# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH

(FOUNDED IN 1849)

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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon, 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Friday Closed

#### **WEEKEND LITURGY**

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

#### **WEEKDAY LITURGY**

Monday no Mass Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Wednesday 9:00 a.m. Thursday 9:00a.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m.

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday 6:15 - 6:45 p.m.

Saturday 4:15 p.m. - 4:45 p.m., and by appointment

#### **OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS**

Tuesday evening Mass

#### SACRED HEART DEVOTION

Thursdays at 9:00 a.m.

#### **BAPTISMS**

Please contact the parish office. Baptisms are on the third Sunday of each month at 12:30 p.m.

#### **MARRIAGES**

Please contact the Pastor at least nine months in advance.

#### PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

For more information or assistance contact our parish priest(s) or see www.vocationinfo.ca

#### **VOLUNTEERING FOR A MINISTRY**

To volunteer in ministry or activities, go to our website and complete a volunteering form through the "Help" tile on the hompage.

#### **CATHOLIC FUNERAL RITES**

When a death occurs in your family please advise the priest immediately and they will assist you in making the liturgical arrangements. For information on Catholic burial, contact the cemetery office at 905-522-7727 or 1-800-661-5985.

#### **NEW PARISHIONERS**

We invite you to take the time to complete a registration form, located at all doors of the church. Please drop it into the collection basket.

#### **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

All bulletin announcements MUST be received by the parish office no later than Monday at 3:30 p.m. to ensure publication in the upcoming Sunday Bulletin.

# EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, FRIDAYS FOR 15 MINUTES AFTER 9 AM MASS FOLLOWED BY BENEDICTION

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE http://www.stjohnthebaptist.ca** for articles & photos of all parish activities.



# Mass Intentions

"I do choose. Be made clean!"

- Mark 1:42

Monday February 12

lames 1:1-11; Mark 8:11-13 - No Mass

Tuesday February 13

James 1:12-18; Mark 8:14-21

7 PM – Bob Prociuk & Frank Huyge

Wednesday February 14 - Ash Wednesday (Distribution of Ashes)

loel 2:12-18; 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

9 AM – Dievla Memettre

7 PM – Collette Livingston

Thursday February 15

Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Luke 9:22-25

9 AM – Marian Niedzwieki

Friday February 16

Isaiah 58:1-9a: Matthew 9:14-15

9 AM - Intentions of Estere B. Raymond

7 PM – Stations of the Cross

Saturday February 17

Isaiah 58:9b-14; Luke 5:27-32

5 PM - Barry McDonnell

Sunday February 18 - 1st Sunday of Lent

Genesis 9:8-15: 1 Peter 3:18-22: Mark 1:12-15

9 AM – William Dermody

11 AM – Pro Populo



#### Our Parish

Monday February 12

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday February 13

Pancake Supper – 5 to 7 PM – Hall

Wednesday February 14

Women's AA Group - 6:15 PM -

Friday February 16

AA Meeting – 8 PM – Hall

Sunday February 18

Baptisms – 12:30 PM – Church



Monday, February 19 is Family Day and the parish office will be closed that day.



Ash Wednesday will be here on February 14. Are you prepared? Lent is a time for repentance, change of heart and prayer. Give some thought now to prepare for your Lenten practice.

#### Sunday Offerings



#### IN OUR PARISH

Sunday February 4, 2024: \$6,136.00

Our "Toonie collection" so far totals \$8,422 and is growing. Thank you so much for taking part!

#### **ASH WEDNESDAY**

Ash Wednesday is February 14. Two Masses will be held: 9:00 a.m and 7:00 p.m with distribution of ashes as an exterior sign and an Inner Resolution of Penance through PRAYER, FASTING AND SHARING.

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will be held at 7:00 p.m every Friday of Lent.

#### **NEW SCHEDULE FOR CONFESSIONS**

Tuesday: 6:15 - 6:45 p.m. Saturday: 4:15 – 4:45 p.m.

#### ST. JOHN'S PARISH 175TH ANNIVERSARY

This year marks the 175th anniversary of St. John the Baptist Parish, in Burlington. We have much to celebrate and much to be thankful for. Several events to commemorate this joyous milestone are being planned throughout the upcoming year. Details will soon follow. Celebrations commence with the 175th Anniversary Mass, at St. John's Church, on Sunday, June 2nd, at 3:00 p.m., and will be celebrated by His Excellency Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, Bishop of Hamilton. All are welcome.

175th Anniversary Dinner and Dance Celebration is taking place on June 2, at the Burlington Convention Centre, 1120 Burloak Drive, in Burlington. Family and friends are welcome. Doors open at 5:00 p.m., cash bar. Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Dinner includes: soup, salad, chicken breast, potatoes, vegetables, dessert and one bottle of red and white wine per table. Price per person is \$70.00. Ticket sales are first come first served. Tickets will be available for purchase following each weekend Mass from February 10 through to March 3.

## IN THE DIOCESE

#### YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT

(Saturday, March 2 – Hamilton): Fr. Mark Morley invites young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of Adoration, fellowship and music for Lent in support of you as you discern your vocation and as we prepare to celebrate Easter. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food, vocations testimony, music, and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, March 2nd at St. Ann Roman Catholic Parish (120 Sherman Avenue North, Hamilton). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

**THE PRIESTS' DAY OF PRAYER** for Lent is scheduled for the First Week of Lent. We gather at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton, on *Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>*, beginning at 9:30 a.m. and at *Our Lady of Lourdes Parish*, Waterloo, on February 21<sup>st</sup>, beginning at 9:30. Father Matthew Durham will be the presenting Priest. Priests are reminded of the courtesy to inform Vocations Office of your intention to stay for the luncheon – to help with planning.

THE RITE OF ELECTION for candidates of the *Rite for Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)* takes place at 1:30 p.m. on the First Sunday of Lent, February 18<sup>th</sup>. Both the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton, (for those in the "southern" part of the Diocese), and at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph (for those from parishes in the "northern" part of the Diocese), will welcome candidates and their sponsors. The Rite of Election is a profoundly moving ceremony where candidates make their final commitment to the process and become *The Elect* of the Roman Catholic Church. You are welcome to join us at one or other of the ceremonies.



#### LOST AND FOUND NOTICE

If you have lost something, please check the Lost & Found baskets located at the Brant Street entrance to the Church. All items that are unclaimed after a month will be donated or discarded.

## PANCAKE TUESDAY!



All are invited to the parish hall on Tuesday, February 13 for a Pancake Dinner for Strove Tuesday. Come and enjoy pancakes from 5 to 7 p.m. Cost is a free-will offering.

## IN THE COMMUNITY

# STRUGGLING MARRIAGE? FIND HOPE WITH RETROUVAILLE

Does your marriage feel like it is more trouble than joy? Does it feel stagnant or disconnected? Is it causing you constant stress? The solution is Retrouvaille – a program designed to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, is designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It has proven positive results for struggling couples, including those who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend is March 8-10, 2024. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com.

Men's Retreat - 15-17 March 2024, to be held at Manresa, 2325 Liverpool Road, Pickering. Topic will be "To be like Mary – Immersed in God's Divine Life" By Fr. John Sullivan S.J. To live as a Christian in the world, while at the same time living with God's vision for oneself and creation. Suggested offering - \$250. For details, please call Jonathan Fowler at 905-634-0248, or Fiona (at Manresa), 905-839-2864.



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