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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.

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

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

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

"So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

- Matthew 20:16

Monday September 25

Ezra 1:1-6; Luke 8:16-18 – *No Mass*

Tuesday September 26 – St. John de Brebeuf & St. Isaac Jogues

Revelation 7:9-17; 2 Corinthians 4:7-15; Luke 9:23-26

7 PM – James Maher

Wednesday September 27 – St. Vincent de Paul

Ezra 9:5-9; Luke 9:1-6

9 AM – Intentions of Pat McFarlane

Thursday September 28

Haggai 1:1-8; Luke 9:7-9

9 AM – Frank Opavsky

Friday September 29 – St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael

Revelation 12:7-12a; John 1:47-51

9 AM – David Luckman

Saturday September 30 – St. Jerome

Zechariah 2:1-5, 10-11; Luke 9:43b-45

5 PM – Marcel Laurin

Sunday October 1 – 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ezekiel 18:25-28; Philippians 2:1-11; Matthew 21:28-32

9 AM – Pro Populo

11 AM – Rose Moore



Our Parish

Monday September 25

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday September 26

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

RCIA – 7:30 PM – WR

Wednesday September 27

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA – 6:15 PM – Hall

Thursday September 28

Cenacle Group – 9:30 AM – WR

Choir Practice – 7 PM – Church

Friday September 29

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall

Sunday October 1

Baptism Preparation – 10 AM – WR

C.W.L. Message

Advance notice – our **October meeting** will take place on Monday, October 16 in the parish hall. Ms. Routledge will introduce you to *the Burlington Senior's Advisory Committee*, discussing all aspects of senior life. All parishioners and beyond are invited.

Join **Life Chain** on Sunday, October 1 from 2:30 -3:30 p.m. at Fairview St. and Maple Ave. This annual event is a prayerful, peaceful and silent witness for the unborn. Please pick up a sign at the corner of Fairview and Maple and join pro-lifers across North America to make a visual statement.

St. John's Christmas Bazaar

St. John's Christmas Bazaar will take place on November 4 and we are still looking for help: **volunteers** to help at the bazaar, contributions of **baked goods**, donated goods or services for the **Silent Auction** and items for the **new/gently used goods table** (jewellery, décor, Christmas items). Items may be dropped off in the parish hall on Tuesday or Wednesday mornings. Please contact Peggy Black by email at blackpeg133@hotmail.com or phone 905-309-9865 or Dina Knight at jknight23@cogeco.ca or phone 905-332-8765.

The following businesses/individuals have made donations to the Silent Auction: Albert McDonaugh Real Estate, AMP Salon, Bayview Funeral Home, Baywest Group, Bob's No Frills, Clark V. Craig Lawyer, Holland Park Garden Gallery, Mabel's Labels, Rosehill Liquidation, Shelagh Desrochers Real Estate, Brant Arts IDA Pharmacy, Brant Florist, Burlington Pond H.T.C., Total Image Hair Salon, Burlington Toyota, Walking on a Cloud.

Would you like to deepen your relationship with Jesus? Do you have tough questions about our Catholic Faith you'd like answers to, but don't know where to find them? Then your search is over! The St. John the Baptist Men's Group, in collaboration with the Knights of Columbus, invite you to come gather for coffee and refreshments after the 9 and 11 o'clock Masses on Sunday, October 1 for a brief presentation of **"Formed,"** a wonderful website that has been called a "Catholic Netflix." This site has inspiring movies and video-based studies, audio presentations and e-books from the Church's most compelling speakers and authors. Come join us and learn where to find the answers you've been looking for all these years.

All are invited to attend **Adoration and Benediction** on the evening of Wednesday, October 4. We will begin with Evening Prayer at 5:45 p.m., followed by Adoration at 6 p.m. and Benediction at 7:45 p.m. This is going to be an evening of silent reflection. You are welcome to come for as much or as little time as you like. Please note: Deacon Rob will be using a small amount of incense during the Benediction portion.

New Altar Servers

This notice is for any students in grade 4 and up attending public schools or Catholic elementary schools who are interested in becoming Altar Servers. Please speak to Father Bob and pick up an application form from him in the priest's sacristy at the weekend Masses.

PIPE ORGAN CONCERT

Save the date, Sunday, November 12 and join our Music Ministry to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Letourneau Opus 110 Pipe Organ installation with a 3-PM concert and reception. There will be lots of participants including our choirs, parish members and special guests featuring Brent Fifield and the Ensemble Lyrica Chamber Choir.



Baptisms

The following children were baptized
on September 17, 2017:

**Violet Atanas, Grace McLeod
& Abigail Treadgold**

*Congratulations to their parents,
Godparents and families*

IN THE DIOCESE

Are you frustrated or angry at each other or have you just stopped talking to each other? *Retrouaille* helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped tens of thousands of couples. For confidential information about, or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on **November 3**, please phone **905-664-5212** or email: hamiltonretrouaille1@cogeco.ca or visit the web site at www.retrouaille.org.

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION FOR CHILDREN

As we know, all of the Sacraments require preparation. 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), to prepare them for 1st Reconciliation, 1st Communion and Confirmation. Phone 905-528-7988, ext. 2238.

Confirmations at our parish are celebrated in the fall for children in grade 7. If your child does not attend a Catholic school, please contact Father Bob as soon as possible so you may have adequate time to prepare with the Catechetical Correspondence Courses.

The **Together in Faith** Campaign promotes our Catholic School students' achievements in academics, social justice and Christian service. Parishioners are invited to join the campaign to strengthen publicly funded Catholic education in Ontario. Please visit www.togetherinfaith.ca and help us share the Good News!

IN THE COMMUNITY

40 Days for Life Sept. 27 – Nov. 5

The mission of the campaign is to bring together the body of Christ in a spirit of unity during a focused 40 days of prayer, fasting and peaceful witness to end abortion and bring healing to women suffering from the effects of abortion. If you'd like more information and also choose a timeslot, please visit the website at 40daysforlife.com/oakville.

Bring your family bowling at Burlington Bowl, 4065 Harvester Rd., on Sunday, September 24 from 3-5 p.m. to raise funds for cancer treatment. The cost is \$25 per person or \$5 for children under 5 years. Come out for a fun afternoon with family and friends, to enjoy pizza, pop and bowling. Contact Tim at salisbury3d@gmail.com or visit www.kofc5073.ca.

Vocations - *If you feel you are being called to the priesthood, consecrated life or the diaconate, contact Rev. Michael King, Vocation Director, by phone at 905-528-7988 x 2246, or email Father King at mking@hamiltondiocese.com or visit the Diocesan website at www.vocationinfo.ca.*

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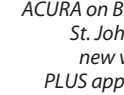
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