

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)

Pastor: Rev. Lindsay Harrison
Deacons: Deacon Greg Vaughn
Deacon Fred Jardine
Office Administrator: Debbie McSheffrey
Bookkeeping: Pearl Beausoleil
Maintenance: Steve Short

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

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

DEVOTIONS:

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: Ray Kostuch (Chair) John Schembri
Franca Morrison

Building Committee: Gino Brancatelli Paul Gillis Peter Garvey

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC):

Daniel Hogan (Chair) Divina Hogan (Sec.)
Bill Roblin Rosemary Fikis
Jeff Alquire

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

ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE PARISH PARISH MINISTRIES AND GROUPS

BAPTISMAL INQUIRIES	Parish Office stjohnap@magma.ca	613-829-1760
BEREAVEMENT GROUP	Mary Ellen Henniger	613-224-0030
CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE	Joan Doherty dohertybrian@rogers.com	613-828-9206
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Lynn Dal Farra dallarra@rogers.com	613-721-8111
CHILDREN'S RELIGION PROGRAM	(for children attending a public or private school) Parish Office stjohnap@magma.ca	613-829-1760
CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION	Parish Office stjohnap@magma.ca	613-829-1760
COUNTERS	Eileen Gallant eileen.gallant@sympatico.ca	613-828-0778
CURSILLO REPRESENTATIVE	Patricia O'Regan patriciaoregan@yahoo.ca (Monthly Ultreya - first Saturday after 9:00 am mass)	613-820-4061
FUNERAL LITURGY TEAM	Parish Office stjohnap@magma.ca	613-829-1760
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	Bob Williamson lilandbob@bell.net	613-829-1805
LEGION OF MARY	Angela Beimers redroseangela31@outlook.com	613-829-0320
LITURGY COMMITTEE	Divina Hogan SJALitCom@yahoo.ca	613-820-7852
MARRIAGE PREPARATION INQUIRIES	Parish Office stjohnap@magma.ca	613-829-1760
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Ming Leung Mingdee@gmail.com	613-721-3834
MUSIC MINISTRY	Parish Office stjohnap@magma.ca	613-829-1760
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC)	Daniel Hogan (Chair) daniel_hogan_sja@yahoo.ca	613-820-7852
PASTORAL CARE	Mary Ellen Henniger	613-224-0030
PRO-LIFE MINISTRY	Deborah La Riccia deborahlariccia@rogers.com Help Line for crisis pregnancy	613-820-3580 1-800-665-0570
READERS/COMMENTATORS	Laura Recoskie lrecoskie@gmail.com	613 596-0905
RECEPTION (VOLUNTEERS)	Joan and Helene reception.sjap@gmail.com	613-829-1760
RESPONSIBLE MINISTRY	Theresa Verver theresa.verver@gmail.com	613-723-3157
SACRISTANS/ENVIRONMENT	Angela Beimers	613-829-0320
SOCIAL OUTREACH COMMITTEE	Call the parish office stjohnap@magma.ca	613-829-1760
USHERS	Gerry Fikis g.fikis@rogers.com	613-723-0728

FOOD BANKS	Morrison Gardens Food Bank	613-596-6229
	Pinecrest Food Cupboard	613-596-6703

AREA SCHOOLS		
	Our Lady of Victory	613-828-5594 St. John XXIII 613-226-6223
	St. John the Apostle	613-828-0644 St. Paul High School 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 ___

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
Dec. 17th & 18th 4th Sunday of Advent		
5:00 pm	Presider: Fr. Lindsay	
	#1 Yvonne Munro #2 John Dunphy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bill Roblin • Elizabeth Steeves • Hart Steeves
8:00 am	Presider: Fr. Lindsay	
	#1 Marlene Picard #2 Deborah LaRiccia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bob McGaraghty • Deborah La Riccia • Joe Fortier
10:30am	Presider: Fr. Lindsay	
	#1 Brian Doherty #2 Jasbir Singh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ming Leung • Catherine Leung • John Schembri • Judy Mears • Ray McCloskey

*If you are unable to serve as scheduled,
please ensure that you have found a replacement.*

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 in the pews the weekend of **December 11th**. 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, 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.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP LUNCHEON

Members of our Bereavement Group will be meeting at **Kristy's at 12 noon on Tuesday, December 13th**. All welcome.

CHURCH LIGHTING

Electrical Contracts: information on two contracts that have just been awarded are available at both entrances of the church.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesdays : Legion of Mary - 9:30am Mass in Small Assembly Room
Wednesdays: Euchre - 12.30 pm in Small Assembly Room
 Liturgy of the Word or Mass at Redwoods - 2:00 pm
 RCIA – 7 pm. Board Room
Fridays: Liturgy of the Word or Mass at West End Villa - 2:15 pm
Sundays: Children's Liturgy - at 10:30 am Mass
 Mass at Valley Stream Manor - 11:00 am
Mon. to Fri. After School Group - 3 – 6 pm. in SAR

Tues. Dec. 13	CWL General Meeting	7 pm.	SAR
Wed. Dec. 14	Choir Practice	7.30 pm.	Church

Dates to Remember

Memorial Mass – Jan. 5th, 2017 7 pm.

