

## MASS SCHEDULE - St. John

### Sat., Nov 18 Vigil Sunday Mass

4:00 PM + Terry Cavanagh  
from the Bancze Family.

### Sun., Nov 19 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 AM For all parishioners.

### Mon., Nov 20 Ferial Weekday

St J 8:00 AM +Reg & Mary Shaughnessy  
from the family.

### Tue., Nov 21 Presentation of the Blessed V. Mary

SH 8:00 AM +Frank Cardinal from Jeannie.

### Wed., Nov 22 St. Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr

St J 8:00 AM +Dorothy & Lorne Colling  
from the family.

### Thu., Nov 23 St. Clement I, Pope and Martyr

SH 7:00 PM +Clare Shaughnessy from nieces.

### Fri., Nov 24 St. Andrew DungLac, and companions, Martyrs

SH 8:00 AM +Gertrude & Albert Lynch  
from the grandchildren.

### Sat., Nov 25 Vigil Sunday Mass

4:00 PM

### Sun., Nov 26 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

10:30 AM

### Weekly Collection

November 12<sup>th</sup> \$ 1,214

## PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

During the Study Days, it was brought to my attention that among the fifty plus priest ministering in the Diocese less than 10 are vocations the Diocese of Peterborough. Others either come from other Canadian Dioceses who have transferred (*Incarinated*) into Peterborough or come from various religious orders outside of the country. We can say there is a need to continue to pray for vocations; something that the Lord has entrusted to all of us as members of the Church. As our Lord said to His disciples (and ultimately to us all), "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so, ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest." (*Matthew 9:37-38*).

We can ask ourselves, 'why does God ask us to pray for more workers into the vineyard, when He can easily call more workers Himself without the need of our prayers?' It is true, God could very well call more workers to His vineyard without our

petitions and prayers. But God wants us to pray for more priest so that we may show a sense of disposition and a desire that the Gospel be proclaimed throughout the world – participation in the Mission of the Church. Secondly, Jesus also wants us to be involved in the mission of the Church and in the mission of the priests we pray for.

The decision to follow the vocation to the priesthood or religious life is certainly not an easy choice – many people remain with this through for years before making any sort of decision. Therefore, when we pray for vocations (priest or religious) we pray that they may hear their vocation (the calling from God) and that they may answer to the calling generously and courageously. God places it into our hands to pray for more workers – not only for our own Diocese but also for the Universal Church.

*Prayer for Vocations: God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen*

Together in Prayer

## WEEKLY NEWS

### Next Turkey Dinner Meeting

On Wednesday, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10AM. If you could not attend the last meeting, we would still appreciate your help. If you cannot attend this meeting and would like to help, please email Father at FrAlexSalazar@peterboroughdiocese.org

### SAVE THE DATE: Advent Turkey Dinner at SH

On Sunday, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5PM at Sacred Heart Hall. Please join us for a nice meal, fun, community, raffle, and entertainment. Tickets will be sold after Saturday and Sunday Masses and at St. John the Baptist Office (300 Wilson Street) during office hours. \$18 for Adults and \$2 for Kids.

**Donations for Raffle** We are looking for prize donations to help raffle out at the Parish Turkey

Dinner. If you have something, you would like to donate please bring the prizes the day of the event (Dec. 3rd). Or you may drop them off at St. John the Baptist Office beforehand. (Ideas for prizes: tools, gift cards, baked goods, pictures, home decorations, etc.)

### SAVE THE DATE: Wish Tree Mass

On Saturday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>. This is a Mass for all the Faithful Departed presided by His Excellency, Bishop Daniel Miehm. Donation slips will be provided at the back of the Church.

### Spiritual Exercise according to St. Ignatius of

**Loyola** (both in English and Spanish)

February 23-26<sup>th</sup> 2024 for Men

March 1-4<sup>th</sup> 2024 for Women

Location: Fair Haven Conference Centre

B2215 Durham Regional Hwy 48,

Beaverton, ON LOK 1A0 Cost: \$300

To Fill out first inquiry please go to:

<https://forms.gle/Zf8TfqZ7KN7P32Hf9>

For questions or more Information please email Fr. Alex Salazar at alexsalazar@ive.org

### Sunday Missals 2023-2024

are available for purchase at the back of the church.

### FORMED Sign-up

1. Visit Website – [formed.org](https://formed.org), select "Sign Up".
2. For Parish Name type in "Saint John the Baptist 300 Wilson Street" both parishes (Sacred Heart & St. John are using the same account)
3. Then after selecting the Church, click on "Next".
4. Fill in your name & email to create an account. This will allow you to log in to the same account on multiple devices (like iPads, Phone, laptops or smart TVs)
5. Then Select "Sign Up"

### Diocesan Youth Day

Sunday, Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> at Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains at 10:30AM. Join several youth and young adults from across the Diocese as we gather at the 10:30AM Mass at the Cathedral. Bishop Daniel Miehm will recommission the Diocesan Youth Cross and afterwards our WYD pilgrims will present to the general public their testimony on their experiences at WYD Lisbon!

**Fundraiser for Peterborough Pregnancy Support Services** Join us, Friday Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>, for an evening of

entertainment in support of young mothers and their babies. Hunt the Hare and friends will be performing at St. Joseph's Douro Hall. Starting at 7PM, and all proceeds including financial donations, gift cards, and baby care items such as diapers, new clothing (newborn to three years) will be gladly accepted. For more information contact [lifehouseptbo@gmail.com](mailto:lifehouseptbo@gmail.com)

**Indigenous Reconciliation Fund** A diocesan-wide special collection will be taken Nov. 18/19 to support the work of truth and reconciliation. Funds will support local initiatives. Special collection envelopes are available. You may also donate online at <https://bit.ly/46k7GCL>

### Friday Adoration at Sacred Heart

Every Friday there is adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Sacred Heart in reparation for the offences made to the Sacred Heart of Jesus from 1:30 to 6:30PM and confessions from 5:00 to 6:30PM

### Catholic Missionary Children Oratory

For Children 7-12 years old. Saturdays 10:30 AM to noon at St. John the Baptist. For info or to register contact Sr. Inmaculada at [stjohnandsacredheart@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnandsacredheart@gmail.com)

### Altar Boy Group at Sacred Heart

1st & 3rd Fridays of the Month, 6:15 - 8:30 PM.

### Young Adult Group at Sacred Heart

on every 2nd, 4th and 5th Friday of the Month. Please join us at 6PM for 30 minutes of adoration followed by dinner in the basement hall, talk and games.

## GOSPEL Matthew 25.14-15, 19-21 (shorter)

(For the longer version, see the print edition of Living with Christ.)

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: "For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away.

"After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' "