

# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH

(FOUNDED IN 1849)

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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 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon

## WEEKEND LITURGY

Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

## WEEKDAY LITURGY

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00 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 to register for parent meeting for Baptism.

## 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](http://www.vocationinfo.ca)

## MINISTRY TO SICK/SHUT-INS

Please notify the Rectory Office and arrange Communion.

## 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 census 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 p.m. to ensure publication in the upcoming Sunday Bulletin.

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT EVERY FRIDAY AFTER 9 AM MASS - 12 NOON**



# Mass Intentions

*"You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition."*

- Mark 7:8

## Monday August 31

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Luke 4:16-30 – No Mass

## Tuesday September 1

1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, 9-11; Luke 4:31-37

7 PM – Italo Borraccetti

## Wednesday September 2

Colossians 1:1-8; Luke 4:38-44

9 AM – Clary & Harvey Wilbur

## Thursday September 3 – St. Gregory the Great

Colossians 1:9-14; Luke 5:1-11

9 AM – Mary & John Lesich

## Friday September 4

Colossians 1:15-20; Luke 5:33-39

9 AM – Intentions of Richard & Carole Geofroy

## Saturday September 5

Colossians 1:21-23; Luke 6:1-5

5 PM – Bill Wilkinson

## Sunday September 6 – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 35:4-7; James 2:1-5; Mark 7:31-37

9 AM – Pro Populo (for the parishioners)

11 AM – Ann Enright



## Our Parish

## Monday August 31

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

## Tuesday September 1

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

## Wednesday September 2

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA 6:15 PM – Hall

## Thursday September 3

Cenacle Group 9:30 AM – WR

Christian Meditation – 12:30 – WR

## Friday September 4

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall

## Sunday September 6

Baptism Preparation Meeting – 10 AM – WR



**Reminder: The office will be closed on Labour Day, Monday, September 7, 2015.**

## C.W.L. Message

All parishioners – please mark your calendars for our **General Meeting** on Monday, September 14 at 7 p.m. to come and hear our interesting **guest speaker**, Grace Belliveau from "Seniors to Seniors." She will present options seniors have when it comes to ageing independently and also what kind of help is available for those taking care of elderly loved ones.

The women in the **Craft Group** are in the hall every Tuesday morning from 10 - 12 noon. They welcome your donations of new and gently used items, decorative items, small electrical appliances and softcover books (no hardcover books please).

## WEEKEND OFFERTORY COLLECTION

August 9, 2015.....	\$4,484.05
# of envelopes.....	254
August 16, 2015.....	\$4,376.50
# of envelopes.....	235
August 23, 2015.....	\$4,603
# of envelopes.....	243

## Childrens' Liturgy News

The Children's Liturgy takes place throughout the school year on Sundays during the 11 o'clock Mass. This year, the Childrens' Liturgy will commence on Sunday, September 13 and welcomes children from Junior Kindergarten to Grade 4. Please find a sign-up sheet on tables at the church entrances.

**Reminder: please note that this year's opening school Mass will take place at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 23.**

## RCIA

Have you been considering becoming a Catholic? Do you identify with this community of faith but have not been able to participate fully in the sacramental life of the church? The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) begins in the fall. We welcome your inquiries and also people who might be interested in coming out as sponsors once a week. Please phone the church office at 905-634-2485.

## IN THE DIOCESE

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### THE RED MASS

The annual **Red Mass** will be celebrated at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton on Wednesday, September 9 at 9:30 a.m. The St. Thomas More Lawyers' Guild sponsors this annual Mass that originated in the 13th century. The faithful come together to invoke the wisdom of the Holy Spirit upon all those who work in the court system, law enforcement and protective services: we pray for Divine guidance and strength upon them and all that they do for society. The celebrant for this Mass is the Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, Bishop of Hamilton. Fr. Ian Duffy, pastor of St. Ann's Parish is the homilist. All are welcome to this great annual tradition of worship and prayer.

**LEARNING TO COPE (Level 1)** is a ten week support program starting Tuesday, September 22 (7 to 9:30 pm) at the Chancery Office, 700 King St. W, Hamilton. The program is for persons experiencing difficulties as a result of a separation or divorce. For more information, please phone the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988, ext. 2249. Cost: \$35. Past participants are welcome to inquire about further Levels programs starting the same week.

**KEYS TO LOVING RELATIONSHIPS** is a **ten week video-based program** meant for anyone (married or single) who is looking for a more meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. The program runs Thursday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. starting September 24 at the Chancery Office, 700 King St. W, Hamilton. The cost is \$45.00. For more information, phone the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249.

### CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES FOR CHILDREN

The Hamilton Diocese provides correspondence programs for Catholic children from Kindergarten through high school, not receiving religious instruction to prepare them for the sacraments. To register, phone Monica at the Catechesis Office of the Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238.

## IN THE SCHOOL

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### School Registration

Registration for the 2015/2016 school year has been set for the week of September 1. Parents are asked to contact the school directly for information regarding office hours. Elementary students registering for the first time in Halton Catholic District Schools are required to produce a proof of age, updated immunization records and a Roman or Eastern Rite Catholic Baptismal certificate. If the child has no Baptismal certificate, the child may be admitted if one parent can provide a Roman or Eastern Rite Catholic Baptismal certificate for themselves. The phone number for St. John Catholic Elementary School is 905-632-3541.

If you have lost the original and need a **replacement Catholic Baptismal Certificate** for your child (*or* for a parent), contact the church of baptism for a replacement. Please note, requests for replacements are handled on a first-come, first-served basis and may take a number of days to be produced depending on the number of requests and scheduling.

## IN OTHER PARISHES

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The Legion of Mary, Hamilton will host a **Rosary and Procession** to honour Our Blessed Mother Mary at St. Mary's Church, 146 Park St. N. on Sunday, September 13 at 3:30 p.m. Refreshments to follow.

## IN THE COMMUNITY




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### ADOPTION INFORMATION NIGHT

Have you considered adoption? Would you like to hear more about the process through CCASH? Come to an Information Night on Wednesday, September 16 starting at 7 p.m. at the Catholic Children's Aid Society, 735 King St. E., Hamilton. For information and to register, phone Jocelyn at 905-525-2012, ext. 3125. The website is [www.hamiltonccas.on.ca](http://www.hamiltonccas.on.ca).

*For information on the priesthood or religious life, talk to the pastor or visit the vocation area of the Diocesan website at [www.vocationinfo.ca](http://www.vocationinfo.ca).*



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