

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
 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

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| CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE | Rosemary Fikis | fikism@proton.me | |
| 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 | 613-447-0489 |
| 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 | jmlariv@protonmail.com | 613-883-8670 |
| | Family Support Center | | 1-800-665-0570 |
| READERS/COMMENTATORS | Laura Recoskie | irecoskie@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 |
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| 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 | |
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| Feb. 1st – Feb. 2nd – The Presentation of the Lord | |
| | Presider: Fr. Patrick Chongo |
| 5:00 pm | #1 Ian Moffat #2 John Dunphy |
| | Presider: Fr. Patrick Chongo |
| 8:00am | #1 Francine Conlin #2 Malachy Okafor |
| | Presider: Fr. Patrick Chongo |
| 10:30am | #1 Chris Pereira #2 Harrison Peiris |

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



SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

JANUARY 26

In the Apostolic Letter *Aperuit illis*, Pope Francis instituted the Sunday of the Word of God.

“Devoting a specific Sunday of the Liturgical year to the word of God can enable the Church to experience anew how the risen Lord opens up for us the treasury of his word and enables us to proclaim its unfathomable riches before the world.”

“Regular reading of sacred Scripture and the celebration of the Eucharist make it possible for us to see ourselves as part of one another. As Christians, we are a single people, making our pilgrim way through history, sustained by the Lord, present in our midst, who speaks to us and nourishes us. A day devoted to the Bible should not be seen as a yearly event but rather a year-long event, for we urgently need to grow in our knowledge and love of the Scriptures and of the risen Lord, who continues to speak his word and to break bread in the community of believers. For this reason, we need to develop a closer relationship with sacred Scripture; otherwise, our hearts will remain cold and our eyes shut, struck as we are by so many forms of blindness.”

Pope Francis, *Aperuit illis*, 2, 8

Dates to Remember

February 7th - Visiting Students Dinner

February 13th – Parish Memorial Mass

February 14th – Evening of Prayer and Healing

DINNER FOR VISITING STUDENTS

The Parish intends to once again host a dinner for visiting students on **Friday, February 7th, at 6pm**, in the Main hall. Parishioners are asked to volunteer to be hosts and/or to contribute to the meal by cooking a dish for the event.

We are looking to host students from outside Ottawa who are attending the post-secondary institutions in the city – Algonquin College, Carleton University, and Ottawa University. ***The aim of this dinner is to give those students, particularly first year students, a chance to meet and converse with Ottawans and give them a chance to connect with new friends and relieve themselves of any feelings of loneliness.***

Sign-up sheets for food contributions are at both entrances. Visiting students please sign up with QR code on poster at all entrances.

Parish Memorial Mass

The Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women’s League are organizing the annual Parish Memorial Mass for **Thursday, February 13th**, at 7:00 pm. This Mass is dedicated to all the deceased members from our parish who passed away **in 2024**, as well as parishioner family members who died during this past year. If you lost a family member in 2024 and would like them remembered at this special Mass, please contact the office, 613-829-1760, with the name of the deceased **and** the representative who will attend the Memorial Mass in their honour.



SUNDAY SMILE

Barry tells Gary that his grandfather was given a medal in the First World War for single-handedly destroying the enemies' lines of communication. "What did he do? Asks Gary. "He ate their pigeon! says Barry.



**Evening of Praise, Worship and Healing
St. John the Apostle Church
Friday, February 14th, 7pm**

more details next week



We continue to share what best describes the CWL so you can get to know us better!

Acceptance, Action, Advocacy, Belonging, Change, Charity, Compassion, Confidence, Connection, Courage, Diversity, Faith, Family, Friendship, Fulfillment, Future, Good Works, Growth, Healing, Help, Hope, Humanity, Hundreds of Resolutions, Identity, Inclusive, Innovation, Inspire, Integrity, Leaders, Love, Meaning, Mentorship, Outreach, Peace...

Power: Power is the ability to influence the course of events. Catholic Women's League resolutions have changed lives. By joining us you will be part of the power of resolutions.

If you would like more information, or join a meeting to see firsthand what we are all about, please contact Rosemary, email: fikisrm@proton.me

Kindergarten Registration with the Ottawa Catholic School Board:

If your child turns 4 by **December 31, 2025**, it's time to register them for Kindergarten at the Ottawa Catholic School Board. More info, 3D tours, registration help available at: <https://www.ocsb.ca/our-schools/kindergarten/>. Info: (613) 224-2222.

Mass Intentions

Sat. Jan. 25th – 5:00pm

✠Andrzej Bielanski by the family
Intentions of Rebecca Taylor by
S. Bertolini

Sun. Jan. 26th – 8:00am

For the intentions of all our parishioners.

Sun. Jan. 26th – 10:30am

✠Sarah Holcomb and Margaret Howard
by Ralph and Kathleen Watzenboeck
✠Charles and Jeanette Boyle by Mona Boyle
Intentions of Rebecca Taylor by
S. Bertolini

Sat. Feb. 1st – 5:00pm

✠Adele White by Peter White

Sun. Feb. 2nd – 8:00am

✠Alicia Ramirez Lescas by Noemi Perez
✠Zita Bacin by S. Bertolini

Sun. Feb. 2nd – 10:30am

For the intentions of all our parishioners.

✠ indicates deceased

2024 TAX RECEIPTS

Tax receipts for 2024 will be available in early February. If you wish to have your receipt emailed to you, please email your request to the Parish Office at:

office@stjohnthepostleparish.com

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in April 2025 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637





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