

St. John the Baptist Parish—Weekly Activities

September 24, 2017

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“So the last will be first and the first last” - MATTHEW 20:16

You’ve heard the saying “it’s not where you start, but how you finish.” This certainly applies to this Bible passage. We have a responsibility not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. We are called to generously share our gifts with others, not hoard them for our own use. Our gratitude and generosity helps us live “God-centered” lives and not “self-centered” lives.

Readings for October 1, 2017

First Reading : Ezekiel 18.25-28

When the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed, they shall save their life.

Psalm : 25

Lord, be mindful of your mercy.

Second Reading : Philippians 2.1-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus.

Gospel : Matthew 21.28-32

The tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of heaven ahead of you.

Financial Report September 17, 2017

Offeratories:	
Regular Sunday Collection	\$ 5,675.45
Building Fund	\$ 3,355.00
Assessment:	
Total 2017 Assessment	\$ 68,142.96
Balance as of July 15, '17	\$ 39,080.91
Restoration fund Savings	
(to be used for New Roof Loan)	\$ 56,910.42
Gift Card Report	
Profit last week	\$ 261.50
Profits 2017	\$ 11,452.98
On Going Profits since 2006	
	\$270,212.95



Eucharistic Adoration—Monday 9.30am—Tuesday, 8.45am.



“If we truly understand the Eucharist; if we make the Eucharist the central focus of our lives; if we feed our lives with the Eucharist, we will not find it difficult to discover Christ, to love Him and to serve Him in the poor.”

(Mother Teresa of Calcutta—her Religious make a daily holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament before going out on the streets of Calcutta)

Monday, September 25, 2017

8:35am - Rosary before 9am Mass

† Steve Walach by Anita & Steve Walach & Family

† Betty Burns by Donna Gibb

† Jo-Ann Campbell by Donna Gibb

1:30-3:30pm Parish Nurse is available at the Parish Center

7pm Youth Group Leaders Meeting—Fr. Ware Room

7pm Bible Study—Fr. Martin Room

9:30am - 24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration- Assembly room

Tuesday, September 26, 2017

St. John de Brebeuf & St. Isaac Jogues & Companions

8:35am - Rosary before 9am Mass

† Henry Grondin Family by Ralph Grondin

† Jerome Deslippe by Bev & Gerard Bondy

† Guido Danese by Carmela Danese & Family

Living Virgie Oriet & Family by Ralph Grondin

7pm Altaration Video Series—Fr. Martin Room

Wednesday, September 27, 2017

St. Vincent de Paul

8:35am Rosary before 9am Mass

† Anna DiGiovanni by Cesare Faccenda

† Augustus Vandensteene by Marie Anne & Joe Vandensteene

† Mary Ann Jane by JoAnne & Lloyd Jenereaux

9am Stella Maris School Mass at School

9:30 Book Study—Fr. Ware Room

6:30pm Alpha—K of C Hall—Amherstburg

1pm—Legionari Della Sacra Famiglia: Frank & Lisa Butera

Thursday, September 28, 2017

8:35am Rosary before 9am Mass

† Giovanni D’Amore by Lucia & Giovanni Conte

† Virginia Hoffen by Barb & Mike Souliere

† Pat Higgins by Mary Jane Murphy

6pm Wedding Rehearsal

7pm Mass

† Jerome Deslippe by Mary Kay & Ron Amlin

† Louis St. Louis by Dianne Fox & Family

† Yolanda Teseo (Italy) by the Simone Family

† Domenico Rulli (Italy) by the Simone Family

7:30pm Bible Study Fr. Ware room

7pm Called & Gifted workshop—Fr. Martin Room

7pm Rosary Cenacle - Please call for location 519 713 9586

Friday, September 29, 2017

St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St Raphael

8:35am Rosary before 9am Mass

† Pat Higgins by Laura & Frank Vitella

† Fr. Patrick Fuerth by Jean Garinger

† Yolanda Giezen by Mien & Bill Reurink

1pm Centering Prayer—Fr. Martin Room

2pm Adoration Meeting—Fr. Ware Room

3pm Divine Mercy Hour

Saturday, September 30, 2017

St. Jerome

8:35am Rosary before 9am Mass

† Malcolm “Mac” Bastien by Sue & Roger French & Family

† Mary Ann Jane by Laura & Frank Vitella

† Louis St. Louis by Karen & Keith McGuire

1pm Wedding Samantha Kellam and Christopher Jaber

4-4:45pm—Reconciliation

5pm—Mass

Sunday, October 1, 2017

8am Mass

10am Mass

11am St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting—Fr. Ware Room

International Life Chain

What is Life Chain?

It's a "prayer chain" and public witness
AGAINST ABORTION.

Come, let us seek God's divine
intervention for the healing of our community and nation.
Sunday, October 1st, 2017 2:30pm—3:30pm at the Corner of
Sandwich Street and Pickering Drive.



