

PARISH BULLETIN

St. John the Evangelist

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St. Mary the Immaculate

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

Sacred Heart RC Church

9141 Hwy. 6, Kenilworth, ON N0G 2E0



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 Website: www.stjohntheevangelist.ca

Sunday January 25, 2026 - Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

"Jesus begins to preach in Galilee and calls his first disciples."

Sunday February 1, 2026 - Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

"Jesus teaches what it means to be happy."

Pastor:

Reverend Stephen Gilbert

Office Secretary:

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Office Hours:

Tues.- Fri. 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Bookkeeper:

Patsy Weadick

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Finance Committee:

Bonnie Rooney

Sacristan:

Louise Dingman

Caretaker:

Ambrose Brown

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

(Rosary 30 Minutes before Mass)

Kenilworth:

Friday: 10:00 am

Sunday: 9:00 am

(Rosary 30 Minutes before Mass)

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St. John School: 519 848 2445

www.stjohnarthur.wellingtoncdsb.ca

Confession

St. John

After Daily Mass & 1st Friday

Saturday 2:30 - 3 p.m.

or upon request

Sacred Heart

First Sunday of each month at 8:30 am or upon request

Adoration - First Friday

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

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

(Mass to Follow Adoration)

Baptism

Please contact the office at least four months in advance.

Marriage

Please contact the office at least one year in advance.

January - The month of the holy name of Jesus

Every time this name is spoken, it becomes not merely a word but a representation of hope, healing, and salvation. Take some time during this month of January to reflect on the Holy Name of Jesus.

Let His name become a simple prayer for you as you go about your day.

Bring Him into each moment with a single word: "Jesus."

World Day of Prayer 2026

Prepared by the WDP Committee of Nigeria

“I Will Give You Rest: Come”

Matthew 11: 28-30

St. John the Evangelist parish will be hosting the 2026 World Day of Prayer this year. It will be held on **Friday March 6th at 2pm**.

We will need help organizing this event - people to set up, advertising & posters, video and music, and organize & prepare the lunch. If you could volunteer in any of these areas please contact Linda Janssen.

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

February 2, 2026

.....is also known as the Feast of the Encounter: the Liturgy says at the beginning that Jesus goes to meet his people. Thus, this is the encounter between Jesus and his people, when Mary and Joseph brought their child to the Temple in Jerusalem; the first encounter between Jesus and his people, represented by Simeon and Anna, took place.

Prayer:

Almighty ever-living God,
we humbly implore your majesty
that, just as your Only Begotten Son
was presented on this day in the Temple
in the substance of our flesh,
so, by your grace,
we may be presented to you with minds made pure.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the
Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

What's Happening ~ Save the Date!

Sun. Feb. 1	St. John - Coffee Sunday in the parish centre.
Mon. Feb. 2	St. John - CWL General Membership Meeting at 7 pm in parish centre meeting room.
Mon. Feb. 16	Family Day Weekend!
Fri. Mar. 6	World Day of Prayer at St. John the Evangelist Church at 2 pm.

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. **The 2026 membership fee will be \$34.50 and runs from January 1 to December 31.** If you are already a member please consider inviting others to join us. Please place your membership in an envelope on the collection plate or speak to Linda Janssen or Mary Townsend for more information.

Kindergarten Registration at Wellington Catholic DSB

The Wellington Catholic District School Board is now accepting new registrations for Kindergarten students! Our two-year Kindergarten program allows our young learners to learn, grow, and explore through play and inquiry in a faith-based environment.

Children who were born in 2022 may attend Year One Kindergarten (Junior Kindergarten), and children born in 2021 may attend Year Two Kindergarten (Senior Kindergarten). If your child is currently attending Year One with Wellington Catholic DSB, you do not have to re-register for Year Two at the same school.

We invite families to register their child for Kindergarten by following these steps:

Find your school. Visit findmyschool.ca find your local Catholic school using your home address

Pre-Register. Complete the [online pre-registration form](#) available at wellingttoncdsb.ca. Once submitted, you will receive a unique registration code by email. Use the code and link provided to complete the online registration forms

Schedule a meeting with school administration. Book a meeting with the school to meet the staff, submit required documents, and finalize your child's admission

Wellington Catholic DSB is happy to support you throughout the registration process. For more information, please visit wellingttoncdsb.ca or contact your local Catholic school. We look forward to welcoming your family into our school community this fall!



Mass Intention Schedule - January 25 - February 8, 2026

Sunday Jan. 25 - 9:00 am (Kenilworth) - + Paula Epoch - *Tim Epoch*

+ Mary Jo Marshall - *Tim & Deb*

- 10:30 am (Arthur) - Intention of all Parishioners

Tuesday Jan. 27 - 9:00 am - (Arthur) - + Deceased members of the Epoch & Rooney families -
Wayne & Bonnie Rooney & family

Wednesday Jan. 28 - 9:00 am - (Arthur) - + Rev. Piotr Golinski - *David & Teresa Hawkins*

- 10:30 am (Palmerston) - No Mass

Thursday Jan. 29 - 9:00 am (Arthur) - + Deceased members of Moynagh family - *Murt Wolsley*

Friday Jan. 30 - 9:00 am (Arthur) - + Jose Pereira - *Gloria Pereira*

- 10:00 am (Kenilworth) - + Stella McCabe - *the Estate*

+ Frank Bowier - *Verne & Pauline Mills*

Saturday Vigil Jan. 31 - 4:00 pm (Palmerston) - + Dr. Robert Farrell - *The Farrell family*

Sunday Feb. 1 - 9:00 am (Kenilworth) - Intention of Fr. Michael Lehman - *the Kopecki family*
- Intention of Sharon Rajewski - *Sacred Heart CWL*

- 10:30 am (Arthur) - + Mary Raftis - *David & Teresa Hawkins*

Tuesday Feb. 3 - 9:00 am (Arthur) - + Evelyn DeMuynck - *Tim & Mary Johnson*

Wednesday Feb. 4 - 9:00 am (Arthur) - + John Vidosh - *Tim & Mary Johnson*

- 10:30 am (Palmerston) - No Mass

Thursday Feb. 5 - 9:00 am - (Arthur) - + Gloria & Laurina Benevides - *Gloria Pereira*

First Friday Feb. 6 - 9:00 am - (Arthur) - + Jim & Helen Wolsley - *Murt Wolsley*

- 10:00 am (Kenilworth) - No Mass

Saturday Vigil Feb. 7 - 4:00 pm (Palmerston) - + Lubin Bisson - *Rob & Joan Dal Bianco*

Sunday Feb. 8 - 9:00 am (Kenilworth) - + Stella McCabe - *the Estate*
+ Patrick Kirby - *Stephen & Maureen Dineen*

- 10:30 am (Arthur) - + Deceased members of Wolsley families

- *Murt Wolsey*

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on **Saturday, February 7th at the St. Michael's Church, Waterloo ON**. Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>. For more information, contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

Offer a **Mass Intention** for a loved one, or in thanksgiving. Contact the parish office or leave an envelope in the collection basket. Thank you.



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



The Pope's Prayer Intention January 2026

For prayer with the Word of God

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

Thoughts from the Holy Father

"If we embrace Christ with open arms, we will also embrace others with trust & humility. Then conflicts will not escalate, disagreements will no divide and the temptation to domineer & to offend the dignity of others will be overcome." *Pope Francis*

St. John Parish Centre/Hall

There are various 2026 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

The Installation of His Excellency, Bishop Joseph

Dabrowski, as the *10th Bishop of Hamilton* will take place on **Monday, February 2, at 11:00 a.m.** at the **Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King** in Hamilton. This is an invitation-only liturgical celebration. We invite the faithful of the Diocese to keep our new Bishop in prayer as he begins his episcopal ministry among us.

The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2026? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Dabrowski and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 31, 2026 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is found under Upcoming Events on the home page at hamiltondiocese.com, or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

DIOCESAN VOCATIONS PRAYER CALENDAR

... let us pray for

Mon. Jan. 26 - Rev. Timothy Higgins
Tues. Jan. 27 - Very Rev. David Wynen
Wed. Jan. 28 - Carmelites of Mary Immaculate C.M.I.
Thur. Jan. 29 - Rev. Fadi Wajih Rizk
Fri. Jan. 30 - Rev. Marko Stefanec
Sat. Jan. 31 - Rev. Edward Mahony

Mon. Feb. 2 - **The Presentation of the Lord**
World Day for Consecrated Life

Tues. Feb. 3 - Rev. Allen Varlaki
Wed. Feb. 4 - Missionaries
Thur. Feb. 5 - Rev. Charles Jordan
Fri. Feb. 6 - Rev. Ken Miskiewicz
Sat. Feb. 7 - Rev. Florian Stasinski, C.R.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS.

Vocation Seeds

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 25, 2026
"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." Are you willing to proclaim the coming of the kingdom as a priest, deacon, brother or sister?

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – February 1, 2026
"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven..." Do not be discouraged by jeers when considering being a priest, deacon, brother or sister. Could it be that you or someone in your family is being called to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister? Contact, **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton** at **905-528-7988**.

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

PARISH *Support*

Jan. 11 & 18, 2026

	St. John	Sacred Heart	St. Mary
Regular Offertory Loose & Envelopes	\$ 3034.90	\$ 2041.00	\$ 470.00
Maintenance	\$ 85.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 50.00
Special / Flowers			
Christmas		\$20.00	
Jan. 1 & Initial	\$ 105.00	\$.00	\$ 45.00

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