

# THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE

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## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*The St. John the Apostle parish community, inspired by the Holy Spirit, strives to witness to the presence of Christ*  
 (Parish established October 8, 1966)

Pastor: Rev. Emeka Onyeogubalu  
 Deacon: Deacon Victor Mesta  
 Office Administrator: Veronika Jakelic  
 Bookkeeping: Joanne Bazdell  
 Maintenance: Steve Short

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday -Thursday, 9:00 - 12:00; 1:00 - 3:30

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Baptismal preparation is required. Please call the Parish Office 613-829-1760.

## SACRAMENTS OF FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION:

Please call the Parish Office 613-829-1760.

## SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:

Preparation is required.  
 Please call the Parish Office 613-829-1760 at least nine months in advance.

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:** Please call the Parish Office 613-829-1760 to make arrangements.

**FUNERAL ENQUIRIES:** Please contact the Parish Office 613-829-1760.

**FINANCE COUNCIL:** Ray Kostuch (Chair) John Schembri  
 Chris Pereira Marie Weerasooriya-Epps

**BUILDING COMMITTEE:** Gino Brancatelli (Chair) Paul Gillis  
 John Schembri Don Percy/Adel  
 Iskandar

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:** Mary Jean Thompson (Chair)  
 Rosemary Fikis Heather Petti Nancy Simon  
 Fred Adibe Deacon Victor Mesta Jeff Alguire  
 Christine Buccione Richard Abakah-Akumah

## Sunday Eucharist

Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:30 am,  
 Children's Liturgy generally at 10:30am Mass (Sept. to June)

## Weekday Liturgy

Eucharist: Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri at 9:00 am  
 and 1st Saturday of month: 9:00 am

Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet: prayed before weekday Mass 8:30am  
 Eucharistic Adoration: First Friday of the Month, following 9am Mass  
 until 10:30am

**CONFESSIONS:** 8:30 am Tuesday - Friday  
 Saturdays 4:00 - 4:30 pm; and on request

## PARISH MINISTRIES AND GROUPS

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE	Rosemary Fikis	fikism@proton.me	
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Lynn Dal Farra		613-721-8111
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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Council 10470	Frederick Adibe	fredadibe7@gmail.com	613-410-8017
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Mary Jean Thompson	r.thompson1@rogers.com	613-226-7219
MUSIC MINISTRY	5:00pm Joanne Parenteau	joanneparenteau@gmail.com	
	8:00am Jamie Burnett	jamesmichaelburnett@gmail.com	613-447-0489
	10:30am Lisa-Marie Flynn	lisamarielynn13@gmail.com	613-614-5566
PRO-LIFE MINISTRY	James Lariviere	jmlariviere@gmail.com	613-883-8670
	Family Support Center		1-800-665-0570
READERS/COMMENTATORS	Laura Recoskie	irecoskie@gmail.com	613 596-0905
RESPONSIBLE MINISTRY	Parish Office		613-829-1760
SACRISTANS/ENVIRONMENT	Angela Beimers		613-829-0320
SENIORS MINISTRY	Claudette Joseph	claudette43@rogers.com	613-829-6013
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## WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

The people of St. John the Apostle Parish Community extend a warm welcome to our parish family! Kindly introduce yourself to the priest and register your family with our community. Please call the parish office if you have any questions. (Please complete the information below and place in the collection basket)

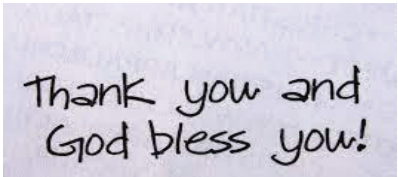
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PARISH INTEREST: \_\_\_\_\_ WOULD YOU LIKE TO USE SUNDAY COLLECTION ENVELOPES? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY)**

	Lectors	Ministers of Holy Communion
<b>April 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> Third Sunday of Easter</b>		
	Presider: Fr. Emeka Onyeogubalu	
<b>5:00 pm</b>	#1 Mary Ellen Agnel #2 Yvonne Munro	Deacon Victor Mesta Yoli Mesta Ian Moffat
	Presider: Fr. Emeka Onyeogubalu	
<b>8:00 am</b>	#1 Mary Jean Thompson #2 Rexita Xavier	Deacon Victor Mesta Angela Beimers Monica Mullane
	Presider: Fr. Emeka Onyeogubalu	
<b>10:30 am</b>	#1 Xavier Recoskie #2 Laura Recoskie	Deacon Victor Mesta Ray Kostuch Noel Naba

*If you are unable to serve as scheduled,  
Please ensure that you have found a replacement.*



On behalf of parishioners and myself, I would like to send a heartfelt thanks to all those who helped with our Triduum and Easter Sunday celebrations and the many extra hours you put in for preparation. Many thanks to the musicians and choir; lectors; eucharistic ministers; ushers; greeters, projectionists; videographer; our Sacristan and decorator; Deacon Victor; the Knights; our custodian; and to all those behind the scenes. The success and beauty of the services is due to your involvement. May the Lord bless you and continue to pour out upon one and all his paschal gifts of peace and joy.

