

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.

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



Mass Intentions

"Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way."

- Mark 10:52

Monday October 26

Romans 8:11-17++; Luke 13:10-17 – No Mass

Tuesday October 27

Romans 8:18-25; Luke 13:18-21

7 PM – In Thanksgiving

Wednesday October 28 – St. Simon & St. Jude

Ephesians 2:19-22; Luke 6:12-19

9 AM – No Mass

Thursday October 29

Romans 8:31b-39; Luke 13:31-35

9 AM – No Mass

Friday October 30

Romans 9:1-5; Luke 14:1-6

9 AM – No Mass

Saturday October 31

Romans 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Luke 14:1, 7-11

5 PM – Deceased members of the Caruso family

Sunday November 1 – All Saints Day

Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14; I John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12a

9 AM – Pro Populo

11 AM – Dr. Robert Carbin

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

C.W.L. Message

Our **Christmas Bazaar** will be here before we know it. The times are Saturday, November 7 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Sunday, November 8 after the Masses. Come for the **crafts, new & next-to-new, Christmas décor, books, toys, jewelry, baked goods, café and, of course, the Silent Auction.** We appreciate all the wonderful support and welcome your baking donations for our very popular bake table. Thanks!!

St. John's Parish Breakfast



It's here!!! Come on down and enjoy a delicious breakfast after the 9 and 11 a.m. Sunday Masses. Tickets at the door of the hall. \$7/adults and \$3/children (5 to 12), children 4 and under eat for free. The menu, prepared by the Knights of Columbus: eggs, bacon, sausages, beans, pancakes, hash browns, coffee, tea & juice.

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.



Our Parish

Monday October 26

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday October 27

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

RCIA – 7:30 PM – WR

Wednesday October 28

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA – 6:15 PM – Hall

Thursday October 29

Cenacle Group – 9:30 AM – WR

Christian Meditation – 12:30 – WR

Choir Practice – 7:30 PM – Church

Friday October 30

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall

Sunday November 1

Baptism Preparation Meeting – 10 AM – WR



Papal Prayer Intentions for November

- ✠ That we may be open to personal encounter and dialogue with all, even those whose convictions differ from our own.
- ✠ That pastors of the Church, with profound love for their flock, may accompany them and enliven their hope.



Baptisms

Welcomed into our parish community through Baptism on Sunday, October 18, 2015:

Lora Nicolas & Mackenzie Steele

Congratulations to their parents, Godparents and family.

October 25, 2015

IN THE DIOCESE

The Biblical Roots of Mercy

All are welcome to attend this session intended to help you prepare for the upcoming Jubilee Year of Mercy. Join us for evening prayer with Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, and a presentation, "*The Biblical Roots of Mercy*," by biblical scholar, Sr. Eileen Schuller, OSU. The event is held at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, 28 Norfolk St. in Guelph on Sunday, November 15 at 7 p.m.

Heal Your Heart

Are you dealing with a loss in your life such as the death of a spouse, child or miscarriage, divorce, job loss, loss of home, health, pet, culture, infertility, romantic relationship, ailing parents? There is help – you are invited to join a series of Group Bereavement Workshops aiming at mending conflicting emotions that hold you back from enjoying life. This is a 6-week course on Wednesdays at 7 to 9 p.m. starting October 28 and each Wednesday until December 2 at St. Michael's Church, 181 Sewell Dr., Oakville. To register, go to www.hamiltondiocese.com or phone the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2249. The cost is \$35 including material.

All are invited to gather with Bishop Crosby and members of religious communities of the Diocese for a **Mass of Thanksgiving for the Year of Consecrated Life** at 3 p.m. on Sunday, November 1 at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, 28 Norfolk St., Guelph.

ALL SOULS DAY MASS

Most Reverend Anthony Tonnos, Bishop Emeritus of Hamilton, will offer the annual All Souls Day Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Sunday, November 1 at 2:00 p.m. All are invited. For more information, please phone 905-522-7727, or 1-800-661-5985, or visit www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca.



Surviving the Grief of a Substance Abuse Death

All are welcome to attend a panel discussion meant to highlight grief education specific to a substance abuse death of a child. The free event is sponsored by P.X. Dermody Funeral Home and Bereaved Families of Ontario South Central Region. It will be held at the Westdale Public Library, 955 King St. W., Hamilton from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 29. For information, phone 905-318-0070 or email christina.walton@dermondys.com.

IN OTHER PARISHES

Christmas Bazaars:

Holy Rosary – Saturday, November 7, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., 287 Plains Rd. E., Aldershot.

St. Ann's – Saturday, November 14 from 2-7 p.m. and Sunday, November 15 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Barton St. E. & Sherman Ave., Hamilton.

IN THE COMMUNITY

40 Days for Life

This year's campaign runs from September 23 - November 1, each day from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Everyone is invited to join this peaceful prayer vigil at the Oakville-Trafalgar Hospital, 327 Reynolds St. Register at www.40daysforlife.com/oakville.

5th Annual HCCEF Evening with Bishop Crosby

Wednesday, November 4 – 5:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Le Dome Banquet Hall

1173 North Service Rd. E., Oakville

\$75/ticket or \$750/table of 10

Register at www.hccef.org

Vocation View

"Master grant that I may see."

Please pray for vocations. For information on the priesthood or religious life, talk to the pastor or visit www.vocationinfo.ca or contact Rev. Wojciech Kuzma, Vocation Director at the Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, extension 2246 or wkuzma@hamiltondiocese.com.

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