

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

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



Mass Intentions

"The Father has rescued us from the power of darkness..."

- Colossians 1:13

Monday November 25

Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20; Luke 21:1-4 – No Mass

Tuesday November 26

Daniel 2:3, 9a, 10a, 27a, 31-45+; Luke 21:5-11

7 PM – John Duffy

Wednesday November 27

Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Luke 21:12-19

9 AM – Intentions of Pat McFarlane

Thursday November 28

Daniel 6:11-28; Luke 21:20-28

9 AM – Ted Lontkowski

Friday November 29

Daniel 7:1-14+; Luke 21:29-33

9 AM – Dan Savelli

Saturday November 30 – St. Andrew

Romans 10:9-18; Matthew 4:18-22

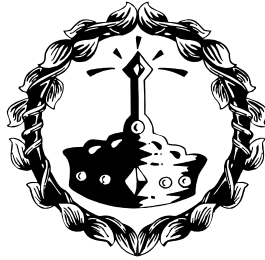
5 PM – Joseph Bajus

Sunday December 1 – 1st Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 2:1-5; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:37-44

9 AM – Pro Populo (for the parishioners)

11 AM – Ernest Niemiec



Our Parish

Monday November 25

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday November 26

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

Wednesday November 26

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA Group – 6:15 PM – Hall

Thursday November 27

Cenacle Group – 9:30 AM – WR

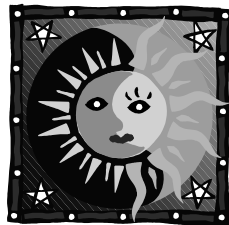
Christian Meditation – 1 PM – WR

Advent Bible Study – 6:30 PM – Hall

Choir Practice – 7:15 PM – Church

Friday November 28

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall



C.W.L. Messages

Please arrange for your tickets for our **Christmas Social** on December 9 at 6 p.m. by phoning Lori (905-637-8165) or Dolene (905-634-8611). Tickets will not be available at the door. Our focus this year is on women and a box labeled "Good Shepherd Women's Shelter" is located at the Brant Street door this weekend to collect items such as body wash, shampoo, peanut-free snacks, diapers deodorant, hygiene products, etc. Thank you for your support.

CWL Advent Morning of Reflection

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.

ST. JOHN'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

The parish Christmas Bazaar was a huge success. The community came together to enjoy shopping, food and fellowship. We received many compliments about our volunteers, especially their teamwork and friendliness. In addition to the community spirit, the Bazaar was also a financial success, bringing in almost \$12,000 which will be used to purchase new liturgical items (banner & vestments), remodel and improve the children's room and front foyer of the church and provide donations to the National Catholic Broadcasting Televised Mass, the Good Shepherd Centre and the Catholic Women's League to support their good works. Photos from the day can be found at <http://www.stjohnthebaptist.ca/gallery/>.

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.



W.R.A.P. (White Ribbons Against Pornography)

Research shows how devastating and addictive exposure to pornography is. Porn steals innocence, destroys relationships, leads to violence, abuse, abortion and fuels human trafficking. Porn is often misleadingly defined as fun or fantasy when in reality it is a predatory billion dollar industry designed to attract increasingly younger viewers. In order to raise awareness and to protect children, please take part and pray, wear a white ribbon, pick up info and sign a letter at the church doors.

WANTED

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is in need of men and women to become involved with our Home Visit Program. Our St. John Conference has been actively helping people in our parish area and beyond for over five decades. However, we have reached a point where our membership has declined substantially and we find ourselves with fewer people to respond to the calls for help that we receive. If you are looking for a worthwhile, rewarding way to “pay back” by volunteering, this might be a perfect option for you. To find out more about us please visit the parish website at www.stjohnthebaptist.ca, email 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.*”

The Children’s Liturgy Family Celebration will be held on December 8 after the 11 a.m. Mass in the parish hall. Join us for refreshments and Christmas crafts. All families are welcome.

Also, the children will be participating this year in the Gospel on Christmas Eve at the 5 p.m. Mass. Please email us at childrensliturgystjohns@gmail.com or phone Anne Marie at 905-317-3539 if you would like your child to join in.

Chalice invites you to share the blessing of Christmas with children in the developing world. A **Christmas Gift Catalogue** allows you to purchase a gift for someone in need, in honour of a friend or loved one. A beautiful handwritten card will be sent to the recipient, telling them of the gift. Please look for the gift catalogues at the church doors. Also, any gift purchased from the catalogue is tax receipted.

Cross of Victory Pilgrimage 2020
All You Can Eat Pasta Fundraiser Dinner
Saturday, December 7 after the 5 p.m. Mass
in St. John’s parish hall.

Come and eat heartily and support future pilgrims, enjoy fellowship and learn more about this annual walking pilgrimage to the Martyr’s Shrine in Midland, Ontario. Tickets will be on sale at the door for \$12/person or \$6/children under 10 years. Also, look for tickets on sale after Mass at the Brant Street doors of the church up until December 1.

New Sunday Missals are available for sale at the church doors at a cost of \$3 each if you wish to purchase one (while the supply lasts).

2020 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.

IN THE DIOCESE

Day of Prayer

Attend a Day of Prayer at St. Catherine of Siena (Corpus Christi Site) on Friday, December 13, 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. (Mass time is 9 a.m.) Bring a bag lunch - tea and coffee on arrival. To register, please phone 905-388-3966 or email ssspertshire@sympatico.ca.

Healing Mass for those who have lost a child

Have you experienced the death of a child at any time in your life, including before birth or a still birth? Come to the Healing Mass for those mourning the loss of a child – the Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, December 1 at 4 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. The Mass is intended for parents, grandparents and other family members who have been impacted by such a loss. Registration will allow us to know how many spaces to reserve but is not absolutely necessary. To register, phone Lena at 905-528-7988, ext. 2249. God is close to those who mourn, come and experience his healing presence.

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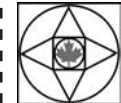
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