

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: Franca Morrison
Bookkeeping: Pearl Beausoleil
Maintenance: Steve Short

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

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

DEVOTIONS:

Rosary: Prayed before weekday Mass 8:30 am
Divine Mercy Chaplet: Following Tuesday morning Mass

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Baptismal preparation is required. 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 Debby Walsh

BUILDING COMMITTEE: Gino Brancatelli (Chair) Paul Gillis
Bob Williamson Jack Belletrutti
Don Percy Adel Iskandar

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)

NAME: _____ TEL: _____ ADDRESS: _____ Postal Code: _____

PARISH INTEREST: _____ WOULD YOU LIKE TO USE SUNDAY COLLECTION ENVELOPES? Yes ___ No ___

Sunday Eucharist

Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:30 am,

Children's Liturgy (currently not available, will resume once it is safe to do so)

Weekday Liturgy

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

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

ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE PARISH PARISH MINISTRIES AND GROUPS

BEREAVEMENT GROUP	Mary Ellen Henniger	613-224-0030
CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE	Audrey Wojcik audrey.wojcik@yahoo.ca	
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Lynn Dal Farra dalfarra@rogers.com	613-721-8111
CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION	Parish Office stjohnap@magma.ca	613-829-1760
COUNTERS	Eileen Gallant eileen.gallant@sympatico.ca	613-828-0778
CURSILLO REPRESENTATIVE	Louise Hennessy lhennessy1976@gmail.com (Monthly Ultreya - first Saturday after 9:00 am mass)	
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	Jack Belletrutti jackbelletrutti@sympatico.ca	613-723-0469
LITURGY COMMITTEE	Divina Hogan SJALitCom@yahoo.ca	
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Parish Office stjohnap@magma.ca	613-829-1760
MUSIC MINISTRY	Parish Office stjohnap@magma.ca	613-829-1760
NEW EVANGELIZATION GROUP	Divina Hogan SJALitCom@yahoo.ca	
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC)	Daniel Hogan (Chair) daniel_hogan_sja@yahoo.ca	
PASTORAL CARE	Mary Ellen Henniger	613-224-0030
PRO-LIFE MINISTRY	Parish Office stjohnap@magma.ca	613-829-1760
	Help Line for crisis pregnancy	1-800-665-0570
READERS/COMMENTATORS	Laura Recoskie lrecoskie@gmail.com	613 596-0905
RESPONSIBLE MINISTRY	Parish Office stjohnap@magma.ca	613-829-1760
SACRISTANS/ENVIRONMENT	Angela Beimers	613-829-0320
SOCIAL OUTREACH	Call the parish office stjohnap@magma.ca	613-829-1760
USHERS	Gerry Fikis g.fikis@rogers.com	613-723-0728

FOOD BANKS	Morrison Gardens Food Bank	613-596-6229
	Pinecrest Food Cupboard	613-596-6703

AREA SCHOOLS		
Our Lady of Victory	613-828-5594	St. John XXIII 613-226-6223
St. John the Apostle	613-828-0644	St. Paul High School 613-820-9705

Mass times for Christmas and New Year's



Friday, Dec. 24th -- 5:00pm, 8:00pm, 10:00pm
 Saturday, Dec. 25th -- 10:30am
 (Pre-registration is required for these masses)

Solemnity of Mary

Friday, Dec. 31st -- 5:00pm
 Saturday, Jan. 1st -- 10:00am
 (No pre-registration needed for these masses)

**CHRISTMAS EVE and CHRISTMAS DAY
 MASS PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED**

As we still find ourselves with restricted capacities for our masses, it will be necessary to pre-register for the Christmas masses. Unfortunately, only those that have pre-registered will be able to attend. No walk ups will be allowed. To register go to the home page of our website: www.stjohntheapostleparish.com on Wednesday morning. You may also register by calling the parish office 613-829-1760. **Please note groups of 4 or more are asked to call the parish office to register. This will ensure that groups can be seated together.**

DATES TO REMEMBER

Dec. 12th - Last day for the "Something for Everyone Christmas Auction"

Dec. 12th – Sharing our Christmas – last day to donate.

Jan. 6th – Parish Memorial Mass



LAST CHANCE TO BID!

The CWL and Knights of Columbus "Something for Everyone Christmas Auction" ends Sunday, Dec. 12th at 9pm. You will also be able to purchase delicious homemade baked goodies through the auction site which will help support the **CWL BAKE SALE**. This is a great way to do your Christmas shopping and raise money for the charities supported by these groups. The link to the auction site can be found on the News and Events page of our website www.stjohntheapostleparish.com



SHARING OUR CHRISTMAS

This Annual Christmas program has evolved over the years, but the goal has always been the same, to assist those in our community who are in need during the Christmas season.

