

# THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE

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## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*The St. John the Apostle parish community, inspired by the Holy Spirit, strives to witness to the presence of Christ*  
(Parish established October 8, 1966)

### Sunday Eucharist

Saturday: 5:00 pm  
Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:30 am,  
Children's Liturgy generally at 10:30 am Mass (Sept. to June)

### Weekday Liturgy

Eucharist: Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri at 9:00 am  
and 1st Saturday of month: 9:00 am

CONFESSIONS: 8:30 am Tuesday - Friday  
Saturdays 4:00 - 4:30 pm; and on request

### DEVOTIONS:

*Eucharistic Benediction:* 7:30-8:30 am Tuesday - Friday  
*Rosary:* Prayed before weekday Mass 8:30 am  
*Divine Mercy Chaplet:* Following Tuesday morning Mass

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Baptismal preparation is required.  
Please call the Parish Office on 613-829-1760.

### SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

Preparation is required.  
Please call the Parish Office 613-829-1760  
at least nine months in advance.

**PASTORAL CARE:** If you or a family member is sick at home or in hospital, please contact our Pastoral Care Team to have someone visit you and bring Communion. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements for the Sacrament of the Sick.

**FINANCE COUNCIL:** Deborah Kealey (Chair) Gino Brancatelli (Sec.)  
Ray Kostuch Marjorie Moore  
Paul Gillis

Pastor: Rev. Thomas Riopelle  
Deacons: Deacon Greg Vaughn  
Deacon Fred ("RICK") Jardine  
Office Administrator: Christine Altherr  
Bookkeeping: Pearl Beausoleil  
Maintenance: Steve Short

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:  
Monday -Thursday, 9:00 - 12:00; 1:00 - 3:30

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## ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE PARISH PARISH MINISTRIES AND GROUPS

BAPTISMAL INQUIRIES	Parish Office <a href="mailto:stjohnap@magma.ca">stjohnap@magma.ca</a>	613-829-1760
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CHILDREN'S RELIGION PROGRAM	(for children attending a public or private school) Joan Proctor	613-726-9560
CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION	Parish Office <a href="mailto:stjohnap@magma.ca">stjohnap@magma.ca</a>	613-829-1760
COUNTERS	Marthe Dubroy <a href="mailto:marthedubroy@rogers.com">marthedubroy@rogers.com</a>	613-829-3379
CURSILLO REPRESENTATIVE	Patricia O'Regan <a href="mailto:patriciaoregan@yahoo.ca">patriciaoregan@yahoo.ca</a> (Monthly Ultreya - first Saturday after 9:00 am mass)	613-820-4061
FUNERAL LITURGY TEAM	Parish Office <a href="mailto:stjohnap@magma.ca">stjohnap@magma.ca</a>	613-829-1760
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	<a href="http://www.kofc-10470.org">www.kofc-10470.org</a> Ron Seguin <a href="mailto:ron.seguin@mcgarryfamily.ca">ron.seguin@mcgarryfamily.ca</a>	613-978-5383
LEGION OF MARY	Angela Beimers <a href="mailto:legionangela@hotmail.com">legionangela@hotmail.com</a>	613-829-0320
LITURGY COMMITTEE	Divina Hogan <a href="mailto:SJALitCom@yahoo.ca">SJALitCom@yahoo.ca</a>	613-820-7852
MARRIAGE PREPARATION INQUIRIES	Parish Office <a href="mailto:stjohnap@magma.ca">stjohnap@magma.ca</a>	613-829-1760
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Joan Doherty <a href="mailto:dohertybrian@rogers.com">dohertybrian@rogers.com</a>	613-828-9206
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PASTORAL CARE	Mary Ellen Henniger	613-224-0030
PRO-LIFE MINISTRY	Deborah La Riccia <a href="mailto:deborahlariccia@rogers.com">deborahlariccia@rogers.com</a> Help Line for crisis pregnancy	613-820-3580 1-800-665-0570
READERS/COMMENTATORS	Judy Mears <a href="mailto:mj.mears@sympatico.ca">mj.mears@sympatico.ca</a>	613-828-7008
RECEPTION (VOLUNTEERS)	Joan & Helene <a href="mailto:reception.sjap@gmail.com">reception.sjap@gmail.com</a>	613-829-1760
RESPONSIBLE MINISTRY	Theresa Verver <a href="mailto:theresa.verver@gmail.com">theresa.verver@gmail.com</a>	613-723-3157
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FOOD BANKS	Morrison Gardens Food Bank Pinecrest Food Cupboard	613-596-6229 613-596-6703
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AREA SCHOOLS	Our Lady of Victory St. John the Apostle	613-828-5594 613-828-0644
	Pope John XXIII St. Paul High School	613-226-6223 613-820-9705

## WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

The people of St. John the Apostle Parish Community extend a warm welcome to our parish family! Kindly introduce yourself to the priest and register your family with our community. Please call the parish office if you have any questions. (Please complete the information below and place in the collection basket)

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ TEL: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

PARISH INTEREST: \_\_\_\_\_ WOULD YOU LIKE TO USE SUNDAY COLLECTION ENVELOPES? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### GETTING READY

Today marks the beginning of another liturgical year.

The tone of today's readings casts us in the role of students learning solemn lessons. The reading from Isaiah sets the stage, calling us up a mountain to receive the Lord's instruction. In this passage we study peace.

Then Paul steps forth with sober admonitions. We have to wake up; the day is almost here. Live honorably in the light. Paul reminds us that we really do know the time in which we are living.

Finally, Matthew presents Jesus the storyteller. Just imagine, Jesus tells us, what it was like in Noah's time. He paints a vivid picture of ordinary people living ordinary lives and ignoring the warnings that Noah heeded. Totally unconcerned, they were destroyed. How will it be any different for us? No one knows when the Lord will come. But we have been warned.

Perhaps we find such sobering scriptures unappealing and threatening. But within them there is promise. We are to live in the light with nothing to hide. We are to be ready.

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Isaiah 2.1-5; Psalm 122; Romans 13.11-14; Matthew 24.37-44



### PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Tuesdays:** *Legion of Mary* - after 9:00 am Mass in the Small Assembly Room
- Wednesdays:** *Liturgy of the Word or Mass at Redwoods* - 2:00 pm  
*RCIA* - 9:15 am in the Pastoral Office  
*Euchre* - 1:00 pm in the Small Assembly Room
- Fridays:** *Liturgy of the Word or Mass at West End Villa* - 2:00 pm
- Saturdays:** *Communion & Liberation Group* - Board Rm 5:00 pm
- Sundays:** *Children's Liturgy* - at 10:30 am Mass  
*Mass at Valley Stream Manor* - 11:00 am  
*Vespers* - 4:30 pm in the Church

Sat, Nov 30	Christmas Dance	7:30 pm	Hall
Sun, Dec 1	<b>Building &amp; Mortgage Collection</b> <i>Christmas Fruit Cakes for Sale</i> <i>All Masses</i>		
	Coffee Sunday	After 10:30 Mass in the Glass House	
Mon, Dec 2	Children's Religion	6:30 pm	Small Assembly Rm
	Choir Practice (Cheryl's Group)	6:30 pm	Church
Tues, Dec 3	St. Paul High School Class Mass	10:15 am	School
	Liturgy Committee	5:00 pm	Board Room
	K of C Christmas Party	7:00 pm	Small Assembly Rm
Wed, Dec 4	St. John the Apostle School Advent Mass & Reception	6:30 pm	Church, Hall
	Choir Practice (Divina's Group)	7:30 pm	Church
Thurs, Dec 5	OLV Advent Mass & Reception	6:30 pm	Church, Hall
Sat, Dec 7	Cursillo	9:30 am	Small Assembly Rm
	<b>Sharing our Christmas Collection</b>		
Sun, Dec 8	Parent Orientation for <b>First Communion and Confirmation</b>	11:30 am	Church

On December 14<sup>th</sup> at **9:30 am** (*note correct time*) in Notre Dame Cathedral Archbishop Prendergast will ordain four members of the Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter to the priesthood: **Bryan Kipling Cooper, Douglas Hayman, John Hodgins and James Tilley.**

On Saturday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am in Notre Dame Cathedral **Matthew Keshwah** will be ordained to the priesthood.

### Extraordinary Synod on Issues of Marriage and Family in the Context of the New Evangelization:

The Holy See has drawn up a survey to elicit responses from the faithful on current circumstances of marriage and family especially in regard to the understanding and acceptance of the teaching of Christ and his Church.

English and French Pastoral Services will be preparing an online survey that the faithful may access to give their input.

**We will advise when this is available on the Diocesan website.**

The Christmas cakes produced by the Cistercian Monks of Val Notre-Dame Abbey will be for sale this weekend after all Masses. Proceeds are in aid of the pro-life work of Campaign Life Coalition.

