxes on the walls. Please do not leave your money in the boxes containing the Missals. Thank you.

#### TURKEY ROLL ALERT



**The Knights of Columbus Turkey Roll** will happen on
Friday, November 27, 2015 at the
Knights of Columbus Hall, 2400

Industrial Street (off Mountainside and Guelph Line). Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Roll begins at 7:30 p.m. Admission: FREE!

The Children's Choir needs more singers. Would you like to join us for Advent and Christmas Eve? We would love to have you – no experience necessary. Practices resume on November 15 at 10:30 a.m. in the Warren Room (downstairs in the hall). Please visit Leslie in the choir loft after Mass or check for notices on the choir loft door.

### IN THE DIOCESE

#### Healing Mass for Those Mourning the Loss of a Child

Losing a child is a painful and life-altering experience for parents, grandparents and other family members. This feeling of loss is often felt more profoundly during the Christmas season. A Diocesan Healing Mass, meant to bring hope to all those trying to cope with the loss of a child is planned at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King for Sunday, November 29 at 4 p.m. Anyone who has lost a child of any age from any cause, including still birth is invited to this Mass celebrated by Bishop Daniel Miehm. God is close to those who mourn. Come and experience His healing presence. Registration is preferred but not necessary. Please phone Lena at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249 or visit <a href="https://www.hamiltondiocese.com">www.hamiltondiocese.com</a>.

Helping people through times of serious illness, loss and grief is the focus of a special presentation by Dr. Bill Webster from Grief Journey and Andrea Warnick, RN, MA. All are welcome to attend at Michelangelo Events and Conference Centre, 1555 Upper Ottawa St., Hamilton from 7 to 9 p.m. on Monday, November 30. This event is sponsored by P.X. Dermody Funeral Home. For further info, email <a href="mailto:christina.walton@dermodys.com">christina.walton@dermodys.com</a> or phone 905-549-9955.

#### Coping with the Holidays When You Have Lost a Loved One

Join us for an afternoon of reflection and strategies for coping at Christmas, facilitated by a Grief Counselor. This event will be held at the Chancery Office, 700 King St. W., Hamilton, on Sunday, November 29 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Free of charge but please phone to reserve a seat at 905-528-7988, ext. 2249.

#### IN THE COMMUNITY

#### **An Evening of Coffee and Conversation**

Attend an Evening of Coffee and Conversation with Cam Johnson, author of Lost & Found, a story of Hope, Forgiveness and Redemption. Enjoy coffee, tea, desserts and fellowship in support of Birthright of Milton (providing services to all of Halton) on Thursday, November 19 from 7 to 9 p.m. at St. John the Baptist parish hall. Tickets are \$15 and may be purchased at 905-875-1245. A few are available at parish offices.

#### **Vocation View**

As Christians, our sole inheritance is Christ; everything else is temporal and fleeting. Let us rejoice in His calling, that we might have His strength in order to respond to the invitation to "Come! Follow me." For information on the priesthood or religious life, talk to the pastor or contact Rev. Wojciech Kuzma, Vocation Director at 905-528-7988, ext. 2246 or at <a href="wkuzma@hamiltondiocese.com">wkuzma@hamiltondiocese.com</a>.



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