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.

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

"The Father has rescued us from the power of darkness..."

- Colossians 1:13

Monday November 21 – Presentation of Mary

Revelation 14:1-3, 4b-5; Luke 21:1-4 - No Mass

Tuesday November 22 - St. Cecilia

Revelation 14:14-19; Luke 21:5-11

7 PM – Fr. David Oliveire

Wednesday November 23

Revelation 15:1-4; Luke 21:12-19

9 AM – Joseph Bajus

Thursday November 24 - St. Andrew

Revelation 18:1-2, 21-23, 19:1-3, 9a; Luke 21:20-28

9 AM – Deceased members of the Avery family

Friday November 25

Revelation 20:1-4, 11-15, 21:1-2; Luke 21:29-33

9 AM – Judith McGinlay

Saturday November 26

Revelation 22:1-7; Luke 21:34-36

5 PM – Wilma Hambruk

Sunday November 27 - 1st Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 2:1-5; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:37-44

9 AM – J. Kirk Achiume

11 AM – Pro Populo (for the parishioners)



Our Parish

Monday November 21

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday November 22

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – WR

Wednesday November 23

Women's AA Group - 6:15 PM - Hall

Friday November 25

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall

Saturday November 26

Choir Practice - 4 PM - Church





C.W.L. Message

The women of the C.W.L. would like to thank all those who, in any way, contributed to the St. John's Christmas Bazaar – volunteers, donors and attendees. We would also like to thank those who support our Catholic Women's League through membership, service and prayer.

ST. JOHN'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

THANK YOU to all the volunteers who helped and the parishioners who attended the 2022 St. John's Christmas Bazaar. Thanks to your support, the event was a success. We raised approximately \$8,500 which will be used to improve the church hall entrances for accessibility and to purchase more efficient appliances for the parish hall kitchen. In addition, donations will be sent to the National Catholic Daily Mass broadcast, Good Shepherd Centre and the Martha, Brennan and Notre Dame Houses. Our good works are possible because of your support. Thank you, again.

Attention Parishioners!! The St. Vincent de Paul, C.W.L. and the Knights of Columbus are happy to announce that we are bringing back the weekly food collection for the **Burlington Food Bank**. The cupboard is located in the Brant Street main doors entrance area. Thank you in advance for supporting the "Neighbours in Need" program at St. John's.

Children's Liturgy is offered at the 11 a.m. Mass for children in JK to Grade 3. Volunteers are always welcome. Available at the back of the church is a new weekly children's bulletin for children to enjoy a colouring page and crayons for the younger family members who may be too young to take part. Our email is: childrensliturgystjohns@gmail.com.

Christmas Poinsettia Sponsorship

If you would like to sponsor a poinsettia which will be added to the altar Christmas display on December 10, please email <u>stjohnsevents12@gmail.com</u> or phone the office to have your information passed on. Please indicate whether you want to sponsor an 8" (red or white) for \$34 or a 6" (red or white) for \$15.

Donations of Flowers for the Altar

The altar flowers have been generously donated in loving memory of Aldo Joseph Contardi and family. Thank you! If you would like to donate altar flowers in memory of a loved one or to commemorate a special occasion, please send an email to stjohnsevents12@gmail.com or phone the parish office at 905-634-2485 to let us know. We would like to acknowledge your gift of altar flowers and our appreciation in the parish bulletin.

New Sunday Missals are available for sale at the church doors at a cost of \$4 each if you wish to purchase one (while the supply lasts).

2023 Mission Calendars

Catholic Missions calendars are available for sale for \$3 each at the church entrance near Brant Street for as long as the supply lasts. Please leave your payment in the brown and white literature envelopes provided.

IN THE DIOCESE

RESTART: Refresh, Renew, Revive – a gathering for separated and divorced individuals offering learning, support and fun. These get-togethers offer continue support and insights for people on their journey through the divorce/separation process and beyond. Held on the 2nd and 3rd Fridays of each month, you can join in person or by ZOOM. Come to the Chancery Office at 700 King St. W. or phone for the ZOOM link at 905-528-7988, ext. 2249.

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 Basalica 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 will be available by mid-November at www.hamiltondiocese.com.

Coping with the holidays when you have lost a loved one – Join us for an afternoon of reflection and strategies on coping at Christmas. This gathering will be held at the Chancery Office, 700 King St. W., on Sunday, November 27 from 1:30-3 p.m. Free of charge. Phone Sarah to reserve a seat or to receive the ZOOM link, 905-528-7988, ext. 2249 or email her at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com.

Catechetical Correspondence Program

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.

Project Rachel is available to help anyone struggling after an abortion. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis with a trained counsellor to find hope and healing. Please phone 905-526-1999. Your call is important to us.

Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre (437 Wilson St. E., Ancaster) is hosting an **Open House and Christmas Market** on December 10 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Guests are welcome to tour the grounds and buildings, enjoy some seasonal refreshments and do some Crhistmas shopping. For more information about Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre, visit www.mountmary.ca

Young Adults Night

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (20s and early 30s) of our diocese to attend a night of adoration, fellowship and praise music. Arrival and holy hour (6:30-7:30 p.m.), social with food (7:30-8:30 p.m.), praise night and vocation testimony (8-9 p.m.) and compline at 9 p.m. Held on Saturday, December 3 at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate (28 Norfolk St, Guelph). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For information, visit vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.



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