

# Saint John Bosco Parish

*"For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?"*

*Matthew 16:26*

## WELCOME to St. John Bosco Parish!

We are happy to have you with us and would like to extend a warm welcome to all of our visitors today. If you are staying with us, please consider filling out a registration form found in the church atrium and submit it to our church office. Want to become actively involved in this wonderful parish? View our website or contact our church office to find out more information about the various programs and ministries we have in our parish. **We encourage your active participation!**

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**MASS : Saturday at 5:15pm and Sunday at 9:30am  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday at 9:00am**

Baptism: By appointment with the parish priest

First Communion, Confirmation, Communion for the infirmed, and the Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the parish office.

Marriage: Contact the parish priest at least six (6) months before the proposed date of marriage.

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Ange-Gabriel (JK-12)  
613-345-5914
- St. Mary Catholic High  
School (7-12)  
613-342-4911

### Grocery Certificates

Available at the Parish Office during the week.

### Mission Statement

St. John Bosco Parish is a faith community united to the Body of Christ by the common bond of Baptism and rooted in the Roman Catholic tradition. We gather for celebrating the Eucharist and all other Sacraments, fellowship, and our gifts. We proclaim the Gospel in ministry and in community.



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### Office Hours

Monday- Friday: 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

## TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

**SCRIPTURE MESSAGE:** Today's Gospel passage reminds us that Christian discipleship demands self-control ("*Deny yourself*"), the willingness to suffer ("*take up your cross*"), the readiness to follow Jesus by obeying his commandment of love, and generosity in surrendering our lives to God ("*to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice to God*" (Rom 12:1). Today's readings explain how we should practice true, dynamic Christian discipleship. Jeremiah, in the **first reading**, is certainly a prototype of the suffering Christ. In the **Responsorial Psalm** (Ps 63), the Psalmist manifests his profound trust in God, just as Jeremiah himself does. In the **second reading**, Paul advises the Romans and us (Rom 12:1-2): to "*offer our bodies as a living sacrifice*" to God by explicitly rejecting the ungodly behavior of the world around us and by discerning and doing the will of God. In today's **Gospel**, Jesus takes his disciples by surprise when, after Peter's great confession of Faith, Jesus announces that he "*must go to Jerusalem and suffer greatly from the elders, the chief priests and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised.*" After correcting Peter's protest, Jesus announces the three conditions of Christian discipleship: "*Deny yourself, take up your cross and follow me.*" **Life messages:** : **We need to be "extremophiles" for Christ:** True disciples of Christ are: a) *truly compassionate:* they are willing to visit and help the infected and the sick in hospitals, the incontinent elderly, the handicapped, and those who suffer dementia in nursing homes, and AIDS patients in hospices; b) *truly humble:* they are able to see that every good gift comes from God alone, and that His gifts to us of time, personal talents, and resources should inspire gratitude, not pride; c) *truly patient:* they are committed to working with challenging children, adolescents with problems, young adults who are struggling with their Faith, with the intellectually challenged and with those suffering dementia; d) *truly forgiving:* they are willing to forgive not just once, or twice, but again and again, because they know that God has forgiven them again and again; e) *truly loving:* they willingly visit people in prisons, in retirement homes, and in homeless shelters; and f) *truly faithful:* they are living out a committed, trusting relationship with God, with spouse, with family and friends. **We need to ask these questions as we examine our conscience.** A true disciple examines his or her conscience every day, asking three questions about discipleship: a) Did I sacrifice a part of my time, talents, and income for my parish and the missionary activities of the Church? b) Did I practice self-control over my thoughts, words, deeds, and use of mass media, and put loving restriction on the cell phone and Internet activities of my children? c) Did I train my children in my Faith in a loving, providing, redeeming God by encouraging them, as we spend some time together as a family, praying and reading the Bible, and by teaching them through example and word to pardon each other, to ask for God's pardon for our own sins and failures, to thank God for His blessings, and to participate in the Sunday school classes and youth programs?

**POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER:** We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

**PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:** Please pray for: Valerie Cooper, Mary Lambert, Norma Savage, Heidi Reid, Gerald Moriarty, Leone McIntyre, Justin Lefave, Ann Ruigrok, Daniel Bellemore, Laurie Lirette, Ursula Thompson, Betty DeKleine, Donna Brewer, Paul Cosgrove, Nellie Kester, Nila Suan, Lucille Paolini, Peter Vander Linden, Cecile Hall, Joseph O'Grady, Pierre Touchette and Father Liam Tallon.

<b>MASS SCHEDULE</b> September 2 – September 10, 2023		
Saturday, September 2	5:15 p.m.	Ralph O'Brien
Sunday, September 3	9:30 a.m.	Our Parishioners
Tuesday, September 5	6:30 p.m.	Rosalie and Stephen Roughton
Wednesday, September 6	9:00 a.m.	Huguette and Fernand Cyr and Mary Townshend
	9:30 a.m.	ADORATION
Thursday, September 7	9:00 a.m.	Unannounced Mass
Friday, September 8	9:00 a.m.	Those with mental health issues and addictions
Saturday, September 9	5:15 p.m.	Ralph Beriau
Sunday, September 10	9:30 a.m.	Our Parishioners
<b>The Sanctuary Candle burns this week for:</b> <b>The week of September 3:</b> <b>Ralph Beriau</b>		

**PARISH CLOSED:** Please note that the Parish will be closed this **Monday September 4, 2023** for the Labour Day holiday.

