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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

Monday 9 a.m. Tuesday 9 a.m. & 7 p.m. Wednesday 9 a.m. Thursday 9 a.m. & 7 p.m.

Friday 9 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. Baptisms are on the third Sunday of each month at 12:30 p.m.

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

VOLUNTEERING FOR A MINISTRY

To volunteer in ministry or activities, go to our website and complete a volunteering form through the "Help" tile on the hompage.

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 registration 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 $3:30~\rm p.m.$ to ensure publication in the upcoming Sunday Bulletin.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, FRIDAYS FOR 15 MINUTES AFTER 9 AM MASS FOLLOWED BY BENEDICTION

VISIT OUR WEBSITE http://www.stjohnthebaptist.ca for articles & photos of all parish activities.



Mass Intentions

"But all this has come to pass that the writings of the prophets may be fulfilled."

- Matthew 26:5

Monday April 3

Isaiah 42:1-7; John 12:1-11

9 AM – Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday April 4

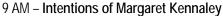
Isaiah 49:1-6; John 13:21-33, 36-38

9 AM – Thanksgiving

7 PM – Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday April 5

Isaiah 50:4-9a; Matthew 26:14-26



Thursday April 6 - Mass of the Lord's Supper

Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; John 13:1-15

9 AM – Wilma Hambruk

7 PM - Mary Hunchik

Friday April 7 - Good Friday

Isaiah 52:13 - 53:12; Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9; John 18:1 - 19:42

3 PM – Liturgy of the Passion

Saturday April 8 - Easter Vigil

8 PM – John O'Boyle

Sunday April 9 - Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-18++

9 AM – Pro Populo (for the parishioners)

11 AM – Deceased members of the Dafnas family



Our Parish

Monday April 3

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday April 4

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – WR

Wednesday April 5

Women's AA Group - 6:15 PM - Hall

Friday April 7

AA Meeting – 8 PM – Hall

Saturday April 8

Men's Group Meeting – 8 AM – Hall

Blessing of the Easter Food – 10 AM – Church

Choir Practice – 4 PM – Church

Easter Confession Schedule:

Wednesday, April 5: 11 a.m. to 12 noon Thursday, April 6: 11 a.m. to 12 noon Friday, April 7: 11 a.m. to 12 noon Saturday, April 8: 11 a.m. to 12 noon

Easter Mass Schedule:

Palm Sunday Masses:

Saturday, April 1: 5 p.m. Sunday, April 2: 9 & 11 a.m.

Chrism Mass (at Christ the King Cathedral Basilica):

Monday, April 3: 2 p.m. (arrive early)

Penitential Celebration with Confessions and Mass

Tuesday, April 4: 7 p.m. **Mass of the Lord's Supper:** Thursday, April 6: 7 p.m.

Good Friday:

April 7: Liturgy of the Passion at 3 p.m.,

Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m.

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass:

Saturday, April 8: 8 p.m. **Easter Sunday Masses:** Sunday, April 9: 9 & 11 a.m.

Also on Holy Saturday, April 8, join us for the **Blessing** of the Easter Foods in the church at 10 a.m.

C.W.L. Message: April's meeting will take place on Monday, April 17 at 7 p.m. in the church hall. As part of a national initiative regarding declining membership and participation of many councils, the League has begun the "Unity Outreach Project." A presentation will be made at the meeting to explore the needs and challenges here at St. John's.

Men of the parish – join us for casual discussion by Men's Group members regarding Catholic men in the world today. A collection will be taken up to cover the costs of the coffee and donuts/muffins. Our next meeting will be on **Saturday**, **April 8** at 8 a.m. in the parish hall. If you would like to contact us, please phone David Foster at 416-892-8819.

Our **Children's Liturgy** group invites all parents to take home a children's bulletin on the stand near the Brant Street doors. These bulletins have colouring and activities related to each Sunday gospel. Please email childrensliturgystjohns@gmail.com or phone Anne Marie at 905-317-3539 for information about our Children's Liturgy program.



The parish office

will be closed on

Good Friday and

Easter Monday.

Personal Prayer

We invite all parishioners and families to come to the church on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday at 11 a.m. for a time of personal prayer and/or Confessions.

Our wonderful custodian, Victor, needs help with recementing the ceiling of the accessible walkway that leads into the parish hall. If you happen to have expertise in this area and would be willing to donate your time to the project in early April, please contact Tim O'Brien at 905-632-2954. Thank you!

Share Lent 2023

The Share Lent collection will remain open for a short time. Please be as generous as you are able. This collection goes a long way in aiding the helpless, the poor and the common good of our brothers and sisters striving for peace and justice.



Please consider attending our weekly **Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help** immediately before the Tuesday evening Mass. We start at 7 p.m. and all are most welcome.

Burlington Food Bank Collection

Please leave your donations of packaged and canned food items in the cupboard near the Brant Street doors if you are able to help with the food collection. Thank you so much for helping our neighbours in need. The Food Bank is extremely grateful.

IN THE DIOCESE

A Note about the Good Friday collection

The Good Friday collection is requested by the Holy See to help maintain the Church's holy places in the Holy Land, so important to the faith of Christians everywhere, and also to support the faithful who struggle to survive under political and economic oppression and persecution. Those who are unable to attend the Good Friday service, or who prefer to contribute online through Canada Helps, please visit www.commissariat.ca/supporting-us.

RESTART: refresh, renew & revive

These get-togethers offer continual support and insights for people as they journey through the divorce/separation process and beyond. Held the second and third Fridays of each month, you can join in person at the Chancery Office or by Zoom. No registration necessary, but for the Zoom link, contact Sarah at 905-528-7988, ext. 2249 or email her at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com.

Caring hearts are available to help you deal with the difficult feelings that often come after an abortion. **Project Rachel** offers a confidential service allowing people to work through their feelings and find hope and healing. Phone 905-526-1999.

Grief Relief

Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Join us on Thursdays from 7-8 p.m. from April 13 to May 18 to learn more about what you are feeling and how to gently move forward. You are not alone! The program will be offered online using Zoom. To register, visit www.hamiltondiocese.com and look for April 13th under upcoming events. To find out more, get in touch with Teresa at 905-528-7988, ext. 2250.

Fr. Mark Morley invites young adults (20s and early 30's) of our Diocese to attend a **Young Adults Night**. Arrival and Holy Hour, 6:30-7:30 pm., social with food, 7:30-8:30 p.m., praise night & vocation testimony, 8-9 p.m. and Compline at 9 p.m. All on Saturday, May 6 at Canadian Martyrs Church, 1349 Main St. W., Hamilton. For more information, contact vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

IN THE COMMUNITY

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Join this peaceful and effective international prayer movement. Through prayer, fasting and public outreach, we keep the vigil (starting February 22) for 40 days from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., one block east of the Oakville Hospital. Visit 40daysforlife.com/Oakville to learn more and get involved.



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