Welcome

# Third Sunday of Lent

Mass Schedule - Mar 19-27

#### Saturday Mar 19 Solemnity of Saint Joseph

9:00 am For the People of the Parish 5:15 pm Dave White ~ Mary White & Family

#### Sunday Mar 20 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

9:00 am Ernie & Sharon Lee ~ Annette Scott 11:00 am For the People of the Parish

#### Tuesday Mar 22

4:30 pm Fr Timothy Amyot ~ Ken & Lucille Crawford

## Wednesday*Mar 23*

9:00 am Agnes Brennan ~ *Margaret Geddes* 

#### Thursday Mar 24

12:00 pm Robyn & Pierre Hoffstatter ~ *Nina Stewart* 

Friday Mar 25 Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord

- 9:00 amEthel Day ~ Peterson Family9:30 amHoly Adoration & Benediction
- 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

#### Saturday Mar 26

5:15 pm For the People of the Parish

#### Sunday Mar 27 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

9:00 am xochitl Azul Rivera ~ Arlene Nagle & Pat Loftus

11:00 am Ben van der Ham ~ Women of the Word

Mass Requests: stjohnperthmass@gmail.com or Parish Office

# MEETINGS - Two Weeks at a Glance

Most St John Meetings are held in the St John Narthex. Sun Mar 20 12:00 pm ~ Sacrament Formation Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation & 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Eucharist

15 Church - Parish Meeting Centre - remains closed for Weddings, Funeral receptions, and Parish Meetings.

#### Sun. Offering: Mar 13 \$4386 ~ Thank you for your contributions!

## **Donating To St Johns**

We gratefully accept donations by Cash or cheque, Mail in, Drop In, offertory plate, our PAD (pre-authorized debit) or e transfers (stjohnperthdonations@gmail.com). Check out our St John website for details. Please add your envelope number, church and how to apply your donation.

"Do not be deaf to the Lord's call. If he calls you to follow this path, do not pull your oars into the boat, but trust Him." *Pope Francis* 

# PRAYERS

In your prayers, please remember the sick. In your prayers, please remember the deceased.

## In need of prayer? Jesus, I trust in You

#### Contact: Parish Office

Connect with our strong prayer warriors, Father Charles, Father Brian, or one of our Parish Prayer teams through the Parish Office (for St John's Pastoral Care, CWL, or KOC Prayer group). Jesus, I trust in You.

## Pray for Ukraine: Prayer of Invocation to Our Lady of All Nations

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Father, send now Your Spirit over the earth. Let the Holy Spirit live in the hearts of all nations that they may be preserved from degeneration, disasters, and the ravages of war. May Our Lady of all Nations, the Blessed Virgin Mary, be our advocate. Blessed Mother, Queen of Peace, pray for the people of Ukraine. *Amen.* 

# SACRAMENTS & MASSES

## **Sacraments: Registration & Important Dates**

Grade 2 (1st Rec. & 1st Com.) & Grade 6 (Confirmation) Parish Office: 613-267-1043 Register online: stjohnperthontario.com/Sacraments

#### This Weekend – Formation Meeting #1 ~ Sun. 12:10pm

3 Sacramental Preparation Meetings (Parent & Candidate)
1<sup>st</sup> Communion: St John: Sun. 12:10p - Mar 20<sup>th</sup>; Apr 24<sup>th</sup>; & May 15<sup>th</sup>

**First Confession:** Thu. Apr 7<sup>th</sup>, 7pm, St Johns **First Communion:** May 28-29<sup>th</sup>, Weekend Masses St Johns

# FAITH FORMATION

## **Interested in Catholicism?**

Those who are interested in finding out more about the Catholic faith with a view to possibly becoming a Catholic are asked to contact the parish office (613-267-1043). Fr Charles & Fr. Brian would be pleased to meet with you.

## FORMED.org Our Free Catholic Resource!

Visit FORMED. org, login and access this parish-sponsored "Catholic Netflix" and its numerous resources for every age.

# PARISH FEATURE & FOCUS

In today's reading, Jesus is reminding us that there are consequences to our evil actions. We are offered forgiveness by God, but that forgiveness comes after we have demonstrated our willingness to repent, that is to 'turn around' and follow a different path.

The parable of the barren fig tree demonstrates this perfectly. Why should a tree that has produced no fruit be allowed to take up valuable space in the vineyard? But, Jesus says, 'No! Let us be patient. Let us wait a little longer and give it another chance.'

God is with US!

# LENT

#### **Stations of the Cross** Fri, 7pm, St John's Narthex



# THANK YOU

## CWL Members - A Big Thank you!

Message from: CWL President Coleen Donohue Dear Sisters of the League, your CWL presence was outstanding! Thank you to all that could attend! We came together, voiced our opinions and voted!

# PARISH GROUPS & MINISTRIES

## Annual CWL Convention - Registration Open

Annual CWL Convention Kingston Fri-Sun., Apr. 30- May 01 Registration Contact: Colleen

Please come out and join us for a great spiritual and CWL information packed weekend with guest speakers and more! New members are always welcome!

## Join Our Knights of Columbus (KOC)!

Perth Knights of Columbus (KOC), Local 3531 Attn: Catholic Male Parishioners 18+years Mar 26 & 27<sup>th</sup>, after Mass, in Narthex Register: Pat Loftus 613-267-6303

Our Perth KOC is part of the largest Catholic fraternal organization in the world. We support our church and priests, local widows and orphans, and our local Special Olympics team and more. Please come & join today!

# UPCOMING EVENTS

#### We Need Your Input - Synod 2020-23

Contact: Marleen sjp.synod@yahoo.com Small Group Sign up: Narthex or online on our website

If you haven't signed up to participate, now is the time to register! Synodality is a way of being church, based on the idea - the ideal - that all the baptized are walking together with a shared attention to the Holy Spirit. The Synodal Journey is a consultation with all the people of God and it is now well underway in our parish, with several small groups meeting.

### Foy Hall Garage Sale - Coming Soon!

Foy Hall, 91 Princess St, Lanark across from Church Fri-Sun - Mar 25-27th, 10am-2pm Contact: Louise Vachon 259-9975

#### Russia & Ukraine's Consecration to Immaculate Heart of Mary

Archbishop Mulhall in union with Pope Francis St Mary's Cathedral, Kingston Fri. Mar 25, 7pm

# LOOKING AHEAD

#### **LENT & EASTER**

Fridays	7pm, Station of Cross (during Lent)
Apr 10	Palm Sunday – Sat 5:15p, Sun. 9 & 11am
Apr 14	7pm - Holy Thursday Mass
Apr 15	Good Friday - 10am Stations of the Cross;
	5pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion
Apr 16	7:30p Holy Saturday Easter Vigil
Apr 17	Easter Sunