

**SACRAMENT PREPARATION PROGRAMS**

2013 – 2014

**FIRST RECONCILIATION**

“Celebrating God’s Love”  
(Grade 2)

**CHILDREN’S RETREAT DAY**  
in the Parish Centre (children only)

Saturday, November 23  
10:00 am – 12:00 pm (A-L) 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm (M-Z)

**CONFIRMATION**

“Anointed for Mission”  
(Grade 8)

**RITE OF ENROLMENT**

at the Church (parents & children)  
Saturday, November 16 at 5:00 pm or  
Sunday, November 17 at 9:00 am or 11 am

The Book of Life

The month of November is traditionally known as the month of the Holy Souls, having at its beginning the two great feasts - All Saints and All Souls. To commemorate your faithful departed family and friends, you are invited to submit a page for the “Book of Life.” This page should be 8 ½” by 11” and fit into a standard 3-ring binder. On it you may type or print the names of whomever you would like to have remembered in a special way at all our parish Masses during November. You may decorate your “Family Page” in whatever way you wish as long as it fits the above requirements. This “Book of Life” will be left in the sanctuary during November to remind us to pray, at church and at home for our loved ones.

**SVDP****Help is at Hand for Christmas**

Parishioners: If you know of a family within the Parish in need of help at Christmas time, or a Senior, or a shut-in with little or no family support that would benefit from a Christmas basket, please call and make us aware of their need of some help. Thank you!  
Call Rita Hadden (905) 668-1889 or email [rhadden@rogers.com](mailto:rhadden@rogers.com)

**FINAL NIGHT!****Dogmatic Theology**

**Nov 11, 2013 at 7:30pm**

*Do Dogs Go to Heaven?*

*Mortality, Grief and Eternal Life*

**CWL November Meeting**

All ladies of the parish are most welcome to join our CWL General Meeting on Thursday, November 21st at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Centre. Father Damian Ali, our guest speaker, will be sharing his travel experience to Ireland this past summer. He will also highlight the shrines he visited. Reminder to all CWL members, membership fees for 2014 is due. If you require transportation to the meeting, please call Lynne Childerhouse at 905-668-5206.

**CWL WARM CLOTHING DRIVE****Catholic Missions in Canada**

The Catholic Women’s League would like to express their gratitude for your overwhelming support of the clothing drive for Catholic Missions in Canada. Through your generous donations, we have packed up 13 large boxes, 8 medium boxes and 3 small boxes for the Canadian missions. They will be delivered to the main office in Toronto and then distributed to the areas of greatest need once transportation to the outlying areas is arranged. Shipping is always a challenge because of its costs and many areas are only accessible by air. Thank you also to those parishioners who provided monetary donations. Please continue to keep Catholic Missions in your prayers. Thank you once again, for answering the call to support our brothers and sisters in the Canadian missions.

**ALTAR SERVER’S AWARD**

Congratulations to the following altar servers from St. John’s Parish who were recipients of the Bishop’s Altar Server Awards for Durham Region:

**Geoffrey De Freitas**

**Chanta Finlay**

**Katie Gaboury**

**Kathleen Gillis**

**Sarah Hamilton**

**Zachariah Veltri-Sampogna**

The awards were distributed at St. Barnabas Parish, in Scarborough, on Saturday, October 19.

Thank you to all of the altar servers who, week after week, carry out their ministry with diligence and faithfulness, and thank you to Mr. Charles De Sousa, for coordinating this ministry and for training new altar servers.

**Looking Ahead**

**Nov 9/10** Missals available \$4.00



**Mon Nov 11**

7:30 – 9pm Dogmatic Theology, PC main

**Tues Nov 12**

9:30am Mass at St. Marguerite d’Youville  
7:30pm Choir rehearsal, PC main

**Wed. Nov 13**

1pm Prayer Group, PC main  
6:00 – 6:50pm PHCP, Gr 1-8, PC all, St. Jos/Alb Rms  
7:30pm PHCP Bible Ceremony & Reception, PC #1

7:30pm Pastoral Council Mtg, PC main

**Thu Nov 14**

9:15am Mass with St. John’s school in the church

**Fri Nov 15**

7:30pm RCIA, PC#1

**Sat. Nov 16/ Sun Nov 17**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – Shepherds' Trust  
5pm, 9am, 11am Confirmation Rite of  
Enrolment



### Masses For The Week

Sat. Nov 9 – 5:00pm  
**+Donald Cave**  
req. by The Family

Tues. Nov 12 – 8:20am  
**+Maurizio Misasi**  
req. by Anna & Mario Misasi

Wed. Nov 13 – 7pm  
**+Bill Van Berkel**  
req. by Ken Reilly & Mary Louise LaBarre  
& Family