We are soliciting donations through our Sharing our Christmas envelopes. The envelopes will be available at the entrance to the Church and table at the back until **Dec. 12th**. Donations can also be made by e-transfer at finance.sjap@magma.ca, by mail and Canada Helps. Please see the News and Event page on our website: www.stjohntheapostleparish.com, for details on ways to donate. We, at St. John the Apostle, have a history of giving generously at Christmas time. The needs are ongoing; so should be our concern and love for our neighbours.

Thank you for your generosity and continued support of this program.

Parish Memorial Mass The Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League are organizing the annual Parish Memorial Mass for **Thursday, January 6th, 2022**, at 7:00 pm. This Mass is dedicated to all the deceased members from our parish who passed away **in 2021**, as well as parishioner family members who died during this past year. If you lost a family member in 2021 and would like them remembered at this special Mass, please contact the office, 829-1760, with the name of the deceased. Deadline to add names is December 31st.

Once again this year there will not be in-person attendance due to the limited capacity in the Church for this ceremony. Candles will be lit on behalf of the deceased by members of the Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League. The Mass will be live-streamed and will also be available for viewing on our website after the ceremony.



SUNDAY SMILE

A Sunday school teacher was teaching her class about the difference between right and wrong.

"All right children, let's try another example," she said. "If I were to reach into a man's pocket and take his wallet with all his money, what would I be?"

Little Johnny raises his hand, and with a confident smile, he blurts out, "You'd be his wife!"

BUILDING MORTGAGE: It was with great pleasure that we announced this summer that the mortgage was paid off in July. 12 years early! A sincere heartfelt thank you to all our parishioners for your generosity and commitment to your parish. Donations for the Building and Mortgage Fund received since July have been applied to a Building Fund to help build reserves for future repairs. The new collection envelope boxes for 2022 include a monthly contribution envelope for the Building Fund. *May God continue to bless you and the parish.*

New envelope boxes for 2022 are ready for pick up in the Glass house. Please help us by filling in your name and address on your envelopes for the first few weeks of 2022. Boxes can also be picked up at the Parish Office, Monday-Thursday 9am to 3:30pm.

Thank you to all parishioners for your continued financial contributions through the pandemic. As many are still not able to join us in the Church, there are other ways to contribute to help the parish meet its financial needs.

1. **Etransfer** to: finance.sjap@magma.ca
2. **By mail** to: St. John the Apostle Parish
3. **Pre-Authorized Donations.** Forms are at the doors of the Church or see the home page of our website.
4. **Through Canada Helps** – see home page of our website for more detail.
5. **Envelope boxes.** If you would like a box of collection envelopes, please contact the Parish Office at 613-829-1760.

Mass Intentions

Sat. Dec. 11th - 5:00pm

For the intentions of our parishioners.

Sun. Dec. 12th – 8:00am

✠Nancy Serrao by the estate

✠Camillien Theriault by the Knights of Columbus

For the intentions of Father Emeka

by Carl and Lynn Dervin

Sun. Dec. 12th – 10:30am

✠Norman Martin by Tina Martin

✠Peggy Evans by Michelle and Ward Foss

✠Madhavan Kumaran by the family.

Thurs. Dec. 16th – 9:00am

✠Raoul Nzisabira by the family

Fri. Dec. 17th – 9:00am

✠Cecile Humphrey by Karen Leeder

Sat. Dec. 18th – 5:00pm

✠Richard Rain by Tom and Karen Kelly and family

Sun. Dec. 19th – 8:00am

For the intentions of our parishioners.

Sun. Dec. 19th – 10:30am

✠Sheila Berrea by The Berrea family

✠John Carmichael by the Knights of Columbus

✠ indicates deceased



Advent Candle, Week 3: The Third Sunday of Advent is called Gaudete (Rejoice) Sunday. On this day we celebrate that our wait is almost over. Since rose is the liturgical color used to signify joy, we light the rose candle on the third Sunday of Advent as we rejoice in anticipation of the coming of the Messiah.



Bulletin deadlines

December 19th bulletin:

Deadline: Monday, Dec. 13th by Noon

December 26th bulletin:

Deadline: Wednesday, Dec. 15th by Noon

January 2nd bulletin:

Deadline: Tuesday, Dec. 21st by Noon

Submission deadline for all other bulletins is Tuesdays at Noon.



Christmas Flowers

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

We welcome donations to offset the cost of flowers to decorate the church. Envelopes are available at both doors of the Church.



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