

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: 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
Bob Williamson John Schembri
Don Percy Adel Iskandar

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: Ian Moffat (Chair) Rosemary Fikis
Heather Petti Mary Jean Thompson
Fred Adibe Sandra Brancatelli
Deacon Victor Mesta

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	Audrey Wojcik	audrey.wojcik@yahoo.ca	
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Lynn Dal Farra		613-721-8111
COUNTERS	Kerri Courville	courvillek3@gmail.com	
DIVINE MERCY CENACLE:	Doreen Aaron	doreen.aaron@gmail.com	
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS			
Council 10470	Jamie Burnett	jamesmichaelburnett@gmail.com	613-224-8081
MINISTERS OF COMMUNION	Mary Jean Thompson	r.thompson1@rogers.com	613-226-7219
MUSIC MINISTRY	5pm Joanne Parenteau	joanneparenteau@gmail.com	
	8am Jamie Burnett	jamesmichaelburnett@gmail.com	613-224-8081
	10:30am Lisa-Marie Flynn	lismarielynn13@gmail.com	613-614-5566
PRO-LIFE MINISTRY	Parish Office		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		613-829-1760
SACRISTANS/ENVIRONMENT	Angela Beimers		613-829-0320
USHERS	Gerry Fikis	fikisgw@pm.me	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

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 ___

Dates to Remember

Dec. 2nd/3rd – CWL Bake Sale

Dec. 3rd – Sharing Our Christmas

Dec. 10th – Family Christmas Party
Family Wreath Decorating

Dec. 13th – Purdy's Chocolate Pick Up

Mass times for Christmas and New Year's



Sunday, Dec. 24th - 8:00am, 10:30am
(Fourth Sunday Advent)
Sunday, Dec. 24th - 5:00pm, 8:00pm, 10:00pm
(Christmas Eve Masses)
Monday, Dec. 25th - 10:00am – Christmas Day

Sunday, Dec. 31st - 8:00am, 10:30am
(Feast of the Holy Family)
Monday, Jan. 1st - 10:00am
(Solemnity of Mary)



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY!!

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10th
11:30AM (after 10:30am Mass)

Crafts, music, snacks and more!

**All children and young families
welcome!**

FAMILY WREATH DECORATING



**Help us decorate our Church for the
Christmas Season!**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10th
after 10:30am Mass
in the parish hall

**Bring a family picture and other
favourite ornaments for your wreath.
Wreaths will be provided but are limited
in number. Please sign up on the table
at the back of the Church.**



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 will be soliciting donations through our Sharing our Christmas envelopes. **The envelopes will be available in the pews and at both entrances until Dec. 3rd.** Donations can also be made by e-transfer at bookkeeper@stjohntheapostleparish.com. 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.



PICK UP YOUR CWL PURDY'S CHOCOLATE ORDERS!

When: Wednesday, December 13th

**Time: 11am to 1:00pm or
4:00pm to 6:00pm**

Where: Small Assembly Room
**Please use entrance from back
parking lot.**

Thank you all for your support.

Merry Christmas!



SUNDAY SMILE

A boy asks his father, "Dad, are bugs good to eat?" "That's disgusting. Don't talk about things like that over dinner," the dad replies. After dinner the father asks, "Now, son, what did you want to ask me?" "Oh, nothing," the boy says. "There was a bug in your soup, but now it's gone."

Holy Father's Prayer Intention – December

For persons with disabilities: We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

New envelope boxes for 2024 are ready for pick up in the Glass house. Every year, we have to reallocate numbers to take into account people who have left the parish or switched to PAD. These numbers get reassigned to new parishioners. **Please do not assume that last year's number is still assigned to you and do not use envelopes issued to you in previous years.** This could mean someone else will be getting credit for your donation. Please help us by filling in your name and address on your envelopes for the first few weeks of 2024. *Thank you.*

SUNDAY MISSALS for the new liturgical year can be purchased at the Parish Office, during regular office hours. Cost \$5.00

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Around the Diocese:

Parish Mission with Bishop Yvan Mathieu. Topic: Mary's Yes. St. Monica Church, 2080 Merivale Road, **Dec. 11th, 13th and 14th at 7pm.** See posters at the entrances for more details.

Celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Tuesday, Dec. 12th at St. Monica Church, 9:00am-8:30pm. To see schedule of events for the day, check <https://saintmonicaparish.ca/>

Christmas Benefit Concert with the Sheptytsky Institute Choir, directed by Dr. Brian Butcher. Proceeds from the event will go to support Jérôme Lejeune School, a new independent Catholic school in Ottawa. **Sunday, Dec. 10th** at Saint Jean Baptiste Church, 96 Empress Ave., Ottawa. Cost \$25. To register see <https://ca-en.clonline.org/news/calendar/2023/11/17/benefit-concert-in-ottawa>

Mass Intentions

Sat. Dec. 2nd – 9:00am

For the protection of all human life.

Sat. Dec. 2nd - 5:00pm

✠Catalina Dumayas by Priscilla and Larry Ilagan

✠Teofilo Somera by Gracia Tabrilla

Sun. Dec. 3rd – 8:00am

✠Mr. and Mrs. Howard Harriet by Lynn Harriet-Dervin

Sun. Dec. 3rd – 10:30am

For the intentions of all our parishioners.

Wed. Dec. 6th – 9:00am

✠Estrella Legaspi by the family

Fri. Dec. 8th – 9:00am

For the Holy Souls by Sorel

Sat. Dec. 9th - 5:00pm

✠Leah and Gilles Michaud by Laura and

Graeme Parkinson

✠Larry Winters by Priscilla and Larry Ilagan

Sun. Dec. 10th – 8:00am

For the intentions of all our parishioners.

Sun. Dec. 10th – 10:30am

✠Patricia McLinton by the Knights of Columbus

✠Ellis McVeigh by Elaine McVeigh

✠ indicates deceased

Please remember the sick and their families who journey with them. Prayers and sympathy for those who have passed away, remembering Richard MacPhail.



Bulletin deadlines for December

December 17th bulletin:

Deadline: Monday, Dec. 11th by 9:00am

December 24th bulletin:

Deadline: Wednesday, Dec. 13th by Noon

December 31st bulletin:

Deadline: Monday, Dec. 18th by Noon

Please remember to book your Announced Mass intentions early if you wish them to be printed in the bulletin.



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Christmas Flowers

We welcome donations to offset the cost of flowers to decorate the church. Envelopes are available on the back tables and side entrance.



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