

MASS SCHEDULE - St. John

Sat., Aug 30 Vigil of 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
4:00 pm For all parishioners.  
Sun., Aug 31 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
10:30 am For Vincent Daniel Maloney and family.  
Mon. Sep 1 Labour Day - Ferial Weekday  
8:00 am For Sr. Krolowa.  
Tue., Sep 2 Mass at Sacred Heart 8:00 AM  
Wed. Sep 3 St. Gregory the Great, Pope, Doctor  
8:00 am + Don Stante from the family.  
Thu., Sep 4 Mass at Sacred Heart 8:00 AM  
Fri., Sep 5 Mass at Sacred Heart 8:00 AM  
Sat., Sep 6 Vigil of 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
4:00 pm For all parishioners.  
Sun., Sep 7 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
10:30 am For Ivan and Andrea  
from Nilesh and Sianna.

Last Weekend – August 24		
Mass	Attendance	Contributions
4:00 pm Saturday	54	\$ 320
10:30 am Sunday	85	\$ 480
Online donations:		\$ 193
Total	139	\$ 993
Special donation:		
Thank you for your generosity and support!		

PASTOR’S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,  
As we begin a new academic year, it is a wonderful opportunity to renew our commitment to the mission of the Church in our parishes. The Church reminds us in Canon Law that every parish is called to foster its pastoral activity and to wisely administer its temporal goods with the assistance of the faithful.  
Canon Law 536 §1. If the diocesan bishop judges it opportune after he has heard the presbyteral council, a pastoral council is to be established in each parish, over which the pastor presides and in which the Christian faithful, together with those who share in pastoral care by virtue of their office in the parish, assist in fostering pastoral activity.

Canon 537 In each parish there is to be a finance council which is governed, in addition to universal law, by norms issued by the diocesan bishop and in which the Christian faithful, selected according to these same norms, are to assist the pastor in the administration of the goods of the parish, without prejudice to the prescript of can. 532.  
So as the names go, the Pastoral Council is for pastoral activities such as Processions, Pilgrimages, especial Masses, Oratories, Youth and children groups, Pro-Life activities, etc so to help the pastor to shepherd the church. The Finance Council is for administrative activities such as Projects, Contracts, Banks, Collections, Companies, etc so to help the pastor to administer the church  
With this in mind, we will soon be holding our meetings:  
**At St. John’s:**  
1- Tuesday September 2nd we have Finance Council (also called Property Committee) Meeting at 12noon in the Parish Office.  
2- Tuesday September 2nd we have Pastoral Council (also called Parish Council) Meeting at 4pm in the Parish Office. All parishioners are invited to attend this meeting.  
**At Sacred Heart:**  
1- Thursday September 4th we have Finance Council (also called Property Committee) Meeting at 2pm in the Parish Rectory.  
2- Thursday September 4th we have Pastoral Council (also called Parish Council) Meeting at 7pm in the Parish Rectory. All parishioners are invited to attend this meeting.  
Next week I will present the difference between “a Parish-based Group” and “non Parish-based Group”.  
Let us place these gatherings under the protection of our Blessed Mother and the guidance of the Holy Spirit, so that through prayer, collaboration, and service, our parishes may continue to grow as communities of faith, hope, and charity.

Fr. Gaston Giacinti, IVE  
WEEKLY NEWS

**Please pray for** the soul of Fr. John Albao, who passed away August 26 in the Philippines. He was pastor at St. John’s and Sacred Heart.  
  
**Sacramental Preparation Program 2025-2026**  
First Reconciliation grades 2-12 (October-January), First Holy Communion grades 2 -12 (February- May), Confirmation grades 7-12 (October - May) The website has the pre-registration form.  
  
**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.  
  
**DIOCESAN & OTHER NEWS:**  
**Douro Doings 2025**  
Monday September 1st is “Douro Doings 2025” at Douro Park: children’s games, entertainment, classic car show and more. You are invited.  
**Retrouvaille Marriage Weekend in Toronto**  
September 5th – 7th is the next Toronto Retrouvaille Marriage Weekend in Toronto. Retrouvaille is a lifeline for marriages going through troubles. For more check their website.  
**Celebration of the Canonization of Carlo Acutis & Peir Giorgio Frassati** Saturday September 6 at the Cathedral of St. Peter-In-Chains, we will be celebrating “the Canonization of Carlo Acutis & Peir Giorgio Frassati”. At 5 pm Mass with blessings of relics of Carlo Acutis, followed by a reception at the Knights of Columbus Hall and finally Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Cathedral from 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm.  
**The Misfits concert in aid of Church for stolen electronic equipment’s** Fund-raising appeal through free will offering. KofC and Parishioners at St. Anne Church launched a fundraising drive to replace stolen items. The Misfits will be performing music in the church at 859 Barnardo



Ave, Peterborough, on Saturday September 13th at 7pm – 9 pm. Admission is free. There will be an intermission, and BAR will be open in the Hall.  
**Pilgrimage to the Martyr’s Shrine**  
Saturday September 20 is the Pilgrimage to the Martyr’s Shrine. Our parishes will go along with the Cathedral bus. Please for more information, please call the Cathedral Office 705 745 4681. For those driving to the Martyr Shrine---Saturday September 20, 2025 Regular Admission \$10.00 per person in vehicle. Free Admission: Youth (0-18 years)\* Support Persons (accompanying those with disability)\* Indigenous Persons (Status Card)\* Canadian Veterans (Veteran's Service Card)\*  
  
**GOSPEL** Luke 14.1, 7-14 of Sunday August 31  
On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the Sabbath, the lawyers and Pharisees were watching him closely. When Jesus noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable.  
“When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, ‘Give this person your place,’ and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place.  
“But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, ‘Friend, move up higher’; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted.”  
Jesus said also to the Pharisee who had invited him, “When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or sisters or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”