

PARISH BULLETIN

St. John the Evangelist

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St. Mary the Immaculate

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Sacred Heart RC Church

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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 February 8, 2026 - Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

“You are the salt of the earth and the light of the world.”

Sunday February 15, 2026 - Sunday of Ordinary Time

“I have not come to abolish the law and the prophets but to fulfill them.”

Pastor:

Reverend Stephen Gilbert

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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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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.

February - The month of the Holy Family

“Jesus shows us how to love with a merciful heart, Mary reminds us to find joy in the little things, and Joseph encourages us to show up with quiet strength.”

This month, let's invite their peace into our chaos and let their example remind us that holiness grows right in the middle of everyday family life.

Little Rose Shop

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**.

A meeting has been set up on Feb. 25th at 2 pm in the parish centre meeting room for those who will be reading at the service. If you are able to volunteer on March 6th to help please contact Linda Janssen.

Ash Wednesday: February 18, 2026

It has been a custom for years and years in the Church to start thinking of Easter about 40 days ahead of time. The season of Lent begins with the ancient practice of marking the baptized with ashes as a public and communal sign of penance. It is a time to think about our sins and their consequences. A time to pray more and go to church more often. A time to help the poor and reach out to those in pain... A time to do the Stations of the Cross and think of Jesus suffering and love for us. It is a time to open our hearts to the needy. It is a time to fast... to fast in our words... to share with the poor.



Reflection: As we begin this season of Lent, I ask myself: Do I share my gifts and goods with others? Do I pray regularly and well, alone and with others? Am I ready to do penance and suffer with Jesus? How can I do better now?

What's Happening ~ Save the Date!

Wed. Feb. 11	Feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes World Day of the Sick
Mon. Feb. 14	.Feast of St. Valentine
Mon. Feb. 16	Family Day Weekend!
Wed. Feb. 18	Ash Wednesday
Wed. Feb. 25	Meeting for World Day of Prayer participants to review the service.
Sun. Mar. 1	ST. John Coffee Sunday following Mass.
Fri. Mar. 6	World Day of Prayer at St. John the Evangelist Church at 2 pm.

Rest in Peace We offer our prayers and sympathy to the family of Coleen Kelly, who was called to eternal life. *Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon on her. Amen.*



World Day of the Sick - Feb 11, 2026

(Excerpt from Pope Leo XIV's Message for World Day of the Sick 2026)

Let us raise our prayers to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Health of the Sick, asking her to assist all who suffer and are in need of compassion, consolation and a listening ear. Let us seek her intercession with this ancient prayer, that has been invoked in families for those living with illness and pain:

Sweet Mother, do not part from me.

Turn not your eyes away from me.

*Walk with me at every moment
and never leave me alone.*

*You who always protect me as a true Mother,
obtain for me the blessing of the
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.*

R Amen.

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.



Our next St. John Coffee Sunday will take place on Sunday March 1, 2026 after the 10:30 am Mass.



If anyone is interested in helping out with coffee hours this year please contact Shirley Coffey by email at jscoffey@eastlink.ca or text at 519-829-0354.

Mass Intention Schedule - February 8 - 22, 2026

Sunday	Feb. 8	9:00 am	Kenilworth	+ Stella McCabe	<i>The Estate</i>
				+Patrick Kirby	<i>Stephen & Maureen Dineen</i>
		10:30 am	Arthur	+ Deceased members of Wolsley families	<i>Murt Wolsley</i>
Tuesday	Feb. 10	9:00 am	Arthur	+ John Vidosh	<i>Tim & Mary Johnson</i>
Wednesday	Feb. 11	Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes			
		9:00 am	Arthur	+ Gabriel & Laurina Benevides	<i>Gloria Pereira</i>
		10:30 am	Palmerston	+ Julianne Skura	<i>Jim & Sally Skura</i>
Thursday	Feb 12	9:00 am	Arthur	+ Mary Jo Marshall	<i>Wayne & Bonnie Rooney & family</i>
Friday	Feb.13	9:00 am	Arthur	+ Jim Gagnon	<i>Rita Gagnon</i>
		10:00 am	Kenilworth	+ Frank Bowier	<i>Paul & Mary Lou Bolen</i>
				+ Bill & Madeleine Goetz	<i>Brenda & Bert</i>
Saturday Vigil	Feb.14	St. Valentine			
		4:00 pm	Palmerston	+ Diana Vanderpryt	<i>Theresa Pigozzo</i>
Sunday	Feb. 15	9:00 am	Kenilworth	+ Coleen Kelly	<i>Mike & Julie Goetz</i>
				+ Mary Jo Marshall	<i>Paul & Sheri Epoch</i>
		10:30 am	Arthur	+ Mary Raftis	<i>Norm & Ruth Anne Staples</i>
Tuesday	Feb. 17	9:00 am	Arthur	+ John Vidosh	<i>Tim & Mary Johnson</i>
Wednesday	Feb. 18	Ash Wednesday			
		8:00 am	Arthur	+ John Janssen	<i>Jim & Shirley Coffey & family</i>
		9:00 am	Kenilworth	+ Goetz Family members	<i>Dan, Angela & Mary Seifried</i>
		10:15 am	Palmerston	+ Souls in Purgatory	<i>Doug & Mary Pottruff</i>
		11:40 am	School Mass	+ Souls in Purgatory	
Thurdsay	Feb. 19	9:00 am	Arthur	+ Evelyn DeMuyneck	<i>Tim & Mary Johnson</i>
Friday	Feb. 20	9:00 am	Arthur	+ Jose Periera	<i>Gloria Pereira</i>
		10:00 am	Kenilworth	+ Lino Pigozzo	<i>Theresa Pigozzo</i>
				+ Mary Jo Marshall	<i>Stephen & Maureen Dineen</i>
Saturday Vigil	Feb. 21	4:00 pm	Palmerston	+ Joan Bisson	<i>Rob & Joan Dal Bianco</i>
Sunday	Feb. 22	9:00 am	Kenilworth	+ Ben Kopecki	<i>Betty Kopecki & family</i>
				+ Sharon Tangney	<i>Paul & Mary Lou Bolen</i>
		10:30 am	Arthur	+Michael, Teresa & John Green	<i>Ray & Joan Loughran & family</i>



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



The Pope's Prayer Intention February 2026

For Children With Incurable Diseases

Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope..

Thoughts from the Holy Father

Lent is “the favorable time” for returning to what is essential and true, and to be reconciled with God and each other.”

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 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.

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT Fr. Mark Morley invites young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of Adoration, fellowship and music for Lent in support of you as you discern your vocation and as we prepare to celebrate Easter. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30pm), social with food, vocations testimony, Lenten music concert, and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, **March 7th** at St. Ann Church (120 Sherman Avenue North, Hamilton, ON). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/> For information, contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

DIOCESAN VOCATIONS PRAYER CALENDAR

... let us pray for

Mon. Feb. 9 - Rev. Lourdy Dorismond, O.M.I.

Tues. Feb. 10 - St. Scholastica, Virgin

Wed. Feb. 11 - Discalced Carmelite Nuns, O.C.D.
World Day of the Sick

Thur. Jan. 12 - Parents & Guardians

Fri. Feb. 13 - Rev. Hanh Van Tran, O.M.I.

Sat. Feb. 14 - Rev. Adam Voisin

Mon. Feb. 16 - Rev. Jarek Pachocki, O.M.I.

Tues. Feb. 17 - Rev. Robert Love

Wed. Feb. 18- **Ash Wednesday**

Thur. Feb. 19 - Rev. Jeffery Oehring

Fri. Feb. 20 - Rev. Francesco Cucchi

Sat. Feb. 21 - Rev. Mark Gatto

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS.

Vocation Seeds

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 8, 2026

“You are the light of the world.” Are you willing to let your light shine as a priest, deacon, brother or sister?

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 15, 2026

“No eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him.” If you feel you are being invited to spread the Good News of God's love as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact, **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.**

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

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PARISH Support

Jan. 25 & Feb. 1, 2026

	St. John	Sacred Heart	St. Mary
Regular Offertory Loose & Envelopes	\$ 2747.55	\$ 1602.00	\$ 365.00
Maintenance	\$ 380.00	\$ 80.00	\$ 45.00
Special Collections	\$ 160.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 50.00
Jan.1 & Initial	\$ 40.00	\$.00	\$ 10.00

Thank you for your financial support and generosity!