

SACRAMENT PREPARATION PROGRAMS

2014 – 2015

FIRST RECONCILIATION

“Celebrating God’s Love”
(Grade 2)

CHILDREN’S RETREAT DAY

in the Parish Centre (children only)
Saturday, November 22

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

CONFIRMATION

“Anointed for Mission”
(Grade 8)

PARENT & CANDIDATE MEETING

in the Church

Saturday, November 1

St. John, St. Marguerite, St. Luke, PHCP & Other 10:00 –
11:30 am

It is mandatory that all children who do not attend Catholic school participate in the Parish Home Catechism Program for TWO years prior to receiving each sacrament.

THE LIVING ROSARY FOR WORLD PEACE

October is the month of The Rosary and we are asking the everyone to join us for a Living Rosary for WORLD PEACE.

St. John’s Parish is hosting the Living Rosary on **Thursday, October 23th at 7:30 pm - 8:15pm.**

So please join us in the Parish Centre. All are welcome: beginners, men, women and especially children gr. 2+. All prayers and pictures provided through slideshow. Participants are welcome to say the Rosary in their mother tongue or native language AND BRING A FLAG OF ANY COUNTRY!

Come experience the Rosary like never before! Colourful ropes, colourful lights, music, coffee/tea and cake! Available for free! For further details please contact Martha at stew.hamilton@sympatico.ca or call 905-430-2444.

Society of St Vincent de Paul Thanksgiving Food Drive

The members of our Parish Conference would like to thank their fellow parishioners along with the Staff, Students and Families of All Saints Catholic Secondary High School, St John the Evangelist Elementary School, St Luke the Evangelist Elementary School St Marguerite D’ Youville Elementary School and West Lynde Public School for their contributions to our Thanksgiving Food Drives. Through their generosity, we will be able to continue to provide emergency food and other assistance to our needy neighbors.

St. Vincent De Paul Quarterly Report

Through the generosity of the parishioners of St. John the Evangelist, for the period of July1 to September 30, 2014, a total of 153 families in need within our community were visited by members of the St. Vincent De Paul Society. 153 adults and 145 children were given assistance. 158 bags of non-perishable groceries were delivered together with fresh food vouchers totaling \$4590. Your continued support in helping those less fortunate in our community is greatly appreciated

A Very Big Thank you to the Liturgical Committee;

Irena S., Ed L., and Mike C. and to Gail M. and Pat G. for your help and contribution to the decorating of the church for Thanksgiving Day Weekend. Thank you to Vandermeer Nursery for their professionalism and assistance.

If there are any parishioners who would like to get involved with the decorating of the church, please leave your name and number at the church and I will be most happy to get in touch with you for our next Liturgical celebration.

**Margaret Lance, Vice Chair
Pastoral Council**

Our CWL are taking donations for their annual bazaar. A collection bin is in the foyer October 18/19 & 25/26. Please refer to today’s insert for items to donate. Thank you for your support!

St. Mary of the People Annual Tree Lights Bazaar

Saturday November 8 9:30am – 2:30pm
Parish Hall, Oshawa, ON

Holy Family Christmas Bazaar

Saturday November 8th
8am to 5pm

Please join us in the St. Joseph Room on Tuesdays starting for two Rev. Robert Barron series:

The Sessions for “The Eucharist” (7:30 to 8:30pm):
October 21st – Sacrifice
October 28th – Real Presence

The Sessions for “The New Evangelization”:
November 4th – Introduction to the New Evangelization & New Ardor (7:30 to 8:30pm)
November 11th – New Expressions & New Methods (Note: 7:30 to 9:00pm)

CHRISTMAS SPONSORSHIP

St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. John the Evangelist Parish Please consider sponsoring a needy family this Christmas

- Sponsors remain anonymous and so do the needy families who ask for help.
- Special requests for large or small families can be accommodated. Office groups or combined families sometimes join to sponsor a large family with, perhaps, 4 – 6 children.
- Sponsors are given information about their chosen families: how many boys and girls, their ages, and sizes as well as their interests.
- A sponsor is asked to provide gifts for the children. If desired, a small memento may be included for parents.
- Sponsors are asked to wrap and to tag gifts with, for instance, BOY, AGE 8.
- There is no dollar value suggested. It is whatever a sponsor cares to spend. The Saint Vincent de Paul Society will include grocery vouchers so each family can enjoy a Christmas dinner.
- Members of the Society and a faithful group of volunteers will deliver your gifts to families in time for Christmas.
- The aim of the Society is to match sponsors and needy families by early December but often names come in later. Since our policy is never to turn a family away, we ask for your understanding if we must contact you later in the month.

