

# 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

Monday no Mass Tuesday 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday 9:00 a.m. Thursday 9:00 a.m.  
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

Thursdays at 9:00 a.m.

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, FRIDAYS FOR 15 MINUTES AFTER 9 AM MASS  
FOLLOWED BY BENEDICTION**

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE <http://www.stjohnthebaptist.ca> for articles & photos of all parish activities.**

## BAPTISMS

Please contact the parish office. Baptisms are on the third Sunday of each month at 12:30 p.m.

## 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)

## VOLUNTEERING FOR A MINISTRY

To volunteer in ministry or activities, go to our website and complete a volunteering form through the "Help" tile on the homepage.

## 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 registration 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

*"...the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night."*

- 1Thessalonians 5:2

### Monday November 20

1 Maccabees 1:10-15; 41-43,54-57,62-63; Luke 18:35-43 – No Mass

### Tuesday November 21 - Presentation of the Virgin Mary

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

7 PM – Josef Suoboda

### Wednesday November 22 – St. Cecilia

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

9 AM – Mary Donnelly

### Thursday November 23

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

9 AM – Jim Galea

### Friday November 24 – St. Andrew & Companions

1 Maccabees 4:36-37; Luke 19:45-48

9 AM – Intentions of Ruth Robbins

### Saturday November 25

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

5 PM – Joseph Bajus

### Sunday November 26 – Christ the King

Ezekiel.. 34:11-12, 15-17; 1Cor. 15:20-26, 28 Mat. 25:31-46

9 AM – Pro Populo

11 AM – Albert and Joseph Yonan



## Our Parish

### Monday November 20

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

### Wednesday November 22

Women's AA Group – 6:15 PM – Hall

### Friday November 24

AA Meeting – 8 PM – Hall

### Saturday November 25

Altar Servers Training – 11 AM – Church



## CWL Announcement

Although St. John's CWL is "inactive" in 2024, if you wish to retain your years of service and have your voice counted nationally, you may continue with the \$40 fee payable to St. John's CWL or transfer to an active council. For transfer forms, contact Lori Skinner – 905-637-8165.

## ST. JOHN'S MISTLETOE MARKET

Come and join us for the **Mistletoe Market** on November 25, 9 a.m – 2 p.m. Enjoy a homemade breakfast, shop at our Vendor Markets and buy raffle tickets. You can pick up some tasty treats from our bake sale. Vendors interested in a table can contact Peggy Black at [stjohnsevents12@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnsevents12@gmail.com). Parish donations for our gift baskets would be appreciated. Contact Dina Knight at [dinaknight779@gmail.com](mailto:dinaknight779@gmail.com) or drop off at church sacristy after Mass. Baked goods can be dropped off on November 24 in the church hall. Volunteers can contact Lois Morrison-Huq at [stjohnsevents12@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnsevents12@gmail.com). Mark the date on the calendar! Please come out to support this event!

The **Mistletoe Market Bake Room** is inviting all St. John the Baptist bakers to put their aprons on. We need your cookies, squares, candy, pies, loaves, cakes and other sweet treats. Last year the Bake Room was so popular that we sold out by 12 p.m. Homemade baking can be dropped off on Friday November 24 from 9 a.m. – 8 p.m. Goodies can be plated or we can plate items upon drop off. We will also welcome baked donations on Saturday during the market. Please have them cut and plated so they are ready to go straight onto the tables. Thank you so much for your generosity.

The **Mistletoe Market** is looking for support from St. John the Baptist parishioners for the **Basket Raffle**. Themed baskets will be on display and filled with a variety of different and unique treasures! Donations of already made baskets, gift cards/certificates or new single items for baskets can be dropped off in the church sacristy, calling the church office or by emailing [dinaknight779@gmail.com](mailto:dinaknight779@gmail.com). Thank you very much for your continued support & generosity. We hope to have another successful event at St. John the Baptist Parish.

Our **"Toonie collection"** so far totals **\$5,818** and is growing. *Thank you so much for taking part!*



### New Altar Servers

We welcome all students in grade 3 and up (attending public schools or Catholic elementary schools) who have already received their First Holy Communion and are interested in becoming Altar Servers. There will be a training session on Saturday, November 25 at 11:00 am in the Church. All are welcome.

## IN THE DIOCESE

Development & Peace Fall Campaign - **Create Hope: Stand for the Land.** The campaign aims to collect 32,000 signatures by February 25, 2024. On behalf of all those struggling to preserve their land, their water, their culture and their lives, development and peace – Caritas Canada thanks you for your continued commitment. ***There are petition sheets at all doors for you to sign.*** Together, we are building a world of justice. For information, visit [devp.org/campaign](http://devp.org/campaign).

**Catechetical Correspondence Courses** - Programs are available for children from Kindergarten through high school who are not currently receiving religious instruction (i.e. in a public or private, not Catholic school). ***There is need of volunteers to support the demand.*** If you are willing to accompany these children in their learning journey, please reach out to the Catechesis Office in the Diocese of Hamilton by email at [catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com).

**Grief Relief** - Has someone you cared about died? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with this loss? You are not alone! The Diocese of Hamilton has grief programs to help. Find out more on the Diocese of Hamilton's website at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) or phone Teresa at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250. We have programs starting January 17, 2024 at the Chancery Office.

**Coping with the Holidays** – Join us for an afternoon of reflection and strategies on coping at Christmas after the loss of a loved one. We gather at the Diocesan Chancery Office, 700 King St. W., on Sunday, December 3 from 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. Join in person or by a Zoom link. Free of charge. Contact (905) 528-7988, ext. 2249 to reserve or obtain the Zoom link.

### St. Vincent de Paul 7th World Day of the Poor

This year your generous donations have helped us to assist 170 families, up from 126 last year. This includes 148 children. We also bag and deliver bread donated by Cobs Bread every week. In addition, we coordinated with the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Women's League to collect food for the Burlington Food Bank. Next weekend we will be holding another **Food Drive** and hope that you will be able to participate to help our neighbours in need. If you require assistance please call 905-979-6460.

### Children's Liturgy Announcements

We would like to invite all children JK- Grade 4 to join us during the 11:00 a.m Mass to celebrate the gospel, crafts and activities related to the gospel. All family members or parish members are invited to join the teachers as volunteers. Please reach out if you are interested in joining as a teacher, even on a monthly or occasional basis. All are welcome. Please watch for further information on our yearly participation in the Christmas Eve gospel. Any questions or further information please contact Anne Marie Battenam at 905-317-3539 or e-mail her at [stjohnschildrensliturgy@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnschildrensliturgy@gmail.com).

**XXXVIII World Youth Day 2023** is celebrated on the Feast of Christ the King each year. This year's theme is "Rejoicing in Hope."

## IN THE COMMUNITY

St. Paul the Apostle Parish will be holding an **Advent Morning Retreat** at on Saturday November 25, 2023, 9:30 a.m to 12:00 p.m. During the Advent season, we are invited to recall the past, awaken to the present and anticipate the future. Join them for this morning retreat as we explore how we can deepen our Advent experience of "waiting" for the coming of our Savior. David Dayler, Diocesan Retreat Leader, will lead us through prayer, music and reflection as we explore this beautiful season of preparation; preparation not of our homes and gifts, but preparation of our heart for the beauty of the Incarnation.





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