

# 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

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.

**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 of the Week

*Light rises in the darkness  
for the upright.*

- Psalm 111

**Monday February 6** – *St. Paul Miki & Companions*

Genesis 1:1-19; Mark 6:53-56 – No Mass

**Tuesday February 7**

Genesis 1:20-2:4a; Mark 7:1-13

7 PM – Frank Huyge

**Wednesday February 8**

Genesis 2:4b-9, 15-17; Mark 7:14-23

9 AM – Joe Galea

**Thursday February 9**

Genesis 2:18-25; Mark 7:24-30

9 AM – Judith Reyes

**Friday February 10** – *St. Scholastica*

Genesis 3:1-8; Mark 7:31-37

9 AM – Armando Sbrissa

**Saturday February 11**

Genesis 3:9-24; Mark 8:1-10

5 PM – Giuseppina Trigiani

**Sunday February 12** – *6th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Sirach 15:15-20; 1 Corinthians 2:6-10; Matthew 5:17-37

9 AM – Pro Populo (for the parishioners)

11 AM – Lawrence Abbott



### Our Parish

**Monday February 6**

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

**Tuesday February 7**

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – WR

**Wednesday February 8**

Women's AA Group – 6:15 PM – Hall

**Friday February 10**

AA Meeting – 8 PM – Hall

**Saturday February 11**

Choir Practice – 4 PM – Church



### C.W.L. Message

The C.W.L. Executive wants to thank those who have taken steps to renew, join or donate to our League. It is heart-warming to know that this tradition here at St. John's will continue with your prayers, participation and support. It is not too late to join. Please make sure we have your name, address and phone number. Thank you!

### Men of the Parish!

Please come out for casual fellowship with men of the parish this coming Saturday, February 11 at 8 a.m. in the parish hall. This is the return of the **St. John the Baptist Men's Group!** Meeting monthly on the second Saturday of the month, we hope to socialize over a brief presentation and casual discussion by Men's Group members regarding Catholic men in the world today. A collection will be taken up at the meeting to cover the costs of the coffee and donuts/muffins. See you there!

### Celebrating Confirmation

On the weekend Masses of January 28/29, we had 15 students enroll for Confirmation. We congratulate them as we journey with them in the faith and love of Jesus. Let us keep these young people and their sponsors, parents and teachers in our prayers. Our church will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday, March 1 at 7 p.m.

### Share Lent 2023

If anyone is interested in joining us in planning some activities for the Lenten season, please phone 905-639-5949.



**Ash Wednesday** will be here on February 22. Are you prepared? Lent is a time for repentance, change of heart and prayer. Give some thought now to prepare for your Lenten practice.

*Church envelopes for 2023 are available for pickup at the PARISH OFFICE. To pick up your envelopes from the office, just pop in during open hours. If you do not have regular Sunday envelopes, this can be done also by visiting the parish office to obtain a set. If you are new to the parish, registration forms are available near all the church entrances and can be dropped into the collection basket or you can obtain one from the parish office or from the website.*

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## IN THE DIOCESE

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### **Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass**

Are you celebrating your 25, 40, 50, 60 or 60+ wedding anniversary in 2023? If so, you are invited to join couples from across the Diocese for a Mass on Sunday, April 16 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30 p.m. (Space allows for anniversary couples only – those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance.) Registration is now available through the Diocesan website at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

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### **Evenings with His Excellency**

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.

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### **RESTART: moving forward**

This is a new and updated 10-week program offering support to anyone seeking to heal and move forward after divorce or separation. The program runs on Tuesdays from March 21 to May 23, 7-9 p.m. at the Chancery Office. You are also welcome to join our zoom classroom if preferred. The cost is \$25 for materials but no one is turned away. Registration is required so please phone Sarah at 905-528-7988, ext. 2249 or email [familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com).

Children in our parishes benefit from the **Catechetical Correspondence Program** for ongoing religious education and preparation for the sacraments. We need volunteers so if you are willing to accompany these children in their learning journey, please contact the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis at [catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com).

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**YOU CAN HELP YOUR MARRIAGE.** Are you frustrated or angry at each other or have you just stopped talking to each other? The **Retrouvaille Program** helps couples through difficult times to rediscover the relationship that drew you together. For confidential information about, or to register for the program on March 10, 11, 12, please phone 905-664-5212 or email [1013@helpourmarriage.org](mailto:1013@helpourmarriage.org).

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### **Catholic Date Night**

Are date nights with your spouse tiring into Netflix binge nights? Would you prefer to grow in faith and prayer together? Do you wish you had a community of Catholic couples to truly journey with? It’s time to level up your marriage vocation with the Catholic Date Night. Enjoy the live monthly date nights from the comfort of your own home. Subscribe at [www.wearefoundtogether.com/datenights](http://www.wearefoundtogether.com/datenights) and follow on Instagram @TheCatholicDateNight for a date night inspiration and more.

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**MARRIAGE TIP** – Parents are the first and foremost teachers about relationships for their children. It is good now and then to take a quick check and ask if your marriage and the way you interact with each other is what you hope your children’s relationships will be when they grow up. If the answer is no, as a couple you deserve to find a way to create for yourselves the kind of relationship you want for your children. Seek support, read together relationship self-help books and/or consider attending a Retrouvaille weekend with the Diocese. Marriages cannot be perfect all the time, but they should be lived in a way that makes you proud to pass on to your children. (From Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988, ext. 2250.)





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