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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)
Chris Pereira

John Schembri 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
Germany Fikis Heather Petti Mary Jean Thompson
Deacon Victor Mesta
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

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		10:30am	Lisa-l	Marie Flynn	lisan	narieflynn13@gmail.com	613-614-5566	
	PRO-LIFE MINISTRY	/		James Lariviere	jmla	riv@protonmail.com	613-883-8670	
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	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)

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	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion						
Sept. 27th/28th - Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time								
	Presider: Fr. Emeka Onyeogubalu							
5:00 pm	#1 John Dunphy #2 Ian Moffat	Deacon Victor Mary Ellen Agnel Jeff Ladouceur						
	Presider: Fr. Emeka Onyeogubalu							
8:00am	#1 Evan Paulson #2 Mary Jean Thompson	Angela Beimers Jennifer Golanowski Mary Jean Thompson						
	Presider: Fr. Emeka Onyeogubalu							
10:30am	#1 Laura Recoskie #2 Mia Bibiana	Karen Leeder Noel Naba John Schembri						

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



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 10**th, 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. **Registration deadline is October 3rd**.

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!



MONTHLY SENIORS MASS AND SOCIAL

Hello Seniors! our next gathering is **Wednesday**, **October 1st at 1pm**.

Our guest speaker is Para Olympian wheelchair curler Collinda Joseph. Collinda is a specialist on accessibility. Please come to listen and become informed on this subject. Do not forget to bring a friend, bring a cup, bring goodies, bring games and most of all bring your humour and joy.

Dates to Remember

Sept. 27th/28th – Volunteer Drive

Sept. 28th – Special Collection: Needs of the Church in Canada

Sept. 30th – National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

October 1st – Seniors Mass and Social

October 3rd – Student Potluck October 5th – Pro-Life Life Chain

October 10th – Alpha for Youth and Young Adults

POTLUCK SUPPER FOR VISITING STUDENTS FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3RD

The Parish is once again hosting a potluck supper this fall for College and University students who have come to Ottawa for studies. This is to give them an opportunity to connect with other students who are also from out of town

To make it a success, we need your help, not only with preparing a dish, but also be in attendance to act as hosts and participate in conversation. If you can help please sign up at the entrances.

If you are a College or University student, you can sign up using the sign up sheets or QR code at the entrances.

PRO-LIFE - LIFE CHAIN OCTOBER 5TH

Each of us has a responsibility to take action in response to the injustice of abortion. As Proverbs 24:12 cautions, "... if you say, 'Look, we did not know this'-does not He who weighs the heart perceive it? Does not He who keeps watch over your soul know it? And will He not repay all according to their deeds?" Life Chain is designed to be simple and accessible to all. It's an annual pro-life demonstration bringing attention to the inherent dignity of all human beings, in and out of the womb. All you have to do is pray quietly for the hour and hold one of the various signs provided—"Abortion Kills Children," "Abortion Hurts Women," "Adoption: A Loving Option," etc. Please join us this year at St John the Apostle Church on Sunday October 5th, at 11:45am, following the 10:30am Mass.



SUNDAY SMILE

A husband and wife were on a strict diet. They sat down at the table for a dinner of raw vegetables and some fruit. The husband looked at what was before him and said to his wife: "Honey, you say the blessing. If I thank the Lord for this, He'll know I'm lying!"

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. Vigil resources, and sign-ups for individual hours will follow, contact James Lariviere our 40 Days Rep at imlariviere@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:

Annual Autumn Pilgrimage to St-Joseph's Oratory on Sunday, October 12th for the 15th Anniversary of the Canonization of St. Brother Andre. Info. Mike 613-224-8110; or by email mikebudge2021@gmail.com

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

Ottawa School of Theology & Spirituality:

Connecting people on the path of faith and learning. Fall classes (some on zoom) start soon. See posters and pamphlets at the entrances. More info: https://osts.ca

Mass Intentions

Sun. Sept. 21st – 8:00am

For the intentions of all our parishioners.

<u>Tues. Sept. 23rd - 9:00am</u> <u>Wed. Sept. 24th - 9:00am</u> <u>Thurs. Sept. 25th - 9:00am</u> Fri. Sept. 26th - 9:00am

Sat. Sept. 27th – 5:00pm **†**Leslie Roche by Don and Barb Percy

<u>Sun. Sept. 28th – 8:00am</u> For the intentions of all our parishioners.

Sun. Sept. 28th – 10:30am

⊕Edith Lidstone by Bill Strong and family
⊕Joanne Walker by Anne Stewart

† indicates deceased



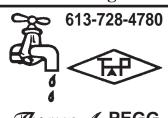
Please remember the sick and their families who journey with them, especially Pearl Beausoleil, Doris McGrath, Maria Lu, Victor D'Amico and Bill Roblin.

Special Collection: Sept 28th – Needs of the Church in Canada. This annual charitable initiative assists the Bishops in their ministry of accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying and caring for the Church in Canada. Each year, and with the generosity of Catholic faithful from coast to coast to coast, this collection enables the Bishops of Canada to continue their work on such things as: important doctrinal and ethical questions; evangelization; faith education; social justice; ecumenical initiatives and interreligious dialogue; relations with indigenous peoples; and supporting the specific needs of the northern mission dioceses of our country. Special collection envelopes are at the entrances.

PILGRIMMAGE TO SHRINE OF DIVINE MERCY

Brothers and Sisters, Yoli and I will be travelling to Rome for the Jubilee of Hope and also visiting the Shrine of Divine Mercy in Krakow. If you would like to send your personal intentions, you may place them in the boxes at the church entrances. We will deliver these to The Sisters of Divine Mercy who will pray a novena for them before the image of the Lord of Mercy.

Deacon Victor



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