

Saint John Bosco Parish



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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Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:15 p.m. Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

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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Grocery Certificates

Available before and after weekend Masses and 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



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Office Hours

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

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

SCRIPTURE MESSAGE: The readings bring the usual warnings about preparation for the end of our own world, the end of our own time and our passage to another world. They tell us that a searching, watching and evolving heart is essential for a lively, dynamic Faith in God. They ask us whether we are ready for these events and how we are preparing for them. **The meaning of the parable:** has both a local and a universal meaning. The local meaning is that the foolish virgins represent the “Chosen People of God” who were waiting for the Messiah, but were shut out from the messianic banquet because they were unprepared. “The division between the wise and the foolish virgins becomes the division between those in Matthew’s church who keep the commandments of Christ, the new lawgiver of the church, and those who hear his words but fail to do what he commands.” The universal meaning is that the five foolish virgins represent those who fail to prepare for the end of their lives. What matters is not the occasional or the last-minute burst of spiritual fervor but habitual attention to responsibilities before God. At the final judgment, there will be no depending upon the resources of others, no begging or borrowing of grace. The parable implies that we should attend to duties of the present moment, preparing now rather than waiting until it is too late. Life messages: 1) We need to be wise enough to remain ever prepared: Wise Christians find Jesus in the most ordinary experiences of daily living -- in the people they meet, the events that take place, and the situations in which they find themselves, and they carefully make their daily choices for God. 2) Let us be sure that our Lamps are ready for the end of our lives: Spiritual readiness, preparation and growth are the result of intentional habits built into one’s life.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL: Please pray for: Fr. Martin, Hilda Armstrong, Gerard Parker, Valerie Cooper, Mary Lambert, Denis & Norma Savage, Heidi Reid, Gerald Moriarty, Leone McIntyre, Justin Lefave, Ann Ruigrok, Maurice & Madeleine Belec, Margaret Smith, Brian Brougham, Laurie Lirette, Shelley McLaren, Ursula Thompson, Ellen Hart, Brian Fraser, Ros Crooks, Sean O’Connell, Mary Ellen Major and Kerry & Steve Walsh.

LET US PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED FREQUENTLY BUT ESPECIALLY IN NOVEMBER: Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR – November 15, 2020: In 2017, Pope Francis instituted the World Day of the Poor so that “throughout the world Christian Communities can become an ever greater sign of Christ’s charity for the least and those most in need.”

MASS SCHEDULE		
November 7-November 15, 2020		
Saturday, November 7	5:15 p.m.	Deceased members of the Ravnaas & Cyr Families
Sunday, November 8	9:30 a.m.	Thomas Armstrong
Tuesday, November 10	9:30 a.m.	Int. of Bob Harper
Wednesday, November 11 REMEMBRANCE DAY	9:30 a.m.	Msgr Thomas Raby
Thursday, November 12	9:30 a.m.	Unannounced Mass
Friday, November 13	9:30 a.m.	Unannounced Mass
Saturday, November 14	5:15 p.m.	Jean Noel
Sunday, November 15	9:30 a.m.	Our Parishioners
<i>Sanctuary Candle the week of November 8: Intentions of the McCaffrey Family</i>		

HOLY HOUR: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration will be held every **First Friday of the Month at 8:30am to 9:30am.** The next one will be Friday December 4, 2020 at 8:30am.

FINANCIAL UPDATE: Weekly target \$ 3500.00
 October 25, 2020 actual offering: \$ 3030.84
 November 1, 2020 actual offering: \$ 2892.75
 All Souls Day: \$623.00

PRIESTS RETIREMENT FUND – NOVEMBER 7 & 8: Please give generously to the Archdiocesan program which provides elderly and infirm priests with the pension and health benefits they have earned after many years of service.