"Are you still thinking about attending Alpha? It's not too late to join us. Please contact the rectory office at 519-736-5418 or Kim Bornais at 519-816-8154, to secure your spot. Don't let this wonderful opportunity pass by! Alpha is running every Wednesday from 6:30-8:30, at the KC Hall, until November 22. Join us for a delicious dinner, engaging video, and open discussion in a nonjudgmental, loving environment."

"Would you like to know how God has called and equipped you for your part in the fulfillment of his mission in the world? Through the power of the Holy Spirit given to you in Baptism and Confirmation you have very particular gifts and charisms given to you for the benefit of others. If you would like to discern your particular spiritual gifts and charisms with a group of fellow disciples on the same quest, then please do join in the "Called and Gifted: Spiritual Gifts and Charisms Discernment" program that will run Thursday evenings, in the Fr. Martin Room from 6:30-9:00pm. Part I of the program runs from Thurs., Sept. 28th to Thurs., Oct. 26th. After a two week break, Part II will run from Thurs., Nov. 16th to Thurs., Dec. 14th. There is no obligation to continue with Part II upon completion of Part I, however Part I must be completed in order to go on to Part II. Registration is required so that the proper number of resources may be ordered. To register, or inquire contact Karen in the rectory office. Please pray for all participating, that the Holy Spirit will guide them during this discernment process and lead them in the use of their particular gifts."

St John the Baptist Parish is actively seeking a Choir Director for the 10am Sunday Mass.

Duties & Responsibilities:

- To provide vocal direction for the 10am Sunday Choir.
- To be available for special liturgy celebrations at Christmas and Holy Week.
- To direct and organize weekly choir practice.
- To plan and select the music for Masses/Celebrations.

Qualifications:

- Some experience in directing four part harmony.
- General knowledge of Catholic Liturgy and Sacred Music.
- Enjoys working with people.

Candidates will be interviewed by the selection committee and also be required to demonstrate abilities with the Choir. Salary to be negotiated.

Please submit resumes to the Selection Committee-St John the Baptist Church, 225 Brock Street, Amherstburg, ON N9V 2H3 or email stjohnb@dol.ca Attention Selection Committee.

Closing Date for Submission will be October 1, 2017 at 4pm

Health is a gift to treasure.

Pack healthy lunches.



1. On the weekend, plan lunches for the week ahead with the kids. Try to include three of the four food groups in every lunch.
2. Stock up on healthy grab and go foods like fruit, vegetables, whole grain pita pockets, yogurt, and hard-boiled eggs.
3. Use dinner leftovers to make quick and easy lunches the following day.
4. Prep as much of the lunch as you can the night before. Spend a few extra minutes when preparing dinner to cut up extra veggies and fruit for tomorrow's lunch.
5. Get the kids involved. Let them plan the menu, write the grocery list, shop for food, and make the lunches -- with your help of course! Kids who help make and pack their lunch are more likely to eat it too.

Stock up on easy-to-grab snacks that can be put together quickly. * ready-to-eat veggies like carrots and cucumbers * fruit like apples, bananas, or oranges * fruit cups (fruit cups packed in juice, applesauce, etc) * single servings of lower-fat milk or 100% fruit juice * lower-fat yogurt * small packets of dried fruit like raisins or cranberries * whole grain crackers or mini-pitas * hard-boiled eggs (they keep for one week in the fridge with their shells on)

Give young people the tips they need to choose a healthy lunch for themselves.

Make your order healthier. * order a smaller portion or share your meal with friends. * order foods that are lower in calories, fat, sugar, and sodium (for example, choose salad instead of fries, or grilled meat and fish over fried chicken fingers and fish sticks) * Ask for gravy, sauces, and salad dressing 'on the side,' and use only a small amount *ask for extra veggies on the side.

We need to keep our foods safe to eat.

* Use insulated food containers to keep hot foods hot and cold foods cold. ** For hot foods, fill your insulated container with boiling water and let it sit for a few minutes. Heat hot foods until piping hot. Pour out the hot water in the container and fill it with the heated food. ** For cold foods, use mini ice packs or pack a juice box that has been frozen overnight. The juice should defrost by lunch, just in time to drink.

* Wash fruit and vegetables before packing.

* Keep lunches in the fridge until you're ready to leave for school.

* Throw out any perishable foods that come home. They are not safe to eat.

* Wipe lunch bags daily with hot, soapy water.

All young adults are invited to **Theology on Tap** on Tuesday, October 2nd at 7:00! This month's topic is: *Vatican Talk: What's a Synod and What does it have to do with me?* With Claire Bondy from the Diocese of London

This one will have a brief talk and a discussion answering questions Pope Francis is asking of young people. It takes place at Jose's on Howard Ave. There will be free appetizers and many new faces. Visit theoontap.weebly.com for more information or contact

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