**GROCERY CARDS:** Please buy and use grocery cards. They can be purchased from the office during the week and after Sunday Mass.

**NEW FACES:** We have been noticing some new faces in our parish recently. If you are new to the church and would like to register with the parish, WELCOME and please introduce yourself to Father Jacob and pick up a registration form in the atrium. Also, if you would like a box of collection envelopes or if you wish to sign up for our pre-authorized debit program, please contact the parish office.

***"If you want to become my followers, let them deny themselves." Matthew 16.21***

## SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

MASS TIMES	USHERS	LECTOR	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER	WELCOME DESK
Saturday, September 2 5:15 p.m.	Karen Frech	Al Cyr	Carol Ravnaas	Carol Ravnaas
Sunday, September 3 9:30 a.m.	Peter Verhoeven	Johanne Cardinal & Emily Heffernan	Marg Bougie	Dayna & Shelby Golledge
Saturday, September 9 5:15 p.m.	Karen Frech	Al Cyr	Carol Ravnaas	Carol Ravnaas
Sunday, September 10 9:30 a.m.	Lloyd Clayton	Mike Kozey	Marg Bougie	Noreen Shepherd

### **FINANCIAL UPDATE:**

**Operating Weekly Target: \$3500**

August 20, 2023: \$1962

August 27, 2023: \$3144

*Thank you to all for your generous ongoing donations.*

**SSVP COLLECTION:** Society of St. Vincent de Paul will have their monthly collection this weekend (September 2/3).

**EVENING MASS:** Beginning this **Tuesday September 5<sup>th</sup>**, Tuesday Mass will be in the evening at 6:30 p.m. Before the pandemic this was the usual schedule, it allows for those who cannot attend during the day and the different committees to begin their meetings with Mass.

**SHUT INS:** The ministry team that visits people who are unable to make it to Mass, will be resuming visits. If you or someone you know would like to receive Holy Communion at their home because they are unable to attend Mass, please contact the office for more information.

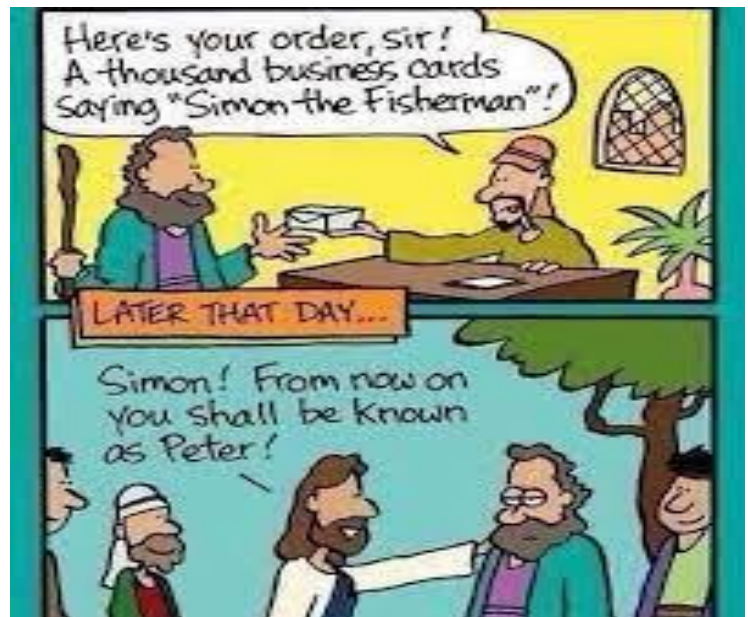
**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** Our local Knights of Columbus council will be re-starting their in-person monthly meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays of each month at St. John Bosco Parish hall in Brockville. Our first meeting of the new fraternal year will be on **September 12, at 6:30 pm with Mass and the meeting to follow at 7pm.** We will have some exciting new activities and opportunities to discuss, and all members are encouraged to come out and participate.

**CWL:** The CWL will hold their first meeting on **Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 6:30 pm with Mass and the meeting to follow at 7 p.m. at St. John Bosco Parish Hall. We would also invite ladies of the parish to join us! We anticipate enthusiastic fund raising for our list of local charities. Bring your ideas. Meet Catholic ladies who are enjoy friendship and laughter as we are called to service to the people of God. We look forward to seeing you!**

**JUNIOR LITURGY:** We will resume Junior Liturgy at Sunday 9:30 am Mass beginning the weekend of **September 10, 2023.** All kids from JK to Grade 4 are welcome to attend.

**SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK-ST.FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH:** On **Wednesday September 13 at the 12:10pm Mass,** the Sacrament of The Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated communally in our parish for senior citizens, those who are ill, and anyone who feels they are in need of the special graces of this sacrament. There will be Holy Hour as usual beginning at 11:00am. A light lunch will be served following the Mass. Anyone in need of a ride is asked to call Jean Osborne, 613-348-3936.

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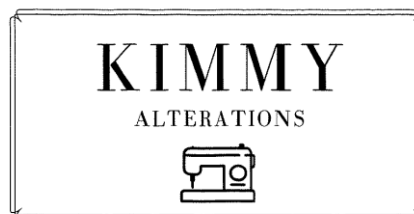
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