

# 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 no Mass Tuesday 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday 9:00 a.m. Thursday 9:00 a.m.  
Friday 9:00 a.m.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday 6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.  
Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. and by appointment

## OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS

Tuesday evening Mass

## SACRED HEART DEVOTION

Thursdays at 9:00 a.m.

**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.**

## 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](http://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 homepage.

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



## Masses For The Week

### Mass Intentions

#### **Monday December 15**

Numbers 24:2-7, 15-17a; Matthew 21:23-27- *No Mass*

#### **Tuesday December 16**

Zephaniah 3.1-2, 9-13; Matthew 21.28-32

7PM – Roberta Scime

#### **Wednesday December 17**

Genesis 49.2, 8-10; Matthew 1.1-17

9AM – Gordon Lamming

#### **Thursday December 18**

Jeremiah 23.5-8; Matthew 1.18-24

9AM – James Hanrahan / Freda De Jesus

#### **Friday December 19**

Judges 13.2-7, 24-25a; Luke 1.5-25

9AM – Elsa & John Lucas

#### **Saturday December 20**

Isaiah 7:10-14; 8.10d; Luke 1.26-38

5 PM – Jim and Mary Hourigan

#### **Sunday December 21** – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 7:10-14; Romans 1:1-7; Matthew 1:18-24

9 AM – Pro Populo (for the parishioners)

11 AM – Harry Zahoruk

## Schedule of Events

#### **Monday December 15**

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

#### **Tuesday December 16**

Advent Retreat – (7PM – Church)

#### **Wednesday December 17**

Choir Practice - (Choir Loft – 7PM)

#### **Thursday December 18**

St. Vincent de Paul - 8PM – (Bread packing – Hall)

#### **Friday December 19**

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall

Advent School Mass - 9:00



*Readiness to do good to someone who hates us is a characteristic of perfect love alone – St. Maximus the Confessor*

## IN OUR PARISH



### **Sunday Offerings**

Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025:

\$5,854.44

**Thank you for your generous support!**

*Welcome to all who are visiting our Parish! We pray that you are nourished by our Liturgy. If you are new to our community, please fill out a registration form and return it to the office or place in it the collection*



*basket. Registration forms are located at all doors of the Church and online at [www.stjohnthebaptist.ca](http://www.stjohnthebaptist.ca).*

*You are welcome to contact the office to obtain a personal set of Church envelopes if you would like one, or you can opt to register for Pre-Authorized Debit – forms are available at all Church entrances.*

### **TWO EVENTS TO CLOSE THE JUBILEE YEAR**

#### **SPIRIT OF HOPE COLLECTION**

The diocese has asked all Parishes to dedicate a “Spirit of Hope Collection” to help the Poor in their Community. Here at St. John’s the Knights of Columbus will take that special collection, as a second collection on December 20<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025. The total proceeds will go to some charitable organizations in Burlington. Please be generous as you have been always.

#### **CLOSING MASS OF THE JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE**

On the feast day of The Holy Family, Sunday December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025 a special Mass will be celebrated and concluded with a solemn blessing. All parishioners are invited to attend Saturday, December 27<sup>th</sup>, 5pm and Sunday December 28<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am and 11:00am.

### ADVENT 2025



The exciting season of Advent leading to Christmas (Christ's Birth) is near. Adventus in Latin means "Coming" Jesus came into the world bringing the True Joy to all humanity and the whole creation. He will come again!

**ADVENT** is a period of four Sundays to prepare ourselves spiritually for the second coming of The Messiah, The King of all times.

Here is the program offered to each of our parishioners, please consider taking part.

#### FIRST Sunday of Advent Masses

**November 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>** - Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday 9:00am and 11:00am

#### Advent Retreat

**December 16<sup>th</sup>** – Tuesday 7:00pm – 8:30pm with a presentation, meditations, singing and Holy Mass; followed by refreshments in the Parish Hall.

#### Special times for Confessions

**December 10<sup>th</sup>** - Wednesday 12:00 noon – 1pm

**December 11<sup>th</sup>** - Thursday 12:00 noon – 1pm

**December 12<sup>th</sup>** - Friday 12:00 noon – 1pm

**WITH GREAT JOY, WE ARE PREPARING  
TO WELCOME OUR SAVIOUR  
JESUS-CHRIST IN OUR LIVES.**



### ST JOHN'S YOUTH MINISTRY

We are now ready to launch a new project in our parish, A YOUTH MINISTRY with two sections: first being 14 – 18-year-old students and the second being 19 – 30-year-old Adults. Come to learn and have fun in a catholic ambiance on Saturday night after mass in the Parish hall. **When?**

Saturday, January 17, 2026, 6:15pm – 8:30pm with the **Adult Group**.

Saturday, January 17, 2026, 6:15pm – 8:30pm with the **young adult group**.

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### ANGEL TREE



Once again parishioners will have the opportunity to bring some joy to others at Christmas time. The Angel Tree will be set up at the Brant Street Narthex from Saturday Nov. 22 to Sunday Dec. 14. Please choose a suggested donation from the tree; kindly include the angel with the unwrapped item(s) and place it in the container next to the tree. Gifts will be given to families in our parish school community, requiring support. We thank you for your support and generosity!!!

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### BECOMING CATHOLIC

One of the great services offered by our Parish is "the Adult Catechetical Program or Faith Formation" started in September. Those candidates are well prepared to receive the 3 Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Holy Eucharist, and Confirmation. Those who did not register in time should now wait for next September. We encourage them to come to Mass on Sunday and talk to the Priest at the end of the celebration. They can also call the parish office for an appointment with the Pastor. The last Easter Vigil we had thirteen candidates receiving the Sacraments.

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## IN THE DIOCESE

### THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT - DECEMBER 14, 2025

"See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you." Are you one to be sent? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

Email: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

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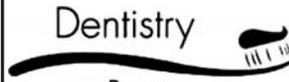


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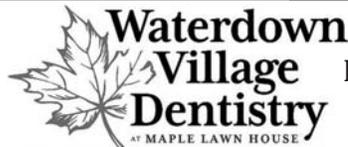
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