

SACRAMENT PREPARATION PROGRAMS		
2014 – 2015		
FIRST RECONCILIATION “Celebrating God’s Love” (Grade 2)	FIRST EUCHARIST "Invited to the Feast" (Grade 2)	CONFIRMATION “Anointed for Mission” (Grade 8)
REGISTRATION in the Church (parents only) Tuesday, Sept. 23, 7:00 pm (please bring a \$30 fee for program expenses and a photocopy of your child's Baptism Certificate)		REGISTRATION at the Church (parents & children) Tuesday, Oct. 7 at 7:00 pm (please bring a \$35 fee for program expenses and a photocopy of your child's Baptism Certificate)
PARENTS' MEETING in the Church (parents only) Tuesday Sept. 30, 7:30 pm		
Note that registration for the sacraments this year will take place on these dates <u>only</u> . Late registrations will be deferred to the Fall of 2015. Please make sure these dates are on your calendar.		

Today we welcome Sr. Deirdre Burgess from the Franciscan Missionary Sisters for Africa.

Schedule Change!
 Father Robert Barron's Series on "The Eucharist" will be delayed.
 New Start Date: October 14th,
 Tuesdays – 7:30 to 8:30 pm
 St. Joseph Room
 Series will run every Tuesday from that start date with the last session on November 11th

Pastoral Council Meeting for new and returning council members is Wednesday September 10th at 7:45pm in the Parish Centre. Prior to the meeting, there is a Commissioning for the Pastoral Council at the 7pm Mass.



“STEAKS 4 RENOS”
Friday September 19, 2014
 Cocktails - 6:15 PM
 Dinner - 7:00pm
 Knight's of Columbus Hall
 133 Brock St. N Whitby ON
Salad, Rolls & Butter, Steak, Baked Potatoes, Vegetables, Dessert, Tea & Coffee
 Cash Bar
\$20.00 per person
 Proceeds to St. John's Renovations



PARISH CORN ROAST
SAT, SEPT 13, 2014
At 6:00 pm.
PARISH CENTRE
Advanced tickets
On sale in the foyer after Mass
Aug 30/31, and September 6/7
\$4/single, \$6/couple, \$12/family

Feed the Hungry
For I was hungry and you gave me to eat Matt. 25:35

Have you eve wondered what the aluminum pans at the back of the church each month are for?
 For the past eleven years, the parishioners of St. John's have been taking one of these containers and preparing the recipe with information sheet enclosed. The casseroles are then frozen and returned to the church parking lot on the following Saturday between 1pm and 1:30pm. Volunteers are waiting to deliver the casseroles directly to St. Vincent Pallotti Kitchen in Oshawa. These casseroles are served at the kitchen, distributed to those who request or handed out when needed to shelters in the area.
 Thank you to all who have dedicated their time and efforts to this ministry – may God bless you!

Pastoral Council – New Members
 We wish to welcome the following new members to our Pastoral Council: Mike Cvitkovic, Ed Lescisin, Karen Fitzsimmons, Jeff Grujicich, and Iris McNulty
 We wish to thank the following members for their dedicated service of 4 years: Pat Milburn, Pat Garrard, Kathie Steffler, PJ Dallimore, and Gail McMonagle.



Masses For The Week

Sat. Aug 23 – 5:00pm
+George Borg
req. by Fred & Terry Borg

Tues. Aug 26 – 8:20am
+Anthony Clynych
req. by Emma Clynych & Family

Wed. Aug. 27 - 7:00pm
+Domenico Albis
req. by Rosa & Family

Thur. Aug 28 – 8:20am
Intentions of the Barach Family
req. by The Family

Fri. Aug 29 – 8:20am
+Rose Reyes
req. by Emma Clynych

Sat. Aug 30 – 5:00pm
+Dorothy LeBlanc
req. by Felix LeBlanc & Family

PARISH HOME CATECHISM PROGRAM (PHCP)

St. John the Evangelist PHCP provides faith formation for children Grades 1-8 who attend public, private or alternative schools. Our mission is to assist parents in developing the Catholic Faith in their children. The PHCP runs Wednesday evenings, **6:15 – 7:15 p.m.**, September through to May. Classes begin **Wednesday, September 10th**.

For those families who have not yet registered for the 2014/15 sessions, you are reminded to attend our third and final registration session on **Wednesday, August 27th from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. in Room #1 of the Parish Centre.** The registration fee is **\$30 per child** which includes the cost of the required student workbook.

Please Note: Parents are required to provide baptismal records only for their children who are **NEW** to the PHCP and who were **not** baptized at St. John the Evangelist Church.

CATECHISTS URGENTLY NEEDED!

Our catechism classes are taught primarily by volunteer catechists dedicated to helping our parish children to discover and experience God's presence in their lives, through on-going religious formation in the Roman Catholic tradition. Currently we are still seeking 2 catechists to complete our team. If you are interested in sharing your time, talents, and the gift of your faith with our children, please contact **Cathy Dykeman, PHCP Coordinator @ 905-668-0724 or cdykeman.phcp@gmail.com**. High school students looking to complete their community service hours are encouraged and welcome to join our team as well.

"Young people are the window through which the future enters the world." ~Pope Francis

**Social Sunday
Sunday September 7, 2014
After 9am & 11am Masses**

Feed the Hungry Containers will be available for pickup Sept 6/7

Looking Ahead

Wed Aug 27

6pm – 7:30pm PHCP Registration, PC

Thu Aug 28

7:30pm CWL Executive Meeting, PC main

Fri Sept 5 -First Friday

Mass at 8:20am followed by 1 hour of exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Durham District Catholic School Board, Continuing Education Centre
Fall 2014 Course Guides are available in the foyer. Courses offered in Computers, High School Credit Courses, English as a Second Language, Literacy/Upgrading, and Personal Support Worker. Day classes begin Sept 8th.

Attention: Catholic Teachers

Planning to be a Catholic Teacher? It is CRITICAL for you to know that to be hired to teach in any Catholic school board in Ontario, as part of your application for employment there must be a letter of reference from your pastor. If you (or if your adult child) is planning to apply to teach in a Catholic school, it is highly recommended you contact the pastor before Thanksgiving. Please plan to have a conversation with your pastor early in the process and you will avoid disappointment and stress at the time when applications are to be submitted.



CWL 75th ANNIVERSARY COMMUNION LUNCHEON

Our Catholic Women's League parish council will be holding a Communion Luncheon in celebration of our 75th anniversary as a CWL council on **Sunday September 28th, after the 11:00 a.m. mass, at Bella Notte Ristorante** in Whitby. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

The theme of the celebration is **"Ignite the Spark ... Nurture the Flame.** Our guest speaker will be Margaret Ann Jacobs, a member of the CWL national executive. **Tickets will be on sale at the back of the church at weekend mass in early September.** \$20.00 per ticket includes a sit down lunch. If you have any questions, or wish to reserve a ticket, please contact Iris

McNulty at 905-668-3218 or irismcnultycwl@hotmail.com

Ministry Corner

The following Ministry is in need of more members

TAUNTON MILLS SUNDAY COMMUNION MINISTRY

A very active group of people go to Taunton Mills Nursing Home every Sunday morning after the 9:00 a.m. Mass. We take communion or offer a blessing to a list of residents indicated as Roman Catholic, to their rooms or in the common areas. Those residents who are unable to receive the host receive a blessing. For each person we try to spend a few moments and then we lead them in an Our Father. We gather for an ecumenical service celebrated by a Chaplain for all residents of the Nursing Home and the Retirement area.

The approximate time of commitment is about 1 ½ hours, once every 6 weeks.

In order to make a commitment to this ministry it is necessary to contact Kathie Steffler, Ontario Screening Ministry, to be screened. Because we are in touch with very vulnerable people we are also required to have a police check. This is done through the church office. New members to the team will go with one of the experienced members, in order to learn the routines.

If you are interested in the ministry, please contact Sheila Larkin 905 668-4907.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul ***Helping Our Needy Neighbours***

The pantry is very low! As the new school year approaches our needy clients find their limited funds stretched.

We appreciate all donations but especially require:

Peanut butter – canned fruit – canned pasta – cold cereal – canned meat – canned fish – baked beans.

We cannot use any foods donated with expired best before dates.