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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.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER







Monday May 1

Acts 11:1-18; John 10:11-18

9 AM - Richard Utton

Tuesday May 2 - St. Athanasius

Acts 11:19-26; John 10:22-30

9 AM - Intentions of St. Michael's College School staff

7 PM - Intentions of Providence Christian School staff

Wednesday May 3 - St. Philip & St. James

I Corinthians 15:1-8; John 14:6-14

9 AM – Intentions of the Cosentino family

Thursday May 4

Acts 13:13-25; John 13:16-20

9 AM – Owen Lynch

7 PM - Roseanne Bourgouis

Friday May 5

Acts 13:26-33; John 14:1-6

9 AM – Intentions of Bob Ban de Brande

Saturday May 6 - St. François de Laval

2 Timothy 4:1-5; John 10:11-16

5 PM – John Kerr-Taylor

Sunday May 7 – 5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 6:1-7; 1 Peter 2:4-9; John 14:1-12

9 AM – Kathy Hyatt

11 AM – Pro Populo

2 PM – First Communion





Our Parish

Monday May 1

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday May 2

CWL Craft Group - 10 AM - WR

Wednesday May 3

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

Thursday May 4

St. Vincent de Paul - 8 PM - Hall

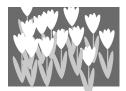
Friday May 5

AA Meeting – 8 PM – Hall

Saturday May 6

Choir Practice – 4 PM – Church

Pilgrimage Pasta Supper – 6 PM – Hall



C.W.L. Message: Thank you to all who attended and contributed to the outreach dialogue at the end of the meeting. The presenter asked us to ponder this question: "If there were no C.W.L. at St. John the Baptist, would we be missed?" May's meeting will take place on Monday, May 8 at 7 p.m. in the parish hall.



SACRED HEART OF JESUS HAVE MERCY ON US

After more than 3 years, we are happy to resume the beautiful and powerful devotion to the **Sacred Heart of Jesus**.

Come and join us **every Thursday** at 9 a.m. and again at 7 p.m. for the devotion and Holy Mass.



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.

May 7 is First Communion Sunday for the children of our parish. Congratulations to these young people, their teachers and parents — please keep them in your prayers.

Men of the parish – join us for casual discussion by Men's Group members regarding Catholic men in the world today. A collection is taken up to cover coffee and donuts/muffins. Our next meeting will be on **Saturday, May 13** at 8 a.m. in the parish hall. If you would like to contact us, please phone David Foster at 416-892-8819.



Baptisms

The following children were baptized on April 23, 2023:

Kayden Albert, Noelle Amadio Aria McManus, Emma Sutherland & Mia Walsh

> Congratulations to their parents, Godparents and families

Our **Children's Liturgy** group invites parents to take home a children's bulletin found 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.

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.

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!

National March for Life – May 11

Visit <u>marchforlife.ca</u> for information on the National March for Life to Parliament Hill in Ottawa, the week of May 7-12.

Toronto March for Life – May 12

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.

Walk for Life – June 3

This family-friendly event brings together pro-lifers to honour the unborn, support the vital work of **Halton Alive** and enjoy a delicious BBQ in community. We will begin the 5k walk at 9:30 a.m. from the lawn of the Burlington Christian Fellowship, 2054 Mountainside Dr., Burlington. Register online at www.haltonalive.ca/w41.



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