

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: 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	
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COUNTERS	Kerri Courville	courvillek3@gmail.com	
DIVINE MERCY CENACLE:	Doreen Aaron	doreen.aaron@gmail.com	
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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	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	lrecoskie@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
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 ___

	Lectors
Oct. 11th/12th - Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
	Presider: Fr. Emeka Onyeogubalu
5:00 pm	#1 Dee Simons #2 Peter Stoop
	Presider: Fr. Emeka Onyeogubalu
8:00am	#1 Rexita Xavier #2 Alphonsa Fernandes
	Presider: Fr. Emeka Onyeogubalu
10:30am	#1 Judith Gray #2 Alejandra Guidi

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



Annual call for Volunteers!!

You will find at both entrances descriptions of various ministries in our church. Without them our church could not function. All these ministries are served by volunteers. Please consider bringing your gifts, talents and presence to St. John the Apostle to continue to build-up our parish together. The time commitment for many ministries is minimal, but invaluable to our parish life. If you want more information, please contact the parish office.

*Your talent is God's Gift to you.
What you do with it is your gift to God.*



Intentions of the Holy Father – October

For collaboration between different religious traditions: Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.

Dates to Remember

October 5th – Pro-Life Life Chain

October 10th – Alpha for Youth and Young Adults

October 17th – 40 Days for Life- St. John the Apostle Vigil Day



ALPHA FOR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS

St. John the Apostle Parish is pleased to host ALPHA for Youth (ages 12-17) and Young Adults (ages 18-35), commencing **Friday, October 10th**, and continuing every Friday from 6:30pm-8:45pm. The youth program is 8 weeks and the young adults program is 11 weeks. Dinner will be provided! Registration required. To register please use the QR code on the posters at the entrances. **Last weekend to Register!**

ALPHA is a program where you have an opportunity to discuss questions about life, faith and meaning in an informal and friendly environment. Each session will start with dinner and a chance to connect with others. We will then watch a short video together that explores the Christian faith. Whether you are new in the faith, just exploring or want to deepen your faith, Alpha offers a safe space to do just that. We hope that you will join us so that we can go on this faith journey together!

THIS WEEKEND!

PRO-LIFE - LIFE CHAIN OCTOBER 5TH

Life Chain is an annual prayerful, pro-life event taking place across North America. Please join us here at St John the Apostle Church, **this Sunday October 5th, at 11:45, following the 10:30am Mass** to provide a quiet witness to the community. You'll be given a sign to hold during the hour proclaiming, "Abortion Kills Children," "Abortion Hurts Women," "Jesus Forgives & Heals," etc. 2 Timothy 1:7 says, "For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control." We can't be afraid to be a voice for the voiceless. Let us draw strength from the Lord to defend His children.



SUNDAY SMILE

Tom and Harry are on a cruise. "It seems to have gone very quiet up on deck," says Tom.
 "Ah!" says Harry, "that must be because everyone is watching the band." "What band?" asks Tom.
 "I don't know," says Harry, "but earlier on I definitely heard someone shouting out "a band on ship!"

40 Days for Life - September 24th to November 2nd

40 Days for Life is a call to action of silent prayer, fasting, and public vigil for an end to abortion in our community and begins **Wednesday, Sept 24th, 7 am to 5 pm**, at the southwest corner of Queen Street just off Bank Street and continues daily until Sunday, Nov 2nd.

Our parish has committed to cover **Friday, October 17th, from 7am-5pm**. Please commit to one hour of public prayer for our vigil day by signing-up in the glasshouse. For more info. contact James Lariviere our 40 Days Rep at jmlariviere@gmail.com or 613-883-8670.

For general info. about the local campaign visit <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/local-campaigns/ottawa/> to be updated closer to the start of the campaign. Former workers say it was the prayer presence outside their facilities that turned them away from abortion.

Around the Diocese:

Rosary Pilgrimage, Thursday, Oct. 23rd Come walk with us! Celebrate the 9:00am Mass at St. Patrick's Fallowfield and pilgrimage to Notre Dame Cathedral, Ottawa. Check out pilgrimage details: route, optional starting points, etc. at the following link:
<https://tinyurl.com/Rosary-Pilgrimage-2025>

Night of worship and Ministry: Join St. Mary's Parish, 100 Young St., on **Friday, October 24th**, 7-9 pm for an evening of praise, prophecy, teaching, and healing. Theme: Joy for the Hungry. Speaker: Sr. Rose Clare of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, QMC
 Info: Natalia Lacar
night.worship.ministry@stmarysottawa.ca

Catholic Pilgrimage: Catholic Shrines of Ireland, Northern Ireland and Scotland accompanied by Msgr. Joseph Muldoon, Holy Cross Parish, **April 8-23, 2026**. Limited number! Info: travel coordinator Dennis Kam, JBCTravelOttawa. dennis@jbctravel.ca 613-569-3888.

Mass Intentions

Sat. Oct. 4th – 9:00am

For the protection of all human life.

Sat. Oct. 4th – 5:00pm

✠Adele White by Peter White

Sun. Oct. 5th – 8:00am

✠Robert Moulton by Angela Bradley and family

✠Peter Campbell by Shane Campbell and family

In thanksgiving for kind people, by a Parishioner.

Sun. Oct. 5th – 10:30am

For the intentions of all our parishioners.

Tues. Oct. 7th - 9:00am

Wed. Oct. 8th - 9:00am

✠Anne Brown by the family

Thurs. Oct. 9th – 9:00am

✠Beverley Ray by the family

Fri. Oct. 10th – 9:00am

Sat. Oct. 11th – 5:00pm

✠Robert Moulton by Bob and Liliane Williamson

Sun. Oct. 12th – 8:00am

For the intentions of all our parishioners.

Sun. Oct. 12th – 10:30am

✠Joanne Walker by Rock and Brenda Roy

✠ indicates deceased



Please remember the sick and their families who journey with them, especially Pearl Beausoleil, Maria Lu, Victor D'Amico and Bill Roblin.

Blue Envelopes – Parish Social Mission

Next weekend is our last "Blue Envelope" collection for 2025. **Social Outreach** (local food banks) and **Pro-Life** rely on this income to carry out their ministries. Thank you for your continued support.

Envelopes are always available at the entrances of the church and donations can also be made at any time during the year.



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