ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH

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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

Thursdays at 9 a.m. & 7 p.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

"You of little faith, why did you doubt?"

- Matthew 14:32

Monday August 14 - St. Maximilian Kolbe

Deuteronomy 10:12-22; Matthew 17:22-27

9 AM - Intentions of Sandra Silva

Tuesday August 15 – Assumption of the Virgin Mary

Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Corinthians 15:20-26; Luke 1:39-56

9 AM – Intentions of the Campos Family

7 PM - Intentions of Len & Rita MacDonald

Wednesday August 16

Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Matthew 18:15-20

9 AM - Monica Crave

Thursday August 17

Joshua 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Matthew 18:21-19:1

9 AM - Charles Kinney

7 PM – Intention of the Richard Jepson

Friday August 18

Joshua 24:1-13; Matthew 19:3-12

9 AM - Maria Campos

Saturday August 19

Joshua 24:14-29; Matthew 19:13-15

5 PM – **Anna Aniol**

<u>Sunday August 20</u> – 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 56:1, 6-7; Romans 11:13-15, 29-32; Matthew 15:21-28

9 AM – Collin Boag

11 AM – Pro Populo



Our Parish

Monday August 14

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Wednesday August 16

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

Friday August 18

AA Meeting - 8 PM - Hall





To assist in covering the increasing maintenance expenses in St. John's Church, please consider donating an extra "Toonie" or \$2 in the collection to help offset these expenses if you are able. If you are using cheques, please add \$2 to the amount. Remember to write "Toonie" or "+\$2" on your envelope so the progress can be tracked and reported. Our total so far is \$3,166 and growing. *Thank you!*

UPCOMING MEMORIAL MASS

Announcing a Memorial Mass for those who died during Covid lockdowns and restrictions.

St. John the Baptist parish's doors are wide open once again after the lockdown and restrictions due to Covid. Perhaps you lost a loved one during this period and did not have an opportunity to properly say goodbye. The St. John's Men's Group and our parish family want to make this right with a **Memorial Mass and reception** held on Thursday, September 21 at 7 p.m. For information, please visit our website home page at www.stjohnthebaptist.ca and click on the Memorial Mass tile near the bottom. Please RSVP before Sunday, August 27 by emailing Matt Demeter at stjohnthebaptistmass@gmail.com or by phoning 905-320-5506.

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

By decision of His Excellency Douglas Crosby, our Associate Pastor, Fr. Fernand Pierre has been appointed Administrator of St. Patrick Parish in Cambridge. By the end of August 2023, Fr. Fernand will be leaving our parish. After 6 months of valued service here at St. John's, we all, clergy and laity are so proud of this man of God and we sincerely thank him. Let us keep Fr. Fernand in our daily prayers so that by the grace of God he can be a good shepherd to the people of Cambridge. Consequently to this, we will resume our previous Mass schedule as of September 11, 2023 which means: Monday (No Mass), Tuesday (Mass at 7 p.m.), Wednesday, Thursday and Friday (Mass at 9 a.m.).

IN THE DIOCESE

World Youth Day in the Diocese of Hamilton

Did you know that 39 delegates from the Diocese will be traveling to the international celebration of World Youth Day in Portugal this summer? Please pray for our young people on their journey and keep updated by following us at @officeofyouthministry (Instagram) or on Facebook at "Diocese of Hamilton Office of Youth Ministry."

Grief Relief

Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? Are you wondering if your feelings are normal? You are not alone! The Diocese of Hamilton has grief programs to help. Find out more on the Diocesan website at www.hamiltondiocese.com or phone Teresa at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250. We will have programs running in both Waterloo and Hamilton this fall.

Hamilton Diocese Marian Days are taking place from June to October 2023 at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph. The days consist of confession at 9 am, Mass at 10 am, Rosary procession at 11 am, lunch at 12 noon, Holy Hour and Marian catechesis at 1 pm and Benediction at 2 pm to close each day. Please bring your own lunch (coffee and tea provided). Presiders will be Bishop Wayne Lobsinger (September 2) and Cardinal Thomas Collins (October 7).

Retrouvaille

Retrouvaille is a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages and help couples reconnect. The next Retrouvaille weekend will be held on Oct. 20-22. Email them at teamrecine@gmail.com or phone 905-664-5212.

Parenting tips: Summer should be a time of relaxation, slowed schedules and time spent together as a family. All three of these are essential elements for good mental health for all family members, including children. So, together spend time outdoors, play games, cook or bake and pray because these are the moments that will strengthen your family bond. Take a holiday from social media which can help to prevent the negative mental health issues in children they are known to produce. Renew your commitment to in-person, device-free time together this summer and watch your children thrive. *The Family Ministry Office*, 905-528-7988, ext. 2250.

ReSTART: Moving Forward – Our 10-week program offers support to anyone seeking to heal and move forward after a divorce or separation. The sessions will run from Sept. 19-Nov. 28 and take place from 7-9 p.m. at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. W. in person, or by zoom. Cost is \$35 for materials, but no one is turned away. To register, please call Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or email familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com.

Marriage tips: When we say "I do" during our marriage vows we are really saying "I will." I will love this person even in moments when they may feel unloveable. I will not look for a 50/50 split in what we do, but will be a partner who will give more, and sometimes have to take more, depending on the circumstances of our lives. I will look to find a solution instead of winning. I will spend time with you so we stay connected and in love. remember the commitment I made to be faithful and seek to make you a better person and accept your attempts to do the same for me. Marriage, taken as an action word, continues to grow and thrive despite the challenges life may throw at you and it produces a love that strengthens as the years pass. *The Family* Ministry Office, 905-528-7988, ext. 2250.

Project Rachel

If you are struggling after an abortion – either your own or someone else's, Project Rachel is available to help find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905-526-1999.



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