

MASS SCHEDULE - St. John

Sat., Mar 23 Vigil Palm Sunday

4:00 PM For Leo Gaboury and family.

Sun., Mar 24 Palm Sunday

of the Passion of the Lord

10:30 AM For all parishioners.

Mon., Mar 25 Holy Week

St J 8:00 AM For the health of Anne Sheridan.

Tue., Mar 26 Holy Week

SH 8:00 AM For the spiritual and corporal healing of Marc St-Jean.

Wed., Mar 27 Holy Week

St J 8:00 AM For the spiritual and corporal healing of Marc St-Jean.

Thu., Mar 28 Holy Thursday of the Lord's Supper

SH 7:00 PM For the spiritual and corporal healing of Marc St-Jean.

Fri., Mar 29 Friday of the Passion of the Lord

3:00PM at St. John the Baptist

Sat., Mar 30 Vigil The Resurrection

of the Lord – Easter Sunday

8:00PM at Sacred Heart Church

Sun., Mar 31 The Resurrection of the Lord –

Easter Sunday

10:30 AM For all Parishioners.

Weekly Collection

March 10 \$ 1,182 March 17 \$ 1,321

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends,

As we are drawing closer to Easter Sunday – as the Church calls it “the Solemnity of Solemnities” – we can also remember that there are many (Catechumens) who are preparing themselves to enter into the Catholic Church. Between Sacred Heart and Saint John the Baptist we are happy to have 6 who are entering into full communion with the Catholic Church. It is our responsibility as current members of the Catholic Church to pray for them (for their faith and perseverance in the faith) and to make them feel welcomed into the Church.

The Gospel of Luke says, “...there will be rejoicing among the angels of God over one sinner who repents.” (Luke 15:10) There should be joy in each and every one of us for those who have come to accept the faith.

As we pray for them, we can also remind ourselves of the importance of also praying for those who have fallen away from the faith or those who have not yet come to accept the faith. Sometimes we don't realize the power or the effects of our prayers; sometimes God grants us the grace of seeing the fruits of our prayer other times God keeps them hidden. Our Lord keeps them hidden so that we can rely more on faith – know that our prayers are heard although we do not see their effects.

Here is a prayer that can be said for the Catechumens,

“Lord Jesus!

You, who in the most bitter moments of Your passion showed an ardent thirst for souls, grant that we may share in this thirst.

Give us the light to grow in the knowledge of Your word and grant us strength so that, by collaborating in preaching this word at every moment of our lives,

we may bring to You, through Your holy Church, and the intercession of Your holy Mother, innumerable souls who live far from the truth. Grant this so that with You, through You and in You, they may be reconciled to the Eternal Father, in union with whom, together with the Holy Spirit, You live and reign forever and ever.

Amen.”

Together in Prayer

WEEKLY NEWS

Holy Thursday Adoration at Sacred Heart– March 28th

On the night of Holy Thursday, Eucharistic Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place, all are invited to accompany Jesus just as the disciple's kept vigil with Christ before his passion. The church will be open after the Holy Mass of the Lords Supper at 7:00pm to midnight, feel free to come at any time.

Good Friday March 29th

Cancellation of:

- Adoration (1:30-6:30PM),
- Stations of the Cross at Sacred Heart and St. John

We will have the 3 pm Good Friday liturgical celebration at Saint John the Baptist church. And at

10 AM starting at the Cathedral the youth will reenact the Way of the Cross in the streets of Peterborough finishing at Immaculate Conception. All are welcome to join. Shuttle services will be made available provided by the cathedral.

Holy Saturday March 30th

You are invited at 9AM at Sacred Heart for the Rosary of the 7 Sorrows of Mary and prayer of the Divine Mercy Novena which will start on Good Friday March 29, please take a pamphlet.

Easter Lilies A Donation would be appreciated to help purchase Lilies for the decoration of the church on Easter. Please drop your donation in the collection basket using the provided envelopes.

Office Closed Week of April 1st to 5th.

Mass Cancellations

There will be no 8AM Mass on Mon April 1st, Tues. April 2nd, Wed. April 3rd, and Thur. April 4th. And there will be NO 6:40 am Adoration on Friday April 5th, but there will be morning prayer and Holy Mass. In the evening, at Sacred Heart, there will be holy adoration 1:30 – 6:30PM and the first Friday Devotion Mass.

Sacred Heart Spaghetti Dinner Come and enjoy a delicious Spaghetti Dinner on Sat, April 13th after the 5:30 PM Holy Mass. Tickets will be sold after Sunday Masses, they can also be purchased at the Office at Saint John the Baptist (300 Wilson St. 705 745 7631). \$10 for Adults and \$5 donation for Kids.

Parish Mass Intentions We have free space for weekday Mass intentions. Remember the Catholic Mass is the most powerful form of prayer, it is a common practice to have it offered for a living person, a deceased person, in thanksgiving, for a celebration or for a special intention. Having a Mass said for someone is a powerful way to intercede or pray for them on their behalf.

Reminder of Novena of Divine Mercy

The novena starts on April 29th Good Friday. Pamphlets are available at the entrance of the church.



Holy Week Schedule

CHRISM MASS: March 25 • Mass at Cathedral 2PM

HOLY THURSDAY: March 28 • Mass of the Lord's Supper at Sacred Heart 7:00PM followed by a Eucharistic procession and Adoration.

GOOD FRIDAY: March 29 • Celebration of the Lord's Passion at St John the Baptist 3:00PM with Veneration of the Cross and the distribution of Holy Communion.

HOLY SATURDAY: March 30 • Easter Vigil at Sacred Heart 8:00PM. Please note there will be no 4:00PM Mass at St. John and 5:30PM Mass at Sacred H.

EASTER SUNDAY: March 31 • Sacred Heart 9:00AM & Latin Mass 11:00AM • St. John the Baptist 10:30AM

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) Then Select “Sign Up”*

GOSPEL Mark 11.1-10 of Sunday March 24

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ just say this, ‘The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.’”

They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, “what are you doing, untying the colt?” they disciples told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it.

Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields.

Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, “Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!”