Thur. Nov 14 – 8:20am  
**+Daniel Fitzmorris**  
req. by His Estate

Fri. Nov 15 – 8:20am  
**+Rosina & Antonio Bozzarello**  
req. by Natale & Anna Ciardullo

Sat. Nov 16 - 5:00pm  
**+Ernest & Helen Ferry**  
req. by Their Children



### Make A Joyful Noise To the Lord!

**St. John the Evangelist Parish**  
**Children's Christmas Choir 2013**  
**Music Ministry at Mass**  
**December 24<sup>th</sup> 4:30 to 6:30 pm**

Calling all young singers, age 7 and up!  
You are invited to share your talents as  
Music Ministers, leading the people in  
singing praise to God  
for **Christmas Eve 5 pm Family mass.**

WHERE? **Rehearsals** will all be  
held at St John the Evangelist Parish  
Centre.

WHEN? **3:00- 4:15 Saturdays**  
**Nov 30, Dec 7, Dec 14**  
**2:15-4:15 pm Saturday Dec 21**  
**CANTORS REHEARSALS:**  
**same dates from 2-3pm**

Attendance at **ALL** rehearsals is  
necessary for all choir members, so  
that we learn the music well, build a  
solid team effort in harmony, and feel  
confident and ready to lead song  
together. Pre-registration is  
appreciated.  
Youth leaders welcome!

Email Eileen to register:  
ejpmcgowan1@rogers.com

## A Letter of thanks from Fr. Charles Egbulefu

*Dear Fr. Damian, Deacon Anthony  
Stone and Parishioners of St. John the  
Evangelist Parish:  
Praise be to our Lord Jesus Christ now  
and forever. Amen! I want to express my  
own unalloyed gratitude to you all for  
your hospitality, support, and  
generosity.*

*Thank you Fr. Damian for being a  
welcoming, good, happy and generous  
Pastor. Thank you for taking me to  
wonderful sites in Ontario. Hence,  
apart from being a wonderful Pastor,  
you are also a good host. May God be  
your strength and joy!*

*Thank you Deacon Anthony for your  
diaconal assistance and support with  
paternal touch during my stay in St  
John the Evangelist Parish, Whitby.  
Thank you very much!*

*I thank the highly esteemed and  
good staff of the parish for their support  
and generosity during my stay. I thank  
the Pastoral Council for organizing a  
wonderful and touching sent forth party  
on my behalf. I thank the Knights of  
Columbus for their generosity. I thank  
the CWL for the mass booked on my  
behalf. I thank the Choir and the Altar  
Servers.*

*I thank you, the parishioners, and  
the good work you do. Your generous  
supportive and communal presence is  
angelic. Thank you very much for your  
friendship and generosity. May God be  
your reward, support and joy!  
Thank you very much, God bless you  
all!*

*In Christ the Emmanuel,  
Fr. Charles Egbulefu, CCE*



### Shepherds' Trust

The Shepherds' Trust has  
a mission to provide,  
comfort and care for those  
who have steadfastly cared for us –  
our retired priests. As parishioners,  
we have our own memories of a  
Catholic priest who made a positive,  
meaningful and lasting impact in our  
lives.

Each year, thousands of people  
contribute to the Shepherds' Trust.  
The collection will take place in all  
parishes in the Archdiocese on  
November 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>. Envelopes will  
be distributed the weekend of  
November 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>.

We want our priests to retire safely  
and with dignity. The Shepherds'  
Trust allows us to help achieve this  
goal.

Your generosity is deeply  
appreciated.

### Looking Further Ahead

**Sat/Sun Nov 23/24** Parish Photo  
Distribution after all Masses

#### Wed Nov 27

7:30pm Intro to Theology of the Body

**Sun Dec 1** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent Keep  
Christ in Christmas Magnets provided by  
Knights of Columbus  
CWL Membership Drive

#### Sat/Sun Dec 7/8

Special Collection designated by  
Archdiocese for Aboriginal People  
CWL Christmas Cakes

Knights of Columbus Membership Drive  
**Mon Dec 9** – Mass at 8:20am for Feast  
of the Immaculate Conception of Blessed  
Virgin Mary

#### Wed Dec 11

Day of Confessions throughout the  
Archdiocese of Toronto

#### Sat/Sun Dec 14/15

(Sun) 7pm Evening of Reconciliation  
St Vincent de Paul Coin Banks are  
collected  
2014 Offertory Envelopes are available  
for pickup

**2013-2014 Missals will be  
available for pickup starting  
November 9/10. The cost is \$4.00  
per missal.**