

THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST
"His name is John"

Today's reading: Isaiah 49.1-6; Acts 13.22-26; Luke 1.57-66,80

Next week reading: Wisdom 1.13-15; 2.23-24; 2 Corinthians 8.7, 9, 13-15; Mark 5.21-43

This Week

Saturday, June 23 NATIVITY OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

5:00 p.m. Mass for Royal McSorley † req. by Loretta
 Diferedico

Sunday, June 24 NATIVITY OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

9:00 a.m. Mass
 Baptism – Eve Elliott Angus
 11:00 a.m. Mass for Francis Harold Cardo † req. by Viola
 Halstead

Monday, June 25

9:00 a.m. Mass
 8:00 p.m. AA-Westboro

Tuesday, June 26

9:00 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, June 27

9:00 a.m. Mass
 1:00 p.m. Retirees
 7:00 p.m. K of C Round Table

Thursday, June 28

9:00 a.m. Mass

Friday, June 29

9:00 a.m. Mass

Saturday, June 30 13TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, July 1 13TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

10:00 a.m. Mass for Jack Churchill † req. by his family



**IN YOUR GENEROSITY, PLEASE CONSIDER A
 DONATION OR BEQUEST TO ST. BASIL PARISH**

From the desk of Fr. James

"Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist"

The greatness of John the Baptist is seen in the great emphasis given to the announcement of his birth and the event itself; both made prominently parallel to the same occurrences in the life of Jesus. Except for Mary, no one had a higher function in the unfolding of salvation. Yet, the least in the kingdom, Jesus said, is greater than John the Baptist, for the gift of salvation that God gives. John challenges us Christians to the fundamental attitude of Christianity: total dependence on God, in Christ. The attractiveness as well as the austerity of John, his fierce courage in denouncing evil, all stem from his fundamental placement of his life within the will of God. And this is not something, which was only true long ago in the past. It is always true, because the repentance, which he preached, always remains the way into the Kingdom which he announced. **John is always relevant because he calls for a preparation and a repentance, which all of us need to make on a daily basis!**

God Bless,
 Fr. James Raphael

Parish News

!!! CHANGE IN SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE !!!

Please note that beginning the first weekend of July to the last weekend of August, there will be only two masses celebrated. (Saturday at 5 p.m. and Sunday at 10 a.m.) The Monday 9 a.m. Masses remain cancelled during the MONTH OF JULY.

OFFICE CLOSURE

Please note that the Parish office remains closed on Thursday June 28th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Office will be open from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

SUMMER BULLETIN

PLEASE NOTE: We will be publishing ONLY ONE BULLETIN for July (July 1st) and two bulletins for August (August 5th and 26th). Our regular weekly bulletin will resume on September 2nd.

SUMMER IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER – PLEASE DON'T FORGET US!

Summer will soon be here. The sunny weather has finally started!! The time for holidays, cottaging and travels will soon be here. The finance council wishes all parishioners a happy, safe and healthy summer season. It also wants to remind everyone to please not forget about St. Basil's during the summer months. Your continued Sunday donations during the summer months are required to maintain ongoing operations of the church. Just like running your own homes, fixed costs continue over the summer months. We need your continued support to maintain our place of worship and not be operating in a deficit position at year end.

There are various options available to make it easier to donate: **PAD** – pre authorized deposits; donate online with Canada Helps website which is on the St Basil's website; generic donation envelopes that are located at the back of the church; or post-dated cheques for the summer months. You could also place your envelopes from summer Sundays in the collection basket at any time, or make one larger donation and assign part of it to specific summer Sundays by marking it on the envelope.

Your continued generosity and support is very much appreciated. Have a happy, healthy and safe summer season.

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Pastoral Council decided at their meeting in May that their focus and theme for next year will be the children of our Parish. We encourage and challenge all Ministries to find a way to make children a priority in their ministry plans for next year - spiritually, actively or in a teaching capacity. Let's strive to make St Basil's the "GO TO" church for families.

