

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. Lindsay Harrison
Deacons: Deacon Greg Vaughn
Deacon Fred Jardine
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.

PASTORAL CARE: If you or a family member is sick at home or in hospital, please contact our Pastoral Care Team to have someone visit you and bring Communion. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements for the Sacrament of the Sick.

FINANCE COUNCIL: Ray Kostuch (Chair) John Schembri
Chris Pereira John Ware

Building Committee: Gino Brancatelli Paul Gillis
Peter Garvey John Schembri

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC):

Daniel Hogan (Chair) Divina Hogan (Sec.)
Bill Roblin Pat Fagan
Louise Hennessy Ian Moffat Jeff Alguire

Sunday Eucharist

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

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 - 4:30 pm; and on request

ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE PARISH PARISH MINISTRIES AND GROUPS

BAPTISMAL INQUIRIES	Parish Office stjohnap@magma.ca	613-829-1760
BEREAVEMENT GROUP	Mary Ellen Henniger	613-224-0030
CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE	Rosemary Fikis r.fikis@rogers.com	613-723-0728
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Lynn Dal Farra dalfarra@rogers.com	613-721-8111
CHILDREN'S RELIGION PROGRAM	(for children attending a public or private school)	
	Parish Office stjohnap@magma.ca	613-829-1760
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)	
FUNERAL LITURGY TEAM	Parish Office stjohnap@magma.ca	613-829-1760
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	Bob Williamson llandbob@bell.net	613-829-1805
LEGION OF MARY	Angela Beimers red_rose_angela31@outlook.com	613-829-0320
LITURGY COMMITTEE	Divina Hogan SJALitCom@yahoo.ca	613-820-7852
MARRIAGE PREPARATION INQUIRIES	Parish Office stjohnap@magma.ca	613-829-1760
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Ming Leung Mingdee@gmail.com	613-721-3834
MUSIC MINISTRY	Parish Office stjohnap@magma.ca	613-829-1760
PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC)	Daniel Hogan (Chair) daniel_hogan_sja@yahoo.ca	613-820-7852
PASTORAL CARE	Mary Ellen Henniger	613-224-0030
PRO-LIFE MINISTRY	Deborah La Riccia deborahlariccia@rogers.com	613-820-3580
	Help Line for crisis pregnancy	1-800-665-0570
READERS/COMMENTATORS	Laura Recoskie lrecoskie@gmail.com	613 596-0905
RECEPTION (VOLUNTEERS)	Joan and Helene reception.sja@gmail.com	613-829-1760
RESPONSIBLE MINISTRY	Theresa Verver theresa.verver@gmail.com	613-723-3157
SACRISTANS/ENVIRONMENT	Angela Beimers	613-829-0320
SOCIAL OUTREACH COMMITTEE	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
	Pincrest 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

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 ___

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
Dec. 9th & Dec. 10th - Second Sunday of Advent		
	Presider: Fr. Lindsay	
5:00 pm.	#1 John Dunphy #2 Mary Ellen Agnel	Bill Roblin Ian Moffat Teresa Wong
	Presider: Fr. Lindsay	
8:00 am.	#1 Mary Jean Thompson #2 Jeff Hill	Judie Beazley Eileen Garvey Evariste Theriault
	Presider: Fr. Lindsay	
10:30 am.	#1 Judith Gray #2 Janet Snider Belot	Merv Sullivan Jessica Sullivan Albert Routhier Harrison Peiris Fatima Peiris

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

Mass times for Christmas and New Year's



Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday, Dec. 23rd - 5:00 pm

Sunday, Dec. 24th - 10:30 am (No 8:00 am Mass)

Christmas Eve

Sunday, Dec. 24th - 6:00 pm, 8:00 pm, 10:00 pm

Christmas Day

Monday, Dec. 25th - 10:00 am

Holy Family

Saturday, Dec. 30th - 5:00 pm

Sunday, Dec. 31st - 8:00 am, 10:30 am

Solemnity of Mary

Sunday, Dec. 31st - 5:00 pm

Monday, Jan. 1st - 10:00 am

One Morning Mass for 4th Sunday of Advent:

This year Christmas Eve falls on Sunday. That means there will be three masses Sunday evening for Christmas (6pm, 8pm and 10pm) and one the following day. This puts a strain on our limited volunteers and personnel. So for that weekend there will be only two masses for the 4th Sunday of Advent: 5:00 pm on Saturday, Dec. 23rd and 10:30 am on Sunday, Dec. 24th. **There will be no 8:00am Mass on Sunday, Dec. 24th.** Sorry for any inconvenience. Everything will return to normal the following week.

Sunday Missals for the new liturgical year are still available at the parish office. Cost \$5.00.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS



Christmas Flowers

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesdays: Legion of Mary - 9:30 am Small Assembly Room

Wednesdays: Euchre - 12.30 pm in Small Assembly Room
Liturgy of the Word or Mass at Redwoods - 1:30 pm

Fridays: Liturgy of the Word or Mass at West End Villa - 2:15 pm

Sundays: Mass at Valley Stream Manor - 11:00 am

Mon. to Fri. After School Group: 3 – 6 pm Small Assembly Room

Mon. Dec. 4th	KofC Executive	7:00 pm SAR
Tues. Dec. 5th	Liturgy Committee	5:00 pm Boardroom
Tues. Dec. 5th	CWL Executive	7:00 pm SAR
Tues. Dec. 5th	St. John the Apostle School, Advent Family Mass	7:00 pm Church & hall

DATES TO REMEMBER

Dec. 9th-10th – Pro-Life Christmas Cakes Sale

Dec. 9th -10th – Knights of Columbus Membership Drive

Dec. 9th – 10th – Sharing our Christmas

Knights of Columbus Council 10470 Member

Recruitment – The Knights of Columbus are asking for your support. On the weekend of December 9th and 10th, we are holding a Membership Drive and encourage you to be part of our Council at St. John the Apostle. Worldwide, the Knights are closing in on 2 million members. If you are 18 years of age and over, please step forward. Thank you.