ANNUAL PARISH MEMORIAL MASS

The Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League are organizing the annual Parish Memorial Mass on **Thursday, January 5th, 2017 at 7 pm**. Please forward names of family members who have passed away in 2016 that you wish remembered at this Mass to the parish office, along with the name of the representative who will attend on their behalf.



CWL BAKE SALE

The CWL is having a Christmas Bake sale this weekend after all masses. Come out and enjoy some Christmas goodies! Your support would be most appreciated.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Two lovely Advent Wreaths which have been completed by Children's Liturgy are now hanging up at the back of the church. Leaves of the advent wreath are good works that the children have been doing in preparation for Jesus' birthday. The wreath is a symbol of God's everlasting love with no beginning and no end. So, let's see what God's love looks like – (being a friend, helping a sibling with homework, helping parents set the table, cooperating with a family member etc.)

Sunday Missals for 2017 – There are still a few missals available in the parish office for the new liturgical year. Cost \$5.00

Sunday Morning Smile

Lee, A seven-year-old boy, was asked to say thanks for the Christmas dinner. The family members bowed their heads in expectation. Lee began his prayer, thanking God for his Mommy, Daddy, brothers, sister, Grandma, and all his aunts and uncles. Then he began to thank God for the food. He gave thanks for the turkey, the stuffing, the Christmas pudding, even the cranberry sauce. Then Lee paused, and everyone waited ... and waited. After a long silence, the young fellow looked up at his mother and asked, "If I thank God for the brussel sprouts, won't he know that I'm lying?"



CHRISTMAS
Mass Schedule

Christmas Mass Schedule

Dec. 24th 5 pm, 8 pm, & 10 pm

Dec. 25th 10.30 am.

Dec. 31st 5 pm

Jan. 1st 8:00 am.

10.30 am.

50th Anniversary Corner

On behalf of the 50th Anniversary Celebration Committee and the "Raise the Roof" Fundraising Committee, we would like to thank all those who came out to the SJA Lasagna Family Dinner on Sunday, December 4 to celebrate the last event of our 50th anniversary year. In addition to the food, fun, and fellowship, a total of **\$2,713.00** was raised in net proceeds from ticket sales, the silent auction, and the 50/50 draw in support of the "Raise the Roof" Fundraising Campaign!

A very special thank you to the many volunteers who contributed so much time and energy to the success of this event. Your hard work and dedication were inspiring and demonstrated just how much love you have for this faith community. God bless you all!

"For God is not unjust; he will not overlook your work and the love that you showed for his sake in serving the saints, as you still do." (Hebrews 6:10)

Mass Intentions

Sat., Dec. 10, 5:00 pm.

✠ Mary Hellard by her children
Intentions of Fr. Lindsay on the occasion of his 20th Anniversary by Jacqueline Henderson
In Thanksgiving by Tina Martin

Sun., Dec. 11, 8:00 am.

✠ Bert Randall by Betty Randall
✠ Nadia Herrera by The Herrera family
✠ Mario La Riccia by Anne Sullivan

Sun. Dec. 11, 10.30 am.

For the intentions of our Parishioners

Wed. Dec. 14, 9:00 am.

✠ Mario La Riccia by John & Angela Beimers

Thurs. Dec. 15, 9:00 am.

Restoration of the health of M. E. Durham by
Chris & Terry Durham

Fri. Dec. 16, 9:00 am.

✠ Ivan Goodin by Ella Goodin

Sat., Dec. 17, 5:00 pm.

For the intentions of our Parishioners

Sun., Dec. 18, 8:00 am.

✠ Lucie Jacob by Margaret & Dave Thomas
✠ Anne Hastings by The Carr Family
✠ Mario La Riccia by The CWL

Sun. Dec. 18, 10.30 am.

✠ Noreen Quinlan by Elaine McVeigh
✠ Greg Kulas by Grace & Family
✠ Mary Quinn by the St. Paul Community

✠ indicates deceased

Please remember the sick and their families who journey with them.
Prayers and sympathy for those who have passed away.

COLLECTIONS Dec. 4th, 2016

	2016	2015
Dec. 4th, 2016		
Regular	\$ 4,821.20	\$ 5,491.50
Bldg/Mrtg	\$ 2,317.00	\$ 2,445.50
Down by \$798.80	\$ 7,138.20	\$ 7,937.00



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Christmas Flowers

We welcome donations to offset the cost of flowers to decorate the church. Envelopes are available at both entrances.



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