

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH

(FOUNDED IN 1849)

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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.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT EVERY FRIDAY AFTER 9 AM MASS - 12 NOON

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions

"The prayers of the lowly pierce the clouds."

- Sirach 35:17

Monday October 24

Ephesians 4.32-5.8; Luke 13.10-17 – **No Mass**

Tuesday October 25

Ephesians 5.21-33; Luke 13.18-21

7 PM – **No Mass**

Wednesday October 26

Ephesians 6.1-9; Luke 13.22-30

9 AM – **No Mass**

Thursday October 27

Ephesians 6.10-20; Luke 13.31-35

9 AM – **No Mass**

Friday October 28 – *St. Simon & St. Jude*

Ephesians 2.19-22; Luke 6.12-19

9 AM – **No Mass**

Saturday October 29

Philippians 1.18b-26; Luke 14.1, 7-11

5 PM – **Rose Mai Carroll**

Sunday October 30 – *31st Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Wisdom 11.22-12.2; 2 Thessalonians 1.11-2.2; Luke 19.1-10

9 AM – **Pro Populo**

11 AM – **Victor Pires**

The Priests of the Diocese are attending a Clergy Seminar and there will be no Mass on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday this week.

C.W.L. Message

Recognize the talents you have been given and consider how they may be developed and shared to answer God's call to be of service to others. We continue to collect items for the **Bazaar on November 5/6** – new and next to new, jewelry, soft cover books and small electrical appliances will be accepted until Tuesday, October 25. Please bring any donations to the hall on Tuesday morning between 10 and 11:30 a.m. Thank you very much.

Office hour change: beginning the week of October 31st, the parish office will be open Mondays to Thursdays only. The hours will remain the same. The office will be **closed** all day on **Fridays** starting November 4.

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is in need of volunteers 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. For information please visit the parish website at www.stjohnthebaptist.ca or email stvatsj@gmail.com or phone 905-979-6460.

Commitment Sunday is on October 29 and 30. Please pray for our grade 7 students preparing for Confirmation.



Our Parish

Monday October 24

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday October 25

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

RCIA – 7 PM – WR

Wednesday October 26

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA – 6:15 PM – Hall

Thursday October 27

Cenacle Group – 9:30 AM – WR

Christian Meditation – 1 PM – WR

Choir Practice – 7:30 PM – Choir Loft

Friday October 28

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall

Sunday October 30

Commitment Sunday



Baptisms

Welcomed into our parish community through Baptism on Sunday, October 16, 2016:

Aidan Blasutig and Bryan Chalmers

Congratulations to their parents, Godparents and families.

St. John's School is looking for donations of gently used costumes that would fit children from kindergarten to grade eight, to be use in the dramatic arts program. Costumes can be dropped off at the school office. Please ensure the costumes are washed and placed in a bag to the attention of *Gisella DiFronzo*. Also include your name and address so that the children can send you a thank you card!



OCTOBER 23, 2016

Used Book Sale on Saturday, October 29 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon, at Assumption High School, 3230 Woodward Ave., Burlington. Donations of gently used books can be dropped off at the Main Office anytime before October 26. Thank you for supporting our community!

IN THE DIOCESE

Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI, Bishop of Hamilton, will offer the annual **All Souls Day Mass** at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Sunday, October 30 at 2:00 p.m. All are invited. For more information visit the website at www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca or phone 905-522-7727 or 1-800-661-5985.

IN OTHER PARISHES

Thanksgiving Dinner and Dance – Couples for Christ and its Ministries (Halton Chapter), is hosting a semi-formal Thanksgiving dinner/dance on Saturday, October 29 from 6:30 p.m., at St. Raphael Parish Centre. Cost per adult is \$20.00 and children 12 and under eat free. Cash bar. Tickets may be purchased in the foyer following the 5:00 p.m. Mass or contact galwayrenata@gmail.com This is a “first come, first serve” basis due to hall capacity. Come and join us for an evening of food, friends, entertainment and fellowship!

IN THE COMMUNITY

Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes with Barcelona Join Deacon Rob Thomas on June 11 to June 20, 2017 on a faith-filled excursion, marking the 100th anniversary of Fatima. Please visit the link, <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/764541> or phone Deacon Rob at 905-315-9443. Early booking savings deadline is fast approaching.

6th Annual HCCEF Evening – Join us for an opportunity to meet Bishop Douglas Crosby and to hear him speak. It's a fun evening with exceptional food, fellowship and a great cause – proceeds support the HCCEF Student Guardian Program. All are welcome. It's on Wednesday, November 2 from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Le Dome Banquet Hall, 1173 North Service Rd. E., Oakville. Tickets are \$75. Register at www.hccef.org.

40 Days for Life

September 28 – November 6

We stand outside and peacefully pray across from the Oakville Trafalgar Hospital from 7 am to 7 pm daily. *Coming to pray for the first time? Join us Saturdays from 10 to 11 a.m.* For info and to choose a time slot, go to www.40daysforlife.com/oakville. Additional information on the table at the Brant Street entrance.

Development and Peace – Annual Retreat Day on Saturday, November 5 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. in the Ignatius Jesuit Centre (St. Brigid's Villa), 5420 Highway 6 North in Guelph. Margaret McDyre and Fr. Ted Slaman, will present “*The Spirit Moving in Our Fifty Year Journey With Development and Peace.*” Cost \$20.00. Please bring some pot-luck food to share. Register with Margaret McDyre at marg.mcdyre@outlook.com or phone 519-833-4479.

The **SERRA Club of Halton** is seeking people to meet monthly at St. Dominic Parish in Oakville to promote and support vocations to religious life. We share Mass, a meal, have interesting speakers, and as a group plan ways to encourage young men and women to listen to God's call. While this helps others, it is also an opportunity to deepen our own walk with the Lord and strengthen our faith community. For more information contact garthbrown@sympatico.ca or sidoniap12@gmail.com or phone Sidonia at 905-637-3061.

Retreats at Loyola House in Guelph

Are you looking to break away and spend some time in silence? Or, are you looking to upgrade your skills in giving Spiritual Direction? For information on the following upcoming retreats and programs, or to register online, visit www.loyolahouse.com or contact registration@ignatiusquelph.ca or phone 519-824-1250 ex 266.

Advent Prayer Weekend: November 25 – 27

Directed Prayer Weekend: November 25 – 27

Let Heaven & Nature Sing, Advent Retreat with the Earth: November 25 – 27

Advent Taize Weekend: December 2 – 4

Vocation View


Wanted: humble sinners who know the forgiveness of God. These make good servants of the Gospel. Speak to the pastor or contact Fr. King, the Vocation Director, at 905-528-7988 x 2246 or visit www.vocationinfo.ca.

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