CWL & KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: There will be a Mass for deceased members of CWL and Knights of Columbus on **Wednesday November 25, 2020 at 9:30am.**

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY: Prayerful best wishes to all who are celebrating wedding anniversaries in November:

Bill and Jeannine Watters 67 years November 21

“Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out and meet him.” Matthew 25.1-13

November 8, 2020

MASS TIMES	USHERS	LECTOR	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER	WELCOME DESK	WASHROOMS
Saturday, November 8 5:15 p.m.	Michel LaBonte and Al Cyr	Joanne Story	Carol Ravnaas	Carol Ravnaas	Josie Bracamonte
Sunday, November 9 9:30 a.m.	Lloyd Clayton and John McGeough	Theresa Iddon	Marguerite Whiteland	Noreen Shepherd	Liam Heffernan

MASS TIMES	USHERS	LECTOR	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER	WELCOME DESK	WASHROOMS
Saturday, November 14 5:15 p.m.	Michel LaBonte and Scott MacDermott	Sylvia Shackles	Melinda Condon	Carol Ravnaas	Karen and Kevin Frech
Sunday, November 15 9:30 a.m.	Art Psiuk and John McGeough	Johanne Cardinal	Karen Whalen	Paulette Psiuk	Liam Heffernan

REMEMBRANCE DAY NOVEMBER 11: Canadians pause today in silence to remember those who died in war and to pray for the victims of aggression and inhumanity throughout the world. This is a day to pray for peace, to consider what we are doing as individuals, as a community and as a nation to bring God's peace into the world. This is a day when a believing community should rededicate itself by prayer and action to the ideals Jesus gives us in the Beatitudes.

RCIA: On **Wednesday November 4th**, Sarah Ryan, Benjamin Ryan, Robert Major and Leah Leahy were welcomed into Full Communion to the Catholic Church. Congratulations and welcome to our candidates. Thank you to our RCIA team that assisted along the way.

CONFIRMATION: We received permission to reschedule Confirmation for the candidates who were to be Confirmed in Spring of 2020. Confirmation will be on **Sunday January 17, 2021 at 2pm**. If your child was enrolled in the spring and you wish to continue with this Sacrament please let the office know by email sjbparish@bellnet.ca. If your child is in grade two and grade six this year, we will be doing a new group in the New Year and will let you know when we have dates set. Thank you for your patience.

CHRISTMAS CARDS: Knights of Columbus are selling Christmas cards at St. John Bosco Parish this weekend of **November 7, 2020**. They will also offer delivery service to those who are shut in by calling Stewart Glashan 613-342-3855 or James MacKenzie 613-349-7512. All boxes are \$15.00

SCREENING COMMITTEE: Just a reminder from the Screening Committee to please return your Offence Declarations to the Parish office as soon as possible. If you need a paper copy, please stop by the office, we have many available and it only takes a minute to fill out.

CHRISTMAS RESERVATIONS: Due to current restrictions, we have made the decisions to ask people to reserve your spot for Christmas Mass. There will be **Mass at 5pm and 7:30pm on December 24th. On December 25th, Mass will be at 9:30am**. This will allow us to make sure no one will be turned away. Please call Jill at the Parish office 613-342-5095 or email sjbparish@bellnet.ca. If you are able to volunteer in any capacity please let us know as well.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS ASSISTANCE: Due to the CoVid-19 situation in Brockville, the St Francis Conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul has had to make changes to our Christmas Assistance program. We are unable to provide either gifts or food items to the needy. However, all is not lost and we have decided to provide Walmart gift cards to those families who are in need of Christmas assistance. We are budgeting \$70.00 per adult and \$35.00 per child to a maximum of \$250 per family. Any and all financial assistance from our parishioners, either cash, cheque, or Walmart gift cards would be greatly appreciated.

JOKE OF THE WEEK: A tour group was riding in an elevator to the top of the Empire State Building. At about the 102nd floor, a woman asked the tour guide, "If the cables on this elevator break, do we go up or down?" The tour guide answered, "Well, that depends on how you are living."

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