Parish Memorial Mass The Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League are organizing the annual Parish Memorial Mass for **Thursday, January 4th**, at 7:00 pm. This Mass is dedicated to all the deceased members from our parish who passed away **in 2017**, as well as parishioner family members who died during this past year. If you lost a family member in 2017 and would like them remembered at this special Mass, please contact the office, 829-1760, with the name of the deceased and the representative who will attend the Memorial Mass on their behalf.

CHRISTMAS CAKES & GIFT BASKETS

On the weekend of **Dec. 9th/10th** Christmas Fruit Cakes and Gift Baskets full of goodies, made by the Cistercian Monks of St-Jean-de-Matha, will be available for sale in the Glass house before and after all masses. All proceeds go to help pro-life work in Ottawa on behalf of **Campaign Life Coalition**.



The Knights of Columbus would like to thank all parishioners and guests who attended the Christmas Turkey Dinner on Sat. Nov. 18th. The turnout was exceptional despite the uncertain weather predictions. Your ongoing support of Knight's activities is very much appreciated. Funds raised will go towards the many Knight's charities. *Again, thank you.*



SUNDAY SMILE

A Sunday School teacher asked her class why Joseph and Mary took Jesus with them to Jerusalem. A small child replied, "*They couldn't get a baby-sitter*".



SHARING OUR CHRISTMAS

is the name of St. John's Christmas Assistance Program. It is a fund which allows our Social Outreach

Committee to respond, on your behalf, to the many families who need and request help at Christmas.

Sharing our Christmas envelopes will be available in the pews this weekend and next, December 9th.

Bereavement Luncheon, Speaker Ian

Henderson: Ian works with Bereavement and Support Ottawa and is a grief educator and facilitator who has helped many through their grieving journey. He will be speaking at our parish Bereavement Group Luncheon on **Jan. 9th at 11:30am** in the **Small Assembly Room** (entrance back of parking lot). All are welcome. Bring your own lunch. Info: Mary Ellen (613-224-0030)

Bible Study: Our parish, in collaboration with Sister†Hood, will be offering Jeff Cavin's "**Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible.**" It is open to men and women and runs for 8 weeks every Thursday from 7-9 p.m. in the Main Hall starting Jan. 18, 2018. Cost is \$25 and includes student workbook, coffee & tea. Registration: Karen: 613-806-0377; livesisterhood@gmail.com; or with the parish office.

With Gratitude – Fall 2017 SJA Alpha

Program Thank you to the guests who came out on a weekly basis to participate in our Parish's first-ever Alpha Program to strengthen their personal relationships with Jesus. A special thank you to our Parish's volunteers as this Program would not have been possible without their enormous contributions. This includes the planning team, the prayer team, the hosts and helpers, the hospitality/reception team, the food preparation team, the tech crew, and the emcee. Truly, the Holy Spirit is alive in our Parish!



Daily Reflections of Advent booklets are available on the table at the back of the Church and at the side entrance. Cost is \$3.00.

Mass Intentions

Sat. Dec. 2nd – 9:00 am

For the protection of all human life

Sat. Dec. 2nd – 5:00 pm

†Patrick Curran by the parishioners

Sun. Dec. 3rd – 8:00 am

†Dr. Agatha Sidlauskas by Gary and Marilyn Ogilvie

†Darlene Hubley by Theresa and Doug Hubley

For a good school year by Grandfather

Sun. Dec. 3rd – 10:30 am

For the intentions of our parishioners

Tues. Dec. 5th – 9:00 am

†Aquilino Pantalone by his wife and family

Wed. Dec. 6th – 9:00 am

Mass of Thanksgiving by a parishioner

Sat. Dec. 9th – 5:00 pm

For the intentions of our parishioners

Sun. Dec. 10th – 8:00 am

†Bert Randall by Betty Randall

†Loma and Edward Mousseau by the Mousseau family

Sun. Dec. 10th – 10:30 am

†Ellis McVeigh by Elaine McVeigh and family

†Noreen Quinlan by Elaine McVeigh

†Donald Stewart by Betty Patterson and family

Tues. Dec. 12th – 9:00 am

†Nadia Herrera by the Herrera and Deyo family

† indicates deceased

Please remember the sick and their families who journey with them, especially Dwayne Forbes, Mary Saunders and Freda Weerasooriya. Prayers and sympathy for those who have passed away.

Intentions of the Holy Father – December

That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

Pro-life Mass at Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica to pray for the establishment of a Pro-life Centre in Ottawa, Saturday, Dec. 9th 10am. Info. wandawoj@rogers.com



Bulletin deadlines for December

December 17th bulletin:

Deadline: Wednesday, Dec. 6th by 12:30 pm

December 24th bulletin:

Deadline: Wednesday, Dec. 13th by 12:30 pm

December 31st bulletin:

Deadline: Thursday, Dec. 14th by 12:30 pm



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