

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
 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	Audrey Wojcik	audrey.wojcik@yahoo.ca	
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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	613-224-8081
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	lismarielynn13@gmail.com	613-614-5566
PRO-LIFE MINISTRY	James Lariviere	jmlariv@protonmail.com	
	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
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 ___

THANK YOU

“And no one takes this honor on himself, but he receives it when called by God, just as Aaron was” (Heb 5:4)

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, it is with a heart deeply humbled and filled with gratitude that I write to thank you all for celebrating me and with me on the Silver Jubilee of my priestly ordination. As I have repeatedly said in different fora all this while, it is by the special grace of God that I am what I am. It is not by merit, but purely by his grace. God does not call the qualified, but he qualifies the called.

Thank you so much for the gift of your time, appreciation, goodwill and for your immeasurable generosity. It is deeply appreciated. On behalf of myself and my entire family, I wish to thank all of you for all you have been to me especially at this celebration. May the good Lord bless each one of you and replenish a hundred-fold all you have put into this celebration. May He meet each one of you at your own points of need. You will always be in my prayers.

God bless and thank you again.

Fr Emeka Onyeogubalu



Fellow parishioners, we are happy to announce that the special collection for Father Emeka's 25th Anniversary raised \$4,000. The money raised was presented to Father at the anniversary dinner on Sept. 14th and will help him fund his trip back home to celebrate with family and friends.

In addition to the monetary gift, the parish also presented Father with the beautiful plaque pictured above, as a memento of this occasion. The plaque consists of a silver icon of the Blessed Mother and Child handcrafted in the Holy Land and mounted on rosewood, with the inscription: "Gratefully presented to Father Emeka Jude Onyeogubalu on the 25th Anniversary of his Ordination. St. John the Apostle Parish, Ottawa, ON, August 14, 2024."

Dates to Remember

Oct. 6th - Life Chain at Noon

Oct. 18th - 40 Days for Life – St. John the Apostle Vigil Day



Annual call for Volunteers!!

You will find at the 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.*



Thinking about the Catholic Faith?

R.C.I.A. If you are a non-Catholic or simply a curious Catholic interested in learning more about Catholicism, then our R.C.I.A. course is for you. Sessions will begin this fall. For more information pick up a pamphlet at the entrance of the Church. To register please contact the parish office.



SUNDAY SMILE

Whenever I try to eat healthy, a chocolate bar looks at me and snickers.

He who laughs last, didn't get it.

Join Us September 30th for Reconciliation Through Art For the past two years you have heard a lot about the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund. Through your generosity our parishes have raised close to a million dollars for the Fund. To date 11 projects have received grants from the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund. The newest grant recipient is the Métis Artist Collective who is hosting Reconciliation Through Art on September 30th at the Mississippi Valley Textile Museum (3 Rosamond Street East.) The day, which runs from 10 am to 8 pm, will feature art, storytelling and performances from local and Indigenous artists. The artists will be selling their art, explaining and demonstrating their craft, and telling the stories behind their pieces. There will also be workshops, presentations, and storytelling throughout the day. We invite you to make the drive over to Almonte both to support these artists as well as see how your financial contributions do indeed make a difference. **To get all the details about what promises to be a wonderful event including your free tickets go to reconciliationthroughart.ca**

Pro-Life – Life Chain, Sunday, Oct. 6th

You are invited to be a part of an important pro-life witness on **Sunday, October 6th at Noon. Following the 10:30 am Mass**, we will be gathering in front of Saint John the Apostle Church and then proceed to make witness on the sidewalk on Baseline Road.

40 Days for Life: Parish Vigil Day. Friday, Oct. 18th 7am-7pm, Southwest Corner of Queen Street at Bank Street. A call to action of silent prayer, fasting, and public vigil for an end to abortion in our community, continues daily from 7 am to 7pm to November 3. **Please commit to one hour of public prayer for our vigil day by signing-up at either entrances of the church or contact James Lariviere at 613-883-8670 or jmlariv@protonmail.com.**

14th Annual Autumn Pilgrimage to St-Joseph's Oratory on **Sunday, Oct. 20th**. Seats are limited. **Cut off date Oct. 4th**. See posters at the entrance. For info.: Mike Budge 613-224-8110: mikebudge2021@gmail.com

Rosary Pilgrimage, Thursday, Oct. 3rd. Come walk with us! Celebrate the 9:00am Mass at St. Patrick's Fallowfield and pilgrimage to St. Mary's Parish, Ottawa. Check out pilgrimage details: route, optional starting points, etc. at the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/y3upd9nm>

Mass Intentions

Sat. Sept. 28th – 5:00pm

✠Winifred Weerasooriya by Audrey and Ray Kostuch
✠Ron and Joan Perry by Patricia and Ann Perry

Sun. Sept. 29th – 8:00am

✠Carl Dervin by Lynn Harriet-Dervin
✠Sandy Burnett by Jamie Burnett
✠Lina Mowat by her family

Sun. Sept. 29th – 10:30am

For the intentions of all our parishioners.

Tues. Oct. 1st – 9:00am

✠Lina Mowat by the family

Wed. Oct. 2nd – 9:00am

For special intentions by Helen Golightly

Thurs. Oct. 3rd – 9:00am

✠Alfred Aaron and Wong Ming Kew by Doreen Aaron

Fri. Oct. 4th – 9:00am

✠Kamil Nierojewski by his wife Elizabeth
For all members of the Golightly family by Helen Golightly

Sat. Oct. 5th – 9:00am

For the protection of all human life.

Sat. Oct. 5th – 5:00pm

✠Adele White by Peter White
✠Soledad Soto by Olivia Gomez
✠Terry Armstrong by Patricia and Ann Perry

Sun. Oct. 6th – 8:00am

For the intentions of all our parishioners.

Sun. Oct. 6th – 10:30am

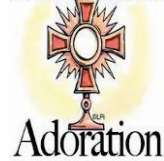
✠Robert and Regina by the family

✠ indicates deceased



Please remember the sick and their families who journey with them, especially Peter Kerslake and Frank Egan.

Eucharistic



EVERY FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH FOLLOWING 9:00AM MASS TO 10:30AM

COME SPEND AN HOUR WITH OUR LORD!



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