

MASS SCHEDULE - St. John

Sat., Nov 25 Vigil Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

4:00 PM For all parishioners.

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

10:30 AM In thanksgiving for graces received from Maria Raposo.

Mon., Nov 27 Ferial Weekday

St J 8:00 AM

Tue., Nov 28 Ferial Weekday

SH 8:00 AM +Peter Martinez Nalentino from Minh Duc.

Wed., Nov 29 Ferial Weekday

St J 8:00 AM +Kay Artuso from Geraldine and Bill Simons.

Thu., Nov 30 St. Andrew, Apostle

SH 7:00 PM Joe and Tim Van Belois from Zita Lightfoot.

Fri., Dec 1 Ferial Weekday

SH 8:00 AM For Benard and Fran Ironside from the family.

Sat., Dec 2 Vigil First Sunday of Advent

4:00 PM + Paul Emery from Anne Emery.

Sun., Dec 3 First Sunday if Advent

10:30 AM For all parishioners.

Weekly Collection

Will be posted next week.

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

This Sunday – last Sunday of Ordinary Time – the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. Last year in the homily I mentioned that in Rome there is a Church called Santa Croce in Gerusalemme (Basilica of the Holy Cross in Jerusalem – *it is called 'in Jerusalem' but it is actually in Rome*); this Basilica is considered as one of the must-see pilgrim sites in Rome. In the Basilica there are many relics of the Passion of our Lord (pieces of the Holy Cross, Nails of the Crucifixion, two thorns from the crown of thorns, etc.) retrieved by Saint Helen, the mother of Constantine. Among the relics is the Titulus Crucis (the Title of the Cross) also referred to as the Inscription Plaque which was placed above Jesus' head as he hung upon the cross. The title was used to announce the reason of His condemnation, "Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews". This plaque as may

be seen in the photo was written in three languages: Latin, Hebrew and Greek. Of the three, the Hebrew inscription was unique as it read instead of "King of the Jews" it said "Jesus of Nazareth, your King"

For us to see and understand this plaque over 20 centuries later reflects a different truth. In that time, it was considered a mockery and a tease to what He called Himself, but for us it is a state of truth – Jesus is in fact our King. This is something I always like to reflect on every year as this feast day approaches. Jesus is truly our King: victory of death, enrobed in heavenly glory and head of the spiritual army which is the Church. Let each of us truly take Jesus Christ as our King.



Together in Prayer

WEEKLY NEWS

Poinsettia We will once again be collecting funds to purchase the poinsettias to decorate the altar for Christmas on the weekends at the entrance of the Church. A donation would be welcomed and appreciated.

SAVE THE DATE: Advent Turkey Dinner at SH

On Sunday, Dec. 3rd 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.)

Advent Confessions: Saint John the Baptist Church: Wednesday, Dec. 6th from 3:00-6:00PM with

Adoration. Sacred Heart Church: Friday, Dec. 15th from 1:30-6:30PM with Adoration.

Holy Mass of Immaculate Conception: On Friday, Dec. 8th we celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception at Sacred Heart Church. Friday Adoration will conclude at 4:45PM, Holy Mass will be at 5PM, followed by a light potluck for those who would like to join in the hall.

Sacred Heart Annual Memorial Wish Tree:

We will be holding the Annual Wish Tree Mass on December 16/23 @ 5p.m. This year there will be Christmas songs prior to the mass and a light reception following the Mass. Please see the insert for the details. If you have any questions please contact Ed Genge @ 705-292-6665 or genge@sympatico.ca

Spiritual Exercise according to St. Ignatius of

Loyola (both in English and Spanish)

February 23-26th 2024 for Men

March 1-4th 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

FORMED Sign-up

1. Visit Website – 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"

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.

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 25.31-46 of Sunday Nov 26

Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the Angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left.

"Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.'

"Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.'

"Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.'

"Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."