



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

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St. John the Baptist Parish is a warm and inviting family, living out our Baptismal call and nourished by the Eucharist, serving the needs of all with joy and gratitude, practicing stewardship, celebrating the sacraments and witnessing God in others.

Office Hours:

Monday - Friday

9 a.m. - 12 p.m. & 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Liturgy: 7 p.m.

Sunday Liturgy: 10 a.m.

Weekday Liturgy: Please check a current bulletin

Reconciliation: Tuesdays 6-6:45p.m.

Thursdays & Fridays 8 - 8:45a.m.

or by appointment

Sacrament of Anointing: Contact the pastor

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Upcoming Events at St. John the Baptist Parish

Saturday, June 22	9am Liturgy Workshop held in the Parish Hall
<i>St. Paulinus of Nola</i>	5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass
<i>St. John Fisher</i>	7pm Holy Mass
<i>St. Thomas More</i>	8pm Coffee after Mass and Ministry Fair
Sunday, June 23	8am (Bienfait) Holy Mass
	10am Holy Mass
Monday, June 24	7pm Holy Mass
<i>Nativity of St. John the Baptist</i>	
Tuesday, June 25	7pm St. Mary's Grade 8 Farewell Mass
Wednesday, June 26	11am (Hospital) Holy Mass † Betty Daniels; Ginny LaBelle
Thursday, June 27	9am Holy Mass † Antoinette Styre; Gerald & Joyce
<i>Blessed Nykyta Budka</i>	9:30am Coffee After Mass
<i>Blessed Vasyl Velychkowsky</i>	7pm SJB Choir Practice
Friday, June 28	9am Holy Mass † Murray Hanson; Gerald & Joyce
<i>Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</i>	10am Holy Mass (Nursing Home) † Gerry Keen; Myles & Lil Goudy
	7pm (Torquay) Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Holy Mass
Saturday, June 29	5pm (Torquay) Holy Mass
<i>St. Peter & St. Paul</i>	7pm Holy Mass
Sunday, June 30	8am (Bienfait) Holy Mass
<i>First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church</i>	10am Holy Mass

Parish Patron Feast

We will be celebrating the Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, on Monday, June 24 at 7pm. Please join us!!



The birth of St. John the Baptist was one of the earliest feasts to be named to a particular day on the Church calendar. June 24 was chosen as it is six months before the birth of Christ. With its proximity to the summer solstice, it signifies the waning of the light, while the birth of Jesus near the winter solstice marks the coming of the light.

Best Wishes to Susan Mack

Susan Mack, our bookkeeper, is retiring after serving our parish for 29 years. We are grateful for all she has done for our parish and wish her well in her retirement. May God continue to bless her in everything she does.



We are happy to announce our newly appointed bookkeeper, Doris Trobert!



**The Parish Office Summer Hours will begin in July
and continue through August.
Monday to Friday 9am ~ 12pm.**

A HUGE THANK YOU

Thank you to Kim and Dana Skjonsby and Midcity Plumbing and Heating Inc. for the gracious donation of air conditioning in the Church. May God continue to bless you abundantly as you show your generosity to God's Church!!

Thank you as well to all the other donors who have generously supported the Church!! May God Greatly Bless You!!



Wedding Anniversary and Birthday Blessings

Do you have an anniversary or birthday coming up?

Would you like to receive a blessing during Holy Mass?

Please call the Parish Office with your information or fill out the pink card that is in the pews and place it in the collection basket.

We look forward to celebrating your special days with you!!!

-Hospitality and Fellowship Committee

Readings for June 29 & 30, 2019

First Reading: 1 Kings 19.6b,19-21

Second Reading: Galatians 5.1,13-18

Gospel Reading: Luke 9.51-62



Congratulations

Clayton and Kara Stenhouse are celebrating 15 years of marriage.

Anton and Annette Cossette are celebrating 50 years of marriage.



Happy Birthday to Jay Vanstone

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WHO ARE GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL AND POST-SECONDARY INSTITUTIONS

Heavenly Father,

Surround those who are graduating with your grace.

Bless them with hope so they move into the future with eager and open hearts.

Help them to put the knowledge, skills, and insights gained through their education to use for the good of all humankind.

Inspire them to believe in the goodness of life even when faced with challenges and difficulties.

As they commence with their lives, may they grow ever more grateful and wise.

All of this we ask in the name of Jesus, your beloved Son.

Amen.



Summer Holy Mass Schedule



For the months of July and August there will be no Tuesday evening Holy Mass and no Holy Mass in the Church on the second and fourth Friday of the month.



"On the feast of Corpus Christi" by St Thomas Aquinas

O precious and wonderful banquet!

Since it was the will of God's only begotten Son that men should share in his divinity, he assumed our nature in order that by becoming man he might make men gods. Moreover, when he took our flesh, he dedicated the whole of its substance to our salvation. He offered his body to God the Father on the altar of the cross as a sacrifice for our reconciliation. He shed his blood for our ransom and purification, so that we might be redeemed from our wretched state of bondage and cleansed from all sin. But to ensure that the memory of so great a gift would abide with us for ever, he left his body as food and his blood as drink for the faithful to consume in the form of bread and wine.

O precious and wonderful banquet, that brings us salvation and contains all sweetness! Could anything be of more intrinsic value? Under the old law it was the flesh of calves and goats that was offered, but here Christ himself, the true God, is set before us as our food. What could be more wonderful than this? No other sacrament has greater healing power; through it sins are purged away, virtues are increased, and the soul is enriched with an abundance of every spiritual gift. It is offered in the Church for the living and the dead, so that what was instituted for the salvation of all may be for the benefit of all. Yet, in the end, no one can fully express the sweetness of this sacrament, in which spiritual delight is tasted at its very source, and in which we renew the memory of that surpassing love for us which Christ revealed in his passion.

It was to impress the vastness of this love more firmly upon the hearts of the faithful that our Lord instituted this sacrament at the Last Supper. As he was on the point of leaving the world to go to the Father, after celebrating the Passover with his disciples, he left it as a perpetual memorial of his passion. It was the fulfilment of ancient figures and the greatest of all his miracles, while for those who were to experience the sorrow of his departure, it was destined to be a unique and abiding consolation.

The Second Vatican Council rightly proclaimed that the Eucharistic sacrifice is "the source and summit of the Christian life". "For the most holy Eucharist contains the Church's entire spiritual wealth: Christ himself, our Passover and living bread. Through his own flesh, now made living and life-giving by the Holy Spirit, he offers life to us". "No Christian community can be built up unless it has its basis and centre in the celebration of the most Holy Eucharist".

The Church draws her life from the Eucharist. This truth does not simply express a daily experience of faith but recapitulates *the heart of the mystery of the Church*. In a variety of ways we joyfully experience the constant fulfillment of the promise: "Lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age" (Mt 28:20), but in the Holy Eucharist, through the changing of bread and wine into the body and blood of the Lord, she rejoices in this presence with unique intensity.

May purity of conscience remove the veil from the face of your soul so that by contemplating the glory of the Lord, as in a mirror, you may be transformed from glory to glory in Christ Jesus our Lord. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen