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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

"Were not our hearts burning while he spoke to us on the way and opened the scriptures to us?"

- Luke 24:32

Monday April 24
Acts 6:8-15; John 6:22-29

9 AM – Intentions of the Corral family

Tuesday April 25 - St. Mark

1 Peter 5:5-14; Mark 16:15-20

9 AM - Deceased members of the MacDonald family

7 PM – Intentions of Max Raymond

Wednesday April 26

Acts 8:1b-8; John 6:35-40

9 AM – Stephen Rouse

Thursday April 27

Acts 8:26-40; John 6:44-51

9 AM - Silvio Bozzo

7 PM – Lennard Mayeski

Friday April 28

Acts 9:1-20; John 6:52-59

9 AM – Souls in Purgatory

Saturday April 29 - St. Catherine of Siena

Acts 9:31-42; John 6:53, 60-69++

5 PM – Deceased members of the Rodriguez family

Sunday April 30 - 4th Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14a, 36b-41; 1 Peter 2:20b-25; John 10:1-10

9 AM - Pro Populo

11 AM – Herb Robinson



Our Parish

Monday April 24

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday April 25

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – WR

Wednesday April 26

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

Thursday April 27

St. Vincent de Paul - 8 PM - Hall

Friday April 28

AA Meeting – 8 PM – Hall

Saturday April 29

Choir Practice – 4 PM – Church



C.W.L. Message: The C.W.L. wishes to express our sincere gratitude to all those who made our Easter the beautiful and solemn experience that it was. Our parish is blessed with many who are willing to share their time and talents. Thank you.

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.



We would love to have you join 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.

First Communion

Sunday, May 7 is First Communion Sunday for the children of our parish. The Mass will be at 2 p.m. Let us keep these young people in our prayers and give thanks to all those who helped them on their journey to the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion.



Baptisms

The following children were baptized during March 2023:

Sophia Rodriguez, Heart Pascua, Thomas D'Agostino, Kylah Fernandes & Hayley Sampson

> Congratulations to their parents, Godparents and families



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, please contact Tim O'Brien at 905-632-2954. Thank you!

IN THE DIOCESE

PARENTING TIP – As spring begins we see new life erupting. This is a great chance to point out the beauty of God's creation to your children. Remind them of God's creative power and how he created all this for us, but also gave us the task of caring for his creation. We must nurture and protect God's created world. It is also a chance to remind them that life too has cycles and we can begin anew. The Sacrament of Reconciliation allows us to seek forgiveness and start anew just as nature does each spring.

Bishop Wayne Lobsinger invites everyone to join him for "Evenings with His Excellency." This is an opportunity to learn more about our Catholic Faith, based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Classes are on the second Friday of each month from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at St. Ann Church, Ancaster. They are also available by live stream on St. Ann's YouTube channel. There is no cost, no homework; just an opportunity to learn about our faith. All are welcome.

MARRIAGE TIP – Easter provides us with a clear picture of how much God loves us, since he sent his son to die on the Cross so we could have eternal life. Easter highlights the importance of forgiveness and our call as Catholics to forgive both ourselves and others. Marriage is an essential place to put this call to forgive into action. Forgiveness means showing mercy when mistakes are made and remembering that forgiving allows us to put love first. So, remember to forgive in your marriages so you can both find a place of peace.

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.

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.

Young Adults Night

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

Cross of Victory Pilgrimage Dinner

All you can eat Pasta Dinner, Saturday, May 6, from 6 - 8:30 p.m. in St. John's parish hall. Funds raised support the pilgrims on their annual Walking Pilgrimage to the Martyr's Shrine in Midland. For just \$20, enjoy all you can eat pasta with meat or vegetarian pasta sauce, Caesar salad and garlic bread. Children 10 and under pay just \$10. Donate a cake!! Just sign up by email or phone David at 1-416-892-8819. Reserve tickets with David. Email is CofVPilgrimage@gmail.com. Take out is available!

Toronto March for Life

Join us on May 12 to be a voice for the voiceless in Canada's largest city. This is an opportunity to join with hundreds of other pro-lifers to stand united for the pro-life movement. For more information please visit torontomarchforlife.ca.

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