

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH

(FOUNDED IN 1849)

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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 6:15 - 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 9:00 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

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.



Mass Intentions

Monday October 2 – *Holy Guardian Angels*

Exodus 23:20-23a; Matthew 18:1-5, 10 – *No Mass*

Tuesday October 3

Zechariah 8:20-23; Luke 9:51-56

7 PM – Intentions of the Bennett family

Wednesday October 4 – *St. Francis of Assisi*

Nehemiah 2:1-8; Luke 9:57-62

9 AM – Souls in Purgatory

Thursday October 5

Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Luke 10:1-12

9 AM – Deceased members of the La Flamme family

Friday October 6

Baruch 1:15-22; Luke 10:13-16

9 AM – Germaine Breau

Saturday October 7 – *Our Lady of the Rosary*

Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29; Luke 10:17-24

5 PM – Danny Hourigan

Sunday October 8

Isaiah 5:1-7; Philippians 4:6-9; Matthew 21:33-43

9 AM – Pro Populo

11 AM – Lillian Kane



Our Parish

Monday October 2

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Wednesday October 4

Women's AA Group – 6:15 PM – Hall

Friday October 6

AA Meeting – 8 PM – Hall

C.W.L. Message

Please note that our October meeting will take place on the Monday after Thanksgiving – October 16 at 7 p.m. in the Church Hall. As mentioned in your letter, important issues concerning St. John's Council will be discussed and voted on. Members, your attendance and input are greatly appreciated.



THE SYNOD ON SYNODALITY

On October 4, Pope Francis will open the Synod on Synodality: Communion, Participation, Mission. Listening to every member of the Body of Christ is fundamental to demonstrating Communion. Let us pray daily in our homes and at church for the success of this great opportunity for our Universal Church to learn and to grow.

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 \$4,460 and growing. *Thank you!*

The September 21 Memorial Mass for our beloved who passed away during Covid lockdowns and restrictions was a huge success. Thank you to all who attended and participated, as well as all whose time and efforts made the Mass and reception all the more memorable. A special thanks to Dodsworth & Brown and Smith's Funeral Homes for their generous donations.

40 Days for Life Sept. 27 – Nov. 5

The mission of the campaign is to bring together the body of Christ in a spirit of unity during a focused 40 days of prayer, fasting and peaceful witness to end abortion and bring healing to women suffering from the effects of abortion. If you'd like more information and also choose a timeslot, please visit the website at 40daysforlife.com/oakville.

The Synod Prayer

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.
With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life
and not stray from the way of truth
and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work
in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son,
forever and ever. Amen.

Volunteering at St. John the Baptist Parish

As a new year begins, we are looking for volunteers for various church events. Volunteers are required to read the description of volunteer roles (provided) and to fill out the Volunteer Information Form which has your contact information recorded for LOW risk volunteers.

The HIGH risk volunteers are required to do the volunteer form along with a police check which includes: anyone working with children, handling money or working with vulnerable people. We will be offering dates in the next few weeks to anyone who needs assistance completing forms and with police checks. Please email the following coordinators for forms or any further questions:

loismorrisonhuq@gmail.com

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IN THE DIOCESE

Development & Peace Fall Campaign - **Create Hope: Stand for the Land.** ERIC-Radio Progreso asks that we support the defenders of human rights and the environment in Honduras. Since 2015, certain communities have been fighting to preserve their rivers and the Carlos Escaleras National Park from mining. For information, visit devp.org/campaign.

Catechetical Correspondence Courses - Programs are available for children from Kindergarten through high school who are not currently receiving religious instruction (i.e. in a public or private, not Catholic school). These instructions will prepare your child for the reception of the sacraments of **Reconciliation, 1st Communion and Confirmation.** For information and registration forms, phone the Catechesis Office in the Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, ext. 2239.

The Final Hamilton Diocese Marian Day is taking place at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph. Confession at 9 a.m., Mass at 10 a.m., Rosary procession at 11 a.m., lunch at 12 noon, Holy Hour and Marian catechesis at 1 p.m. and Benediction at 2 p.m. to close. Please bring your own lunch (coffee and tea provided). The final presider will be Cardinal Thomas Collins on Saturday, October 7.

Retrouvaille is a program for married couples facing challenges in their relationship and 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.

Project Rachel

Caring hearts are available to help you deal with the difficult feelings that often come after an abortion. Project Rachel offers a confidential service allowing people to work through their feelings and find hope and healing. Phone 905-526-1999.



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