**SIGN UP TO BECOME A SPONSOR on:
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1, in the church
foyer after the 5:00 Mass or
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, in the parish
centre after the 9 and 11 am Masses**

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, call RITA
HADDEN, 905-668-1889**

or

e-mail rhadden@bell.net

**You will be asked to bring wrapped gifts
to the Parish Centre on December 16,
2014 from 1 – 4 pm or from 7 – 9 pm.**

WE THANK YOU FOR CHOOSING TO BECOME A SPONSOR. If you prefer, a cash donation to the Society will be most welcome. Please mark "Christmas" on a Society envelope stored at the back of the church and drop it into a "poor box." Society income tax receipts for cash donations will be mailed in February.

**WE WISH YOU A HOLY AND
BLESSED CHRISTMAS**



Pilgrimage to Rome
June 28 – July 7,
2015

Former St. John the Evangelist pastor, Father Anthony Iacobelli and parishioner John Ecker, are again leading a Parish Pilgrimage to Italy. This is a pilgrimage for parishioners who wish to deepen their Catholic faith and knowledge of history. The trip is professionally guided by an experienced Catholic guide.

Includes:

Airfare Toronto-Rome return; all transfers in Rome; 8 nights accommodation; breakfast daily; 3 lunches; 5 evening meals; all ground transportation. Visit major sites in Rome, including St. Peter's Basilica, Sistine Chapel, Vatican museums; a Papal audience, and a day trip to Assisi. New features for this pilgrimage: visit to the picturesque Trastevere neighbourhood, tour of ancient catacombs, visit to San Lorenzo Basilica, day trip to Florence to see major works of art.

Space is limited. The cost is \$3495.00 per person (based on double accommodation). The deadline for booking, with deposits of \$500.00 is December 15th. Brochures are available at the back of the church. To learn more please contact John Ecker, evenings, at 905.666.0218 or via email at jefecker@yahoo.ca

World Mission Sunday

Today is World Mission Sunday, with Catholics throughout the world, we are called to offer our prayers and generous financial support, through the Propagation of the Faith, for the worldwide mission of Jesus. You gift on World Mission Sunday helps...

- People in remote villages, towns and cities through the witness and work of missionaries and local priests.
- Children, the elderly, refugees, the sick, and orphans through the service of Religious Sisters and Brothers.

- To bring the Gospel to the poorest of our human family
- Catechists proclaim the message of hope and peace that only Christ can give.

Please offer prayer for the work of the Church in the Missions today – Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands and Latin America. And please be as generous as you can today, World Mission Sunday.



Masses For The Week

- Sat. Oct 18 – 5:00pm
+Giacomo Bellotto
req. by Elisa Bellotto & Family
- Tues. Oct 21 – 8:20am
+Hermina Van de Ven
req. by Her Family
- Wed. Oct 22 - 7:00pm
+Raffaele & Rosetta La Torre
req. by Mr & Mrs Antonio La Torre
- Thur. Oct 23 – 8:20am
+Giacomo Siciliano
req. by The Siciliano Family
- Fri. Oct 24 – 8:20am
+Jim Nadeau
req. by Dave & Mary Chown
- Sat. Oct 25 – 5:00pm
+Zbigniew Klink
req. by Debby & Chris Klink



High School Students Needing Community Service Hours

Any students in high school wishing to add to their community service are needed to help out with leaf raking on the parish grounds during the months of October and November. Please call the office and ask for Troy (905) 668-3676.

Looking Ahead

Sun Oct 19

2pm Mass & Celebration for 50th Anniversary Denis O'Connor, Celebrant: Cardinal Collins

Tues Oct 21

7:30pm Fr. R. Barron DVD Series, St. Joseph's Room

Wed. Oct 22

1pm Prayer Group, PC main
6:15 – 7:15pm PHCP, PC all, St. Jos/Alb Rms

Thur Oct 23

7pm RCIA, PC#1
7:30pm Living Rosary for World Peace, PC main

Fri Oct 24

10am Mass at Taunton Mills