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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

Jesus teaches about God's reign in parables.

Monday July 24

Exodus 14:5-18; Matthew 12:38-42

9 AM – Intentions of the Roy & Bennett families

Tuesday July 25 - St. James

2 Corinthians 4:7-15; Matthew 20:20-28

9 AM - Pat McFarlane

7 PM – Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday July 26 - St. Anne & St. Joachim

Sirach 44:1, 8, 10-15; Matthew 13:16-17

9 AM – John Lucas

Thursday July 27

Exodus 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Matthew 13:10-17

9 AM - Bill & Eleanor Foltas

7 PM - Joseph Rubinic

Friday July 28

Exodus 20:1-17; Matthew 13:18-23

9 AM – Madeleine Cardinal

Saturday July 29 - Sts. Martha, Mary & Lazarus

Exodus 24:3-8; Luke 10:38-42

5 PM – Jordan Achiume

Sunday July 30 – 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kings 3:5-12++; Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 13:44-52

9 AM – Pro Populo

11 AM – Harith Yonan



Our Parish

Monday July 24

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Wednesday July 26

Women's AA Group – 6:15 PM – Hall

Friday July 28

AA Meeting - 8 PM - Hall





SACRED HEART OF JESUS HAVE MERCY ON US

Come and join us every Thursday at 9 a.m. and again at 7 p.m. for the Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Holy Mass.



We would love to have you join our weekly **Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help** immediately before the Tuesday evening Mass. We start at 7 p.m. and all are most welcome.

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.

Anyone still holding tickets for the cancelled **2023 Pilgrimage Pasta Dinner** can be reimbursed by visiting the parish office any time that it's open, Monday to Thursday or phone for assistance.

Toonie Sundays

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 \$2479 and growing*. Thank you!

Together at Baptism

Welcomed into our parish community through Baptism on July 16, 2023:

Airi Iafrate

Congratulations to her parents, Godparents and family.

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."

Young Adults Night – August 5

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our Diocese to attend a night of adoration, fellowship and praise music. Arrival and Holy Hour in the church (6:30-7:30 p.m.), social with food (7:30-8:30 p.m.), praise night and testimony (8-9 p.m.) and compline at 9 p.m. Taking place on Saturday, August 5 at St. Mary of the Visitation, 16 Cooper St., Cambridge. Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information contact vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

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 Gerard Bergie (August 5), 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.

Are you a student interested in pursuing medical school? The Dr. H. Patrick and Mrs. Gayle E. Cunningham Medical Scholarship has been established to provide grants for Catholics who want to pursue medical school. If you are interested, please apply before the application deadline of July 28, 2023. If you have any questions please contact Mary Claire Morgan at mcmorgan@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.

If you are struggling after an abortion – either your own or someone else's, **Project Rachel** is available to help. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, to find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905-526-1999.



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