PARISH EMAIL LIST

A member of the Communications Team will be in the narthex after all masses to take email addresses of those who would like to be on the list and have not already registered. You can also register by email at stbasilscomms@gmail.com.

"Whatsoever you do..."

We are stewards, not masters of our earth. Each of us has a personal responsibility to care for the precious gift of God's creation. (Pope Francis)

Have a great summer in God's creation!

From the Diocese and Community

NIGHT OF WORSHIP AND MINISTRY

Speaker: Fr. Sean Wenger, CC. Theme: The Promise of Abundant Life in Christ. Worship Team: Cameron Turner. Prayer Teams will be available. Reception will follow. St. Mary's, 100 Young St. (at Bayswater), Fri., **June 22, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.** Info: night.worship.ministry@stmarysottawa.ca.

PRO-LIFE

CORRECTION Monthly Pro-life Mass: To pray for the establishment of a Pro-life Centre in Ottawa. Everyone welcome. Holy Redeemer Parish, 44 Rothesay Dr., Kanata, **Sat., Jun. 30, 10:00 a.m.**; Our Lady of Fatima Parish, 153 Woodroffe Ave., **Sat., Jul. 28, 9:00 a.m.**;

St. Patrick Parish, Fallowfield, 15 Steeple Hill Cres., **Sat., Aug. 18, 10:00 a.m.** Info: wandawoj@rogers.com; 613831-2515

BIBLE STUDY

"The Bible Timeline" with Jeff Cavins: Sisterhood & St. John the Apostle Church invite all men & women to register for an in-depth Bible Study starting this fall. 24 week study (split in 2 parts) includes facilitated DVD Lectures, Student Workbooks. Cost: \$50. St. John the Apostle Church, 2340 Baseline Rd., **Thursdays, Sept. 13-Nov. 29/18 & Jan. 10-Apr. 4/19, 7-9 p.m.** Info and registration: livesisterhood@gmail.com, www.sisterhood.live, 613-806-0377.

A SOLEMN MASS IN HONOUR OF

SAINT JOSEMARÍA ESCRIVÁ, FOUNDER OF OPUS DEI

Principal celebrant: the Most Reverend Terrence Prendergast, SJ Archbishop of Ottawa. **Monday, Jun. 25 at 7:30 p.m.** in Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica of Ottawa, 385 Sussex Dr. Everyone is welcome. Priests wishing to concelebrate should bring alb and stole. Confessions will be heard from 6:30 p.m. Info: Fr. Paul Cormier, 613-565-0762.

2018 WOJTYLA SUMMER INSTITUTE

Seat of Wisdom College invites all to the 8th annual Wojtyla Summer Teachers' Institute. Featuring speakers on "Saints: But Not the Plaster Ones". **August 9-12** in Barry's Bay. Although called a teachers' institute, anyone interested is welcome. Info & registration: seatofwisdom.ca/wojtyla.

CINEFORUM

AT ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH

On the last Friday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall a movie on the life of a Catholic saint will be shown. Accessed at 321 Cody Avenue, Vanier. Admission is free. The life of Saint Anthony of Padua will be featured on Friday, Jun. 29th. Info: (613)746-8503.

HEART OF WORSHIP ADORATION NIGHT

Worship Jesus in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Holy Redeemer Parish, 44 Rothesay Dr, Kanata, **Tues., June 26, 7pm.** Praise & worship music, silent adoration, a short talk by Fr. Rick Lorenz (Israel: The Fifth Gospel) and the opportunity for confession. Food and fellowship. Info: (613) 836-1764; reception@holyredeemer.ca.

80TH ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE

TO THE SHRINE OF ST. ANN, CORMAC

Guest Homilist: Father Denis Lemieux. Sun., **July 29.** For details: visit the website: The Annual Pilgrimage to the Shrine of St. Ann - Cormac Pilgrimage



*Anyone with two tunics
should share with him
who has none*

(John the Baptist)



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