

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH

(FOUNDED IN 1849)

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Feast of the Holy Family



Masses For The Week

Mass Intentions

Monday December 29 – St. Thomas Becket

1 John 2.3-11; Luke 2.22-35 No Mass

Tuesday December 30

1 John 2.12-17; Luke 2.36-40

7PM – Avery Pegado

Wednesday December 31– St. Sylvester 1

1 John 2.18-21; John 1.1-18

9AM – Avery Pegado / Mr. & Mrs. Cecil Crowe

5PM – Freda de Jesus

Thursday January 1 – Mary Holy Mother of God

Numbers 6.22-27; Galatians 4.4-7; Luke 2.16-21

9AM – Tony LePore / Rizalina Ramos

Friday January 2– St. Basil the Great / St. Gregory Nazianzen

1 John 2.22-28; John 1.19-28

9AM – Avery Pegado / Mr. & Mrs. Cecil Crowe

Saturday January 3– The Most Holy name of Jesus

1 John 2.29; 3.1-6; John 1.29-34

5 PM – Irene Pariseau

Sunday January 4– Epiphany of the Lord

Isaiah 60.1-6; Ephesians 3.2-3a, 5-6; Matthew 2.1-12

9 AM – Pro Populo (for the parishioners)

11 AM – James Hanrahan / Vincente De Guzman Jr.



IN OUR PARISH



Sunday Offerings

Sunday, December 21st, 2025: The Bulletin was printed in advance of the holidays, update to follow.

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. 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.

Schedule of Events

Monday December 29

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Thursday January 1

New Years Day

Friday January 2

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall

OFFICE CLOSED

Monday January 5

OFFICE RE-OPENS

OFFICE CLOSURE

The office will be closed on December 26th, 30th and 31st, 2025 and will reopen on January 5th 2026.

Wishing you safe travels and a very Happy New Year!!



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST COUNCIL #18496

Winter Warmth Initiative Nov. 22 – March 22

Help keep our School and our St. Vincent De Paul neighbours warm this winter. Please consider donating new winter hats, mitts, and socks, (the collection bin is at the Blairholm entrance of the church).



Money donations are accepted by E-transfer funds 18496kofc@gmail.com



2026 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Are available for pick up at the back of the Church, and are arranged alphabetically on the tables. Please contact the Parish Office if you currently do not have envelopes but would like a box, **or if you no longer wish to have envelopes or changed your address**, please notify the office as well.

NEW (NEW) FLAT ROOF

The new flat roof that had been installed less than five years ago has been a source of leaks and anxiety since day-1. Thanks to Bishop Crosby, the Diocese has generously stepped in to pay the cost of replacing the new roof at a cost of nearly \$70,000. Sibbald Roofing was the contractor awarded the job from a list of 4 invited qualified roofing contractors. The project, which consisted of removing the existing roof and building it back up to include sloped insulation, and a new drain has now been completed with a 15-year warranty. Thank you to Sibbald Roofing, Jocelyn Roofing Consultants, and the Diocese for helping us with this important project.

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.



SHARON Ann Bertrand Aged 88

Her Funeral Mass took place at our Parish on Friday, December 19th, 2025



Kindly pray for her family's consolation.

IN THE DIOCESE

PARENTING TIP #174 Christmas is a wonderful time of year! We see family, experience the joys of gift giving and receiving and have some time as a family just to be. It is however, more than any of these things, the celebration of the birth of Christ. In the hustle and bustle of the season we can forget to focus on this moment, where a child came into the world so that each of us could experience the profound gift of Salvation. This Christmas, enjoy all the fun stuff, but remember to focus, through stories, Mass, prayer and discussions, on the joy of Christ's birth and the real reason for the season. (From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)

MARRIAGE TIP #154 Marriage is a journey that two people undertake with a plan to navigate life together. When researchers investigate what makes the journey both long and happy, many things come into play, but a strong one is repeated by most: “I married my best friend.” It is good to ask yourself then, are you being a good friend to your spouse? Do you spend time together, share parts of your day, invite them to share in an event with you, watch a movie together, or even a series that can become together time? Do you call once in a while to say hello during the time you are not together and plan time for your spouse in your agenda – everyday? Are you patient when they make a mistake, are not perfect, or let you down? Friendships thrive and last in this kind of environment, so make friendship a foundation of your marriage.

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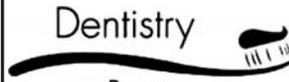


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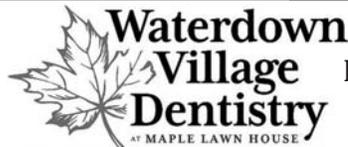
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