



# St. John the Evangelist

## Roman Catholic Church (1857)

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### Finance Committee:

Bonnie Rooney

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### Mass Times

#### Arthur:

**Tuesday - Friday:** 9:00 am

**Sunday:** 10:30 am

(Rosary 30 minutes before Mass)

#### Palmerston:

**Wednesday:** 10:30 am

**Saturday:** 4:00 pm

#### Kenilworth:

**Friday:** 10:00 am

**Sunday:** 9:00 am

(Rosary 30 Minutes before Mass)

**St. John School:** 519 848 2445

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***Sunday January 12, 2025 - The Baptism of the Lord***  
***“The Spirit of God comes upon Jesus as he is baptized by John.”***  
***Sunday January 19, 2025 - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time***  
***“Jesus performs his first sign at a wedding feast in Cana.”***

### ***Welcome to St. John the Evangelist, Sacred Heart and St. Mary the Immaculate Parishes***

We extend a warm welcome to all our parishioners and visitors and hope that you feel at home in every parish. For information on registration and to find out how you can get more involved with parish activities, please contact us by: **Phone:** 519-848-2108, **Email:** [stjohnarthur@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:stjohnarthur@hamiltondiocese.com)

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### **PRAY THE 2025 JUBILEE PRAYER**

Today we celebrate the feast of the **Baptism of the Lord**. In today's Gospel, as in the other Gospel accounts of Jesus' baptism, we hear John the Baptist address the confusion of the people who thought that John might be the Messiah. In response, John contrasts the baptism that he performs with the Baptism that Jesus will inaugurate.

The baptism of Jesus is considered a manifestation of God in Jesus, another “epiphany.” On this, the last day of the Christmas season, our Gospel reveals to us Jesus' relation to God: the son of Mary and Joseph is also God's own Son. In Luke's Gospel, all three members of the Trinity are manifested here: God the Father in the voice, the Holy Spirit descending, and Jesus the Son. At the beginning of his Gospel, Luke is communicating to us important information about the identity of Jesus. In the verses that follow, Luke lists the genealogy of Jesus, tracing Jesus' ancestry back to the first person, Adam, who is also identified as the son of God. We, the children of Adam and Eve, are again made children of God through Baptism. *From Loyola Press: Sunday Connection*

#### Confession

*After Daily Mass & 1st Friday*

*Saturday 2:30 - 3 p.m.*

***or upon request***

#### Adoration - First Friday

*8:30 am - 9:00 am (Arthur)*

*10:00 am - 10:30 am (Kenilworth)*

#### Baptism

*Please contact the office at least four months in advance.*

#### Marriage

*Please contact the office at least one year in advance.*

## ARTHUR MASS SCHEDULE

**SUNDAY Jan. 12**

**10:30 am** *Int. for all Parishioners*

**TUESDAY Jan. 14**

**9:00 am + Annie Tone**

*Req. by Norm & Ruth Anne Staples*

**WEDNESDAY Jan. 15**

**9:00 am + Stephen Zurav**

*Req. by the Smolkova Family*

**THURSDAY Jan. 16**

**9:00 am + Harold & Viola Goetz**

*Req. by the Estate*

**11:30 am - School Mass**

**+ Annie Tone**

*Req. by Jose & Cecilia Prella*

**FRIDAY Jan. 17**

**9:00 am + Salvatore Abate**

*Req. by William & Marsha Harcourt*

**SUNDAY Jan. 19**

**10:30 am** *Int. for all Parishioners*

**TUESDAY Jan. 21**

**9:00 am + Peter & Mary Kelly**

*Req. by the Estate*

**WEDNESDAY Jan. 22**

**9:00 am + Romana Wieseneggar**

*Req. by Theresia Clausing & family*

**THURSDAY Jan. 23**

**9:00 am + Peter & Mary Kelly**

*Req. by the Estate*

**FRIDAY Jan. 24**

**9:00 am + Annie Tone**

*Req. by Bert & Brenda Coffey*

**SUNDAY Jan. 26**

**10:30 am** *Int. for all Parishioners*

## Arthur Offerings:

**Christmas:** \$ 5760.00

**Sunday, Dec. 29**

Collection: \$ 5688.20

Maintenance: \$

Flowers: \$ 70.00

Missals: \$ 281.25

**New Years Day & Initial:**

\$ 1250.50

**Sunday, Jan. 5**

Collection: \$ 1313.60

Maintenance: \$ 235.00

*Thank you  
all for  
your  
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St. John the  
Evangelist  
Parish*

