

# 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

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE	Rosemary Fikis	fikism@proton.me	
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Lynn Dal Farra		613-721-8111
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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	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
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## 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 \_\_\_

**SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Lectors	
<b>Jan. 24th– Jan 25th – Third Sunday of Ordinary Time</b>	
	Presider: Fr. Patrick Chongo
<b>5:00 pm</b>	#1 Dee Simons #2 Peter Stoop
	Presider: Fr. Patrick Chongo
<b>8:00am</b>	#1 Evan Paulson #2 Mary Jean Thompson
	Presider: Fr. Patrick Chongo
<b>10:30am</b>	#1 Janet Snider Belot #2 Judith Gray

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

**DINNER FOR VISITING STUDENTS**

The Parish intends to once again host a dinner for visiting students on **Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 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.***

A sign-up sheet will be available in the coming weeks to indicate what dish you can contribute. The more varied dishes, the better!.

**Last years dinner was a huge success and we need your help again, not only with preparing a dish, but also be in attendance, if possible, to act as hosts and participate in conversations.**

**Blue Envelopes – Parish Social Mission**

This weekend's special collection is our **Blue Envelope Parish Social Mission collection**. Our Social Outreach (local food banks) and Pro-Life rely on this income to carry out our commitment to address the needs of our fellow brothers and sisters. Thank you for your continued support.

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

***Dates to Remember***

**January 25<sup>th</sup> – KofC Lasagna Dinner**

**February 7<sup>th</sup> - Visiting Students Dinner**

**February 13<sup>th</sup> – Parish Memorial Mass**



**LASAGNA DINNER  
SATURDAY  
JANUARY 25TH**

***The Knights of Columbus*** are holding their annual Lasagna Dinner next **Saturday January 25<sup>th</sup>**. Cocktails at 6:00 p.m. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are limited to 90 dine-in guests but no limit to take-out (if purchased in advance) This is the last weekend to purchase tickets. Tickets will also be made available from the Parish office or by contacting Scott Cornell at [cornell926@hotmail.com](mailto:cornell926@hotmail.com) or 613-601-9350.

Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for children 5-12 years of age.

For parishioners preferring to dine at home, we are offering a take-out option as well!

**Parish Memorial Mass**

***The Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League*** are organizing the annual Parish Memorial Mass for **Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup>**, 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

What is the name of Frosty's favorite aunt?  
Aunt Arctica

What is a penguin in the Sahara Desert called?  
Lost

What did the tree say after a long winter?  
What a re-leaf!



### The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,  
may the *faith* you have given us  
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,  
and the flame of *charity* enkindled  
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
reawaken in us the blessed *hope*  
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us  
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.  
May those seeds transform from within both humanity  
and the whole cosmos  
in the sure expectation  
of a new heaven and a new earth,  
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,  
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee  
reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread  
the joy and peace of our Redeemer  
throughout the earth.  
To you our God, eternally blessed,  
be glory and praise for ever.  
Amen

*Pope Francis II*

### Mass Intentions

Sat. Jan. 18th – 5:00pm

✠Adele White by Peter White

✠Thomas and Daniel White by Cynthia White

Sun. Jan. 19th – 8:00am

For the intentions of all our parishioners.

Sun. Jan. 19th – 10:30am

✠Vern Timm by the family

Sat. Jan. 25th – 5:00pm

Sun. Jan. 26th – 8:00am

For the intentions of all our parishioners.

Sun. Jan. 26th – 10:30am

✠Sarah Holcomb by Ralph and  
Kathleen Watzenboeck

✠Charles and Jeanette Boyle by Mona Boyle

✠ 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@stjohntheapostleparish.com](mailto:office@stjohntheapostleparish.com)

### **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.

**Please help keep our Church clean:** With flu  
season upon us, and in consideration for those  
most vulnerable, it would be appreciated if used  
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*Thank you*



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