**SHARING OUR CHRISTMAS**

Is the name of St. John's Christmas Assistance Program. It is a fund which allows our Social Outreach Committee to respond, on your behalf, to the many families who need and request help at Christmas. Throughout Advent, Sharing our Christmas envelopes will be available at both entrances to the church. The weekend of **December 7/8**, our collection date, the envelopes will be in the pews. We are soliciting donations; money received will be used primarily to brighten the Christmas of the poor in our midst. Those who seek our help will receive food vouchers ranging in value for \$50 and up, depending on family size. Those who receive the vouchers will pick them up from Lawrence Donegan at the Morrison Gardens Food Bank. We, at St. John the Apostle, have a history of giving generously at Christmas time. The needs are ongoing; so should be our concern and love for our neighbours. In this spirit of generosity, any surplus in the fund will be carried beyond the Christmas season and continue to help the needy in the new Year.

**Sacraments of**

**First Communion and Confirmation**

**Parent Orientation Meeting for all first sacraments will be held on Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am in the church. Attendance of one parent is mandatory.**

St. John the Apostle Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring their annual

**Children's Christmas Party**

on Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013, from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. Children will be treated to games, crafts, lots of hot dogs, chips and candy and a visit with Santa. There is no charge and all Parish children are welcome.

***RISE UP 2013 IN OTTAWA:*** A conference for young adults (age 18-35) that exists to motivate and inspire leaders for the renewal of the world. It is hosted by Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO) and will conclude their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary year celebrations. At the Delta Ottawa City Centre, December 28, 2013 - January 1, 2014. Info: ([www.cco.ca/riseup](http://www.cco.ca/riseup)) or Katie Lebrun (613-736-1999).

**Mass Intentions**

**Sat, Nov 30 – 5:00 pm**

- ✠ Frank and Joan Morris by Betty Morris
- ✠ Harold O'Brien by the Perry family
- ✠ Aunt of Anne Patterson by the students and staff of Frank Ryan Catholic Intermediate School

**Sun, Dec 1 – 8:00 am**

The intentions of all our Parishioners

**Sun, Dec 1 – 10:30 am**

- ✠ Yvon Lapensée by Olive and family
- ✠ Enes Mongeau by Jackie Henderson and Stu Walker
- ✠ Jude Ahee by the Gallant family

**Tues, Dec 3 – 9:00 am**

- ✠ Deceased members of the Oakley family by Marjory and James Oakley

**Wed, Dec 4 – 9:00 am**

Intentions of Fr. Geoff Kerlake by the Egan family

**Thurs, Dec 5– 9:00 am**

- ✠ Aquilino Pantalone by the family

**Sat, Dec 7 – 9:00 am**

Life: Conception to Natural Death

**Sat, Dec 7 – 5:00 pm**

- Mass in thanksgiving by Tina and Norm Martin
- ✠ Camillo Giamberardino by his wife and family
- ✠ Raymond Littleton by the Perry family

**Sun, Dec 8 – 8:00 am**

- ✠ Deceased members of the Thomson family by Barbara and George Brancato

**Sun, Dec 8 – 10:30 am**

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✠ *indicates deceased*

***Please remember the sick and their families who journey with them:*** Doris Whitney, Lloyd Weatherdon, Leslie Roche, Ivan Goodin and all those who are suffering from long-term chronic disease or mental illness.

***Prayers and sympathy for those who have died.***

**Helpers of God's Precious Infants – Day of Vigil for the Unborn**

Join us on **Thursday, December 12th**, 2013 (Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe) to pray for the unborn. The vigil will take place across the street from 65 Bank Street. St. John the Apostle time slot is from **10 am to 11 am**.

*Would you not watch one hour with us?(Mt. 26:40)*

Deborah La Riccia 613-820-3580

<b>COLLECTIONS</b>	Reg. Collection	Valley Stream Manor	Redwoods		* Budget requirement	(Deficit) / Over	Building & Mortgage
November 24 <sup>th</sup>	\$4,416.55	+ \$208.00	\$ 62.00	= \$4,686.55	- \$4,800.00	(\$113.45)	\$470.00
November c/c (PAC)				= \$2,306.00	\$2,400.00	(\$94.00)	\$645.00
Special Collection: Phillipines Typhoon				= \$2,930.00			
* Total Weekly requirement <b>\$5,350</b> = \$4,800 Basket collections + Pre-Authorized Contributions weekly average of \$550 (\$2,400/4.36)							

**Welcome to**

*The Catholic Community of  
St. John The Apostle*

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