

MASS SCHEDULE - St. John

Sat., Nov 8 Vigil of the dedication of the Lateran Basilica
4:00 pm For Joe & Beula Allen from the family.
Sun., Nov 9 The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
10:30 am For all parishioners.
Mon. Nov 10 St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor
8:00 am + Carol Masterson from the family.
Tue., Nov 11 Mass at Sacred Heart 8:00 AM
Wed. Nov 12 St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr
For the intentions & Holiness of Ann Mariya on her birthday from The blue army of our Lady of Fatima Group.
Thu., Nov 13 Mass at Sacred Heart 8:00 AM
Fri., Nov 14 Mass at Sacred Heart 8:00 AM
Sat., Nov 15 Vigil of the Thirty-Third Sunday
4:00 pm For all Parishioners.
Sun., Nov 16 Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time
10:30 am For the deceased Priests of the Diocese of Peterborough.

Last Weekend – November 2, 2025		
Mass	Attendance	Contributions
4:00 pm Saturday	56	\$ 382
10:30 am Sunday	81	\$ 608
Online donations:		\$ 193
Total	137	\$ 1,183
Special donation: Special donation \$1,900		
World Missions \$380, Fuel and maintenance \$475		
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WEEKLY NEWS

Christmas Play

The St. John the Baptist Catholic Missionary Children group will putting the annual Christmas play on December 19 at 7:30pm (the place to be announced). Please keep it on your calendar.

Turkey Dinner

This years Sacred Heart parish turkey dinner will be held on Nov. 30 at 5p.m. Tickets will be available at the office for purchase during office hours. The cost is the same as last year \$18 for adults and \$2/youth. If you would like to help out with the dinner and preparations please please contact Ed Genge 705-875-8045.

Catholic Missionary Children Oratory

All children ages 7 to 10 are invited on Saturdays to join the CMC at St. John the Baptist church at 10 am. For info contact Sr. Inmaculada 705 977 6410 or stjohndsacredheart@gmail.com

DIOCESAN NEWS

Employment Opportunity

Immaculate Conception Church, has a need for an organist to play the large organ in their mezzanine for each Sunday’s 9:30 a.m. Mass. Qualified applicants to contact the parish office at office@immaculatepeterborough.ca.

St. Joseph’s, Douro Advent Concert

You are warmly invited to St. Joseph's Parish for an uplifting celebration that carries us from the anticipation of Advent into the joy of Christmas! Gather with family and friends on Sunday, November 30, 2025, from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM, for an afternoon of festive music, community, and sharing. Help Us Enhance Our Church: Every note played, and dollar donated will help. All funds raised will go directly toward purchasing a much-needed new sound system for the church. Come enjoy the music and support a great cause!

Deacon Formation Program Fall 2026

A new program will be starting up in Sept 2026. This is a 4 year program open to men aged 35-62 who are discerning a call to become a deacon. Program only runs every 4 years so now is the time if you think you are interested. Direct any inquiries to Dcn. Bill Radigan at billradigan@peterboroughdiocese.org
Project Rachel Retreat Upcoming retreat will be held at St. Mary of Egypt Refuge from November 14 to 16. Project Rachel offers healing and strength to women who are hurting as a result of a past abortion experience and does so in a confidential and caring way. For more info about Project Rachel and how to register, check out the St. Mary of Egypt Refuge website. Quiet Days Do you feel the need for “a day away”, some personal time for quiet, prayer and reflection? The Sisters of St. Joseph are making a space for you at their home at Mount St. Joseph, for just such a need. From Mon to Fri 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Snacks and noon meal will be available. Mass is at

11:15 a.m. Monday - Thursday. You are responsible for your own use of time. Call at least 3 days minimum in advance to confirm availability. Suggested offering of \$30. Wheelchair accessible, no smoking. For booking or questions call 705-745-1309 (ext. 502) to speak to Maia.

Come and See at St. Peter's Seminary

St. Peter’s Seminary in London, ON, will be hosting a Come and See Weekend on November 21st-23rd. The retreat is open to men who are over 18 years old. Space is limited, so register asap! Those who register are also being asked to inform Fr. Stephen DeCarlo at:

FrStephenDecarlo@peterboroughdiocese.org

Pope Leo XIV has declared St. John Henry Newman

a doctor of the Church, recognizing the English cardinal and theologian — one of the most influential converts from Anglicanism — as a towering figure of faith and intellect in modern Catholicism.

The declaration took place at the beginning of Mass for the solemnity of All Saints on Nov. 1, celebrated in St. Peter’s Basilica as part of the Jubilee of Education.

Pope Leo then read in Latin the solemn formula declaring Newman the 38th doctor of the universal Church. The pope also named Newman co-patron of Catholic education, putting him alongside St. Thomas Aquinas in that role.

‘An inspiration to new generations’
“Newman’s impressive spiritual and cultural stature will surely serve as an inspiration to new generations whose hearts thirst for the infinite and who, through research and knowledge, are willing to undertake that journey which, as the ancients said, takes us ‘per aspera ad astra,’ through difficulties to the stars,” the pope said in his homily. “The lives of the saints teach us that it is possible to live passionately amidst the complexity of the present, without neglecting the apostolic mandate to ‘shine like stars in the world,’” the pope continued, quoting St. Paul’s Letter to the Philippians. “On this solemn occasion, I wish to say to teachers and educational institutions: ‘Shine today like stars in the world’ through your authentic commitment to the collective search for truth and to sharing it with generosity and integrity.”

Referring to Newman’s famous hymn “Lead, Kindly Light,” Leo added: “The task of education is precisely to offer this Kindly Light to those who might otherwise remain imprisoned by the particularly insidious shadows of pessimism and fear. For this reason, I would like to say to you: let us disarm the false reasons for resignation and powerlessness, and let us share the great reasons for hope in today’s world.”

Pope Leo also emphasized that “life shines brightly not because we are rich, beautiful, or powerful. Instead, it shines when we discover within ourselves the truth that we are called by God, have a vocation, have a mission, that our lives serve something greater than ourselves.”

Finally, he recalled Pope Benedict XVI’s words to young people: “‘What God wants most of all for each one of you is that you should become holy. He loves you much more than you could ever begin to imagine.’ This is the universal call to holiness that the Second Vatican Council made an essential part of its message. And holiness is intended for everyone, without exception, as a personal and communal journey marked out by the beatitudes.”

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GOSPEL Luke 16.9-15 of Saturday November 8

“Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own?

“No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.”

The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all this, and they ridiculed Jesus. So he said to them, “You are those who justify yourselves in the sight of others; but God knows your hearts; for what is prized by human beings is an abomination in the sight of God.”