## St. John's C.W.L. News



The purpose of the Catholic Women's League of Canada is to unite Catholic women to grow in faith and to promote social justice through service to the Church, Canada and the World. This is the largest national organization of lay women in Canada, whose patroness is Our Lady of Good Counsel. At St. John's, the CWL contributes to various charities and organizations within our parish as well as locally & abroad. Members experience personal and spiritual growth as we pray for each other, as well as friendship and fun. ***The 2025 membership fee will be \$30.00 and runs from January 1 to December 31.*** If you are already a member please consider inviting others to join us.

Your membership also adds your voice of support for the local, national and international work in the many and varied outreach social justice issues currently being addressed by the League.

## Kindergarten Registration at Wellington Catholic DSB

The Wellington Catholic District School Board will be accepting new registrations for kindergarten at our schools beginning January 6, 2025!

### To be eligible for registering in kindergarten, children;

- must be four years of age on or before December 31, 2025, to attend Year 1 Kindergarten
- must be five years of age on or before December 31, 2025, to attend Year 2 Kindergarten

**To register** we ask that you visit [https://www.wellingtoncdsb.ca/registration/kindergarten\\_registration](https://www.wellingtoncdsb.ca/registration/kindergarten_registration) and complete the online student pre-registration form. Once you have completed this form you will receive a follow-up email to complete the registration process. We ask that you have the following documents available;

- Child's Birth Certificate
  - Parent Or Child's Baptismal Certificate
  - Proof of Tax Support for Families New to the System (i.e., Most Recent Tax Bill)
  - Proof of Address (Government Document, Mortgage or Rental Agreement, Hydro Bill, Credit Card Statement)
  - Immigration Documentation (If Applicable)
  - Custody Documents (If Applicable)
- During the registration process, school administration are available to assist you with any questions you may have.

### Please note:

Students currently attending a Wellington Catholic Year 1 Kindergarten program are **NOT REQUIRED** to register for Year 2 Kindergarten.

Should you have any questions about registration procedures or requirements, please contact your local Catholic school.



**Sacred Heart RC Church, Kenilworth**  
**9139 Highway 6 Kenilworth, ON N0G 2E0**

**Confessions at Sacred Heart:** will be on the FIRST Sunday of each month at 8:30 am, or upon request.



**Sacred Heart CWL News**  
**Memberships**

The Catholic Women's League is the largest organization of women expressing their values and promoting dignity and justice for all. Prayers are an important part of the CWL as members journey together in faith. Our League supports local charities, Save a Family, support for those in need in our community and our Parish as well as many other Spiritual activities. The CWL invites all Catholic women to share their gifts and make a difference. All present Catholic Women's League members or those wishing to join our league are reminded that the annual membership of \$34.00 is now due. Membership envelopes are in your collection envelope box and can be placed in the collection basket or given to Debbie Bowier. Thank you for your support.