Fr. Emeka

*"Divine Mercy, fountain gushing forth from the mystery of the Most Blessed Trinity, I Trust in You." — St. Faustina*

**Dates to Remember**

- April 17<sup>th</sup> – First Reconciliation**
- April 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> – First Communion**
- April 25<sup>th</sup> – Cor Gathering**
- April 25<sup>th</sup> – Hike for Life**
- April 26<sup>th</sup> – Confirmation**
- June 15<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> – Photo sessions for Parish Directory**



**Come and Experience the Message of Divine Mercy**

**Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration**  
Sunday, April 12th at 3:00pm

All are warmly welcome. Come and place your trust in the merciful Heart of Jesus.

**SACRAMENTS OF FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION**

The children will be receiving their Sacraments during our regularly scheduled masses on the following weekends:

**First Reconciliation:** Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

**First Communion:** Saturday April 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm Mass, and Sunday April 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am Mass.

**Confirmation:** Sunday April 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am Mass. Bishop Yvan Mathieu presiding.

*Let us keep the children and their families in our prayers as they journey in faith together.*

**HIKE FOR LIFE – SATURDAY, APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup>**

Join Action Life's 35th Annual Hike for Life on Saturday April 25th, 2026 - a fun 5 km walk for all ages, with refreshments and prizes. Rain or shine, registration runs from 8-10 am at St Theresa's Parish Hall, 95 Somerset St West. Pledge forms are available at the church entrances.

If you cannot participate, please consider sponsoring James Lariviere, our parish's Pro-life representative and designated hiker. For more information, visit [www.actionlife.org](http://www.actionlife.org) or contact [jmlariviere@gmail.com](mailto:jmlariviere@gmail.com)



### SUNDAY SMILE

A young boy, ready for bed, interrupts a family gathering in the living room. "I'm going to say my prayers now. Anybody wants anything?"

#### Knights of Columbus - Cor Invitation

The Knight of Columbus are inviting all Catholic men of the parish to join us for **Breakfast, prayer, faith formation, and fellowship**. Feel free to invite men in your family, friends and neighbors. Suggested donation of **\$10.00 to help offset the cost of food**. Please advise if you have any food allergies or diet restrictions.

##### What Cor Looks Like:

- Open to **all men of the parish**
- Meets **once a month** (Saturday mornings)
- Sessions **60 -90 minutes**
- Please bring your rosary, pen and notebook.

**Upcoming Dates:** Saturday April 25<sup>th</sup>  
Saturday May 30<sup>th</sup>, Saturday June 27<sup>th</sup>

**Time: 9:30am to 11:00 am at St John the Apostle Church Hall. Wheelchair Accessible - Elevator service available on request.**

If you will be attending, please contact:

**Mike Leeder 613-726-0538 [leeder1203@rogers.com](mailto:leeder1203@rogers.com) by Monday April 20<sup>th</sup>**

#### NEW Dates for Photo sessions for the Parish Directory for our 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**The photo session dates have been moved to June 15<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> (Monday through Saturday) due to previous hall rental commitments.**

Each household who gets photographed will receive a free copy. Photography sessions are FREE. All households (singles, couples, families, multi-generational families) are invited to participate.

**You do not have to be using envelopes to participate.** We want to include as many people as possible. Signup sheets are at both church entrances.

Eucharistic



Adoration

EVERY **FIRST FRIDAY**  
OF THE MONTH

After 9am Mass until  
10:30am.

*Come spend some time with our Lord.*

### Mass Intentions

Sat. Apr. 11th – 5:00pm

†Adele White by Peter White  
†For the deceased members of the Bourdeau family by Monique

Sun. Apr. 12th – 8:00am

For the intentions of all our parishioners.

Sun. Apr. 12th – 10:30am

†Hellen Wallace by the family

Tues. Apr. 14th – 9:00am

Thanksgiving to St. Anthony by Monique

Wed. Apr. 15th – 9:00am

For the healing of Vicotria by Natalia

Thurs. Apr. 16th – 9:00am

†Pierre Gueissaz by a friend

Fri. Apr. 17th – 9:00am

Sat. Apr. 18th – 5:00pm

†Luigi and Dina Minatel by Sandra

Sun. Apr. 19th – 8:00am

Intentions of Jean Barton on her 102<sup>nd</sup> birthday by Rosemary and Jerry Fikis

Sun. Apr. 19th – 10:30am

For the intentions of all our parishioners.

† indicates deceased



Please remember the sick and their families who journey with them, especially Maureen McBain, Bill Roblin and Cecilia D'Amico. Prayers and sympathy for those who have passed away.

#### The National March for Life Week May 12<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>

We are all made in the image and likeness of God and are deserving of life from conception to natural death. So please join us for the biggest pro-life demonstration in Canada, the National March for Life in Ottawa on Parliament Hill, Thursday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 12:30pm. For a full schedule of all events visit [marchforlife.ca](http://marchforlife.ca)

*“God loves us, God loves you all, and evil will not prevail!” — Apostolic Blessing “Urbi et Orbi,” May 8, 2025. (Pope Leo XIV)*



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