

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. Emeka Onyeogubalu
Deacon: Deacon Victor Mesta
Office Administrator: Franca Morrison
Bookkeeping: Joanne Bazdell
Maintenance: Steve Short

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

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

SACRAMENTS OF FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION:

Please call the Parish Office 613-829-1760.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

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

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office 613-829-1760 to make arrangements.

FUNERAL ENQUIRIES: Please contact the Parish Office 613-829-1760.

FINANCE COUNCIL: Ray Kostuch (Chair) John Schembri
Chris Pereira Marie Weerasooriya-Epps

BUILDING COMMITTEE: Gino Brancatelli (Chair) Paul Gillis
Bob Williamson John Schembri
Don Percy Adel Iskandar

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: Ian Moffat (Chair) Rosemary Fikis
Heather Petti Mary Jean Thompson
Fred Adibe Sandra Brancatelli
Deacon Victor Mesta

Sunday Eucharist

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

Weekday Liturgy

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

Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet: prayed before weekday Mass 8:30am

Eucharistic Adoration: First Friday of the Month, following 9am Mass
until 10:30am

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

PARISH MINISTRIES AND GROUPS

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE	Audrey Wojcik	audrey.wojcik@yahoo.ca	
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Lynn Dal Farra		613-721-8111
COUNTERS	Kerri Courville	courvillek3@gmail.com	
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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS			
Council 10470	Jamie Burnett	jamesmichaelburnett@gmail.com	613-224-8081
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Mary Jean Thompson	r.thompson1@rogers.com	613-226-7219
MUSIC MINISTRY	5pm Joanne Parenteau	joanneparenteau@gmail.com	
	8am Jamie Burnett	jamesmichaelburnett@gmail.com	613-224-8081
	10:30am Lisa-Marie Flynn	lismarielynn13@gmail.com	613-614-5566
PRO-LIFE MINISTRY	Parish Office		613-829-1760
	Help Line for crisis pregnancy		1-800-665-0570
READERS/COMMENTATORS	Laura Recoskie	lrecoskie@gmail.com	613 596-0905
RESPONSIBLE MINISTRY	Parish Office		613-829-1760
SACRISTANS/ENVIRONMENT	Angela Beimers		613-829-0320
USHERS	Gerry Fikis	fikisgw@pm.me	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 LENT

	Lectors
March 9th/10th - Fourth Sunday of Lent	
5:00 pm	Presider: Fr. Emeka Onyeogubalu
	#1 Mary Ellen Agnel #2 Dee Simons
8:00am	Presider: Fr. Emeka Onyeogubalu
	#1 Monica Mullane #2 Sabrina Pedulla
10:30am	Presiders: Most Rev. Ivan Jurkovic and Fr. Emeka Onyeogubalu
	#1 Chris Pereira #2 Xavier Recoskie

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



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Today in John's Gospel, we see Jesus in the temple as Passover approaches. He is outraged that his "Father's house" is being used as a trading center. He cleanses it and restores it to a prayerful state. Are we striving for wholeness or are our souls in need of spring cleaning?

We might ask ourselves today: what cobwebs might we wipe away before we celebrate Easter? Does pride distance us from God or others? Are we self-centered, unforgiving or un-giving? Do we judge, criticize or fail to recognize the needs of others? In the silence of our hearts, do we hear God whispering, "Come back to me"? We are temples of the Spirit, called to holiness and to the joy of eternal life. How blessed are we!

Barbara d'Artois



Stations of the Cross – 7:00pm in the Church every Friday during Lent – This is a beautiful devotion that can help us better understand Jesus' journey. Everyone is welcome to join us as we prepare ourselves to celebrate Christ's sacred mystery. This week's Stations will be hosted by the Ministers of Communion.

Dates to Remember

March 6th - Chocolate Fundraiser
March 8th - Stations of the Cross
March 21st - Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service
March 30th - 40 Cans for Lent



**St. John the Apostle
Online Purdys Chocolates
Easter Fundraiser**

The CWL has teamed up with Purdys Chocolatier this EASTER season to fundraise **\$500 for local Charities.**

**Wednesday, March 6th is the last day to order
your Easter Purdy's Chocolates!**

What you'll need to order:

1. Our campaign number: **65848**
 2. Go to our fundraising website:
<https://fundraising.purdys.com/1638574-115594>
 3. Click "Join Campaign" and click on **DASHBOARD** then **Shop ONLINE** and then **MARKETPLACE**
- If you have any questions, please contact Audrey (613) 203-1344.

The Knights of Columbus' annual "40 Cans for Lent" Food Drive continues through Holy Saturday, March 30th. Your support through food and monetary contributions will be very much appreciated. Please see the posters at both entrances to the church for items most in need. Food can be dropped off at both entrances during all weekend masses and Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9:00am to 12:00pm in the Glass House. Outside doors to the Glass House will be left open during these times for drop off. Donation envelopes can also be picked up at both entrances or in the parish office. Monetary donations can also be sent to bookkeeper@stjohntheapostleparish.com, with an indication it is for **40 Cans for Lent.**



SUNDAY SMILE

"I can't tell the difference between a rose and a dandelion. So, when it came time to fix up my garden, I had no clue which plants to keep and which ones to remove. Until, that is, my mother gave me this handy tip: "Pull them all up. If it comes back, it's a weed."

Intentions of the Holy Father – March

For the new martyrs: We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world, inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.



March 17th – St. Patrick's Day Patron Saint of Ireland and Nigeria

Shamrocks are available at both entrances to the church in support of St. Patrick's Home. **All** monies received go **directly** to support the needs of the residents of St. Patrick's Home. In the past St. John's has always been a strong supporter of this fundraising event. Thank you for your continued generous support.

St. Patrick Day Pilgrimage, Sat. March 16th
departing at 8:00am from St Patrick's Fallowfield arriving at 4:30pm at St. Patrick's Basilica, with the Companions of the Cross, Sisters of the Queenship of Mary and Sisters of the Servants of the Cross. Reception will follow at St. Patrick's scavi. Check out Pilgrimage details at the following signup link <http://tinyurl.com/3kwbtuu8>, or see posters at the entrances.



NEW CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE **HOMELESSNESS PROJECT**

Donation box is at the side entrance. Items most needed are: Clothing and hygiene products. During the winter season, donations of blankets and warm socks are greatly needed.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Mass Intentions

Sat. March 2nd – 9:00am

For the protection of all human life.

Sat. March 2nd - 5:00pm

†Gerald Soto by Olivia Gomez

Sun. March 3rd – 8:00am

For the intentions of all our parishioners.

Sun. March 3rd – 10:30am

†Stella Metcalfe by R&K Watzenboeck

†Sheila Berrea by the family

For our Holy Father Pope Francis
by San Aye and family

Wed. March 6th – 9:00am

†Leura Joseph by Vanessa and Keith Doherty

Fri. March 8th – 9:00am

For all the Holy Souls by Sorel

Sat. March 9th - 5:00pm

Sun. March 10th – 8:00am

†Ronald Little by Jamie Burnett

†Marguerite Hill by the Catholic Women's
League

†Celina Thibault and †Paul Canfield
by Monique

Sun. March 10th – 10:30am

For the intentions of all our parishioners.

† indicates deceased

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

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING:

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in April 2024 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.



**Parish Lenten
Reconciliation Service
Thursday, March 21st at
7:00pm in the Church.**



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