**Kenilworth Offerings:**

**Christmas:** \$7060.00

**Sunday, Dec. 29**

Collection: \$ 1632.00

Maintenance: \$ 100

**New Years Day & Initial:**

\$ 741.00

**Sunday, Jan 5**

Collection: \$ 824.00

Maintenance: \$ 120.00

*Thank you all for your  
financial support of  
Sacred Heart Parish.*

**SUNDAY Jan. 12**

**9:00 am + Paula, Verna & Frank Epoch**

*Req. by Tim, Dennis & Tom*

**+ Cyril & Teresa Lehman**

*Req. by the Family*

**FRIDAY Jan. 17**

**10:00 am - +Stella McCabe**

*Req. by the Estate*

**SUNDAY Jan. 19**

**9:00 am Intentions of Margaret Goetz**

*Req. by Matt & Theresa Brownson*

**FRIDAY Jan. 24**

**10:00 am Intentions of Father Michael  
Lehman**

*Req. by the Family*

**SUNDAY Jan. 26**

**9:00 am + Paula Epoch**

*Req. by Tim, Dennis & Tom*

**St. Mary the Immaculate, Palmerston**

**365 Main St E. Palmerston, ON N0G 2P0**

**Palmerston Offerings:**

**Christmas:** \$595.00

**Sunday, Dec. 29**

Collection: \$ 225.10

Maintenance: \$

Donation: \$ 100.00

**New Years Day & Initial:**

\$ 315.00

**Sunday, Jan. 5**

Collection: \$ 160.00

Maintenance: \$ 45.00

*Thank you all for your  
financial support of  
St. Mary the Immaculate*

**SATURDAY Vigil Jan. 11**

**4:00 pm + Fortunata Vicente**

*Req. by Vivian Vicente*

**WEDNESDAY Jan. 15**

**10:30 am + Harold & Viola Goetz**

*Req. by the Estate*

**SATURDAY Vigil Jan. 18**

**4:00 pm + Ernesto Vicente**

*Req. by Vivian Vicente*

**WEDNESDAY Jan. 22**

**10:30 pm + Harold & Viola Goetz**

*Req. by the Estate*

**SATURDAY Vigil Jan. 25**

**4:00 pm + Peter & Mary Kelly**

*Req. by the Estate*

**Offertory Envelopes**

There are still several box sets of offertory envelopes waiting to be picked up. If you donate using envelopes, there will be a box set with your name on it at the entrance to the church. If you have any questions contact your parish contact or St. John parish office.

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**2024 Tax Receipts**

Income tax receipts for donations and contributions made in 2024 will be available by the end of February 2025. If you have any questions please contact the parish office or parish contact.



Please remember in your prayers our benefactors, volunteers and those who have left bequests.



**Pope Francis' Prayer Intention**  
**January 2025**

**\* For the Right to an Education \***

Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

**Thoughts from the Holy Father**

"Christian unity is necessary for the Church's mission to preach the Gospel.

"That they may all be one... so that the world may believe" (Jn 17:21). ."

*Pope Francis*

**St. John Parish Centre/Hall**

There are various 2025 dates available for gatherings and/or functions. There are application forms available at the back of the church or on the web site under "Get Involved" or call the parish office for more information.



**DIOCESE OF HAMILTON**

**JUBILEE 2025**

Each month in the Diocese of Hamilton, we will pray for ***Heros of Hope*** – those members of our parishes and communities who offer hope to those in need by their ministries and service. During January, we pray for those who serve in Parish Ministries:

Lord God, by the grace of our baptism,  
you have given us new life in Christ and called us to serve as pilgrims of hope.

We pray in thanksgiving for those who have responded to your call  
to be leaders in our parish community  
and for the volunteers who dedicate their gifts  
for the building up of your Church  
and the service of their sisters and brothers.

Through their varied ministries,  
may they touch the hearts of all in our community  
who long for the hope, born of our Christian faith,  
that never disappoints. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



**DIOCESAN VOCATIONS PRAYER CALENDAR**  
*... let us pray for*

Mon. Jan. 13 - Rev. Allen Varlaki  
Tues. Jan. 14 - Rev. Rajesh Dsouza, O.C.D  
Wed. Jan. 15 - Sisters of St. John the Baptist  
Thur. Jan. 16 - Rev. Jerzy Tomon  
Fri. Jan. 17 - Rev. Peter Tuyen Nguyen  
Sat. Jan. 18 - Rev. Pierre Luc, S.J.

Prayer for Christian Unity - January 18-25

Mon. Jan. 20 - Rev. James Curtin  
Tues. Jan. 21 - Rev. Edward Hampson  
Wed. Jan. 22 - Youth Ministers  
Thur. Jan. 23 - Rev. Scott Whitfield  
Fri. Jan. 24 - Rev. Michael Bennett  
Sat. Jan. 25 - Rev. Ron Cote

***PRAY FOR VOCATIONS.***

**Vocation Seeds**

**Baptism of the Lord - January 12, 2025**

As John the Baptist introduced the people of his time to Jesus a voice from heaven said, "You are my Son, the Beloved, with you I am well pleased."

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 19, 2025**

Pray to know how God wants to use your talents and abilities. Could it be He is calling you to consider priesthood, diaconate, or religious life? If He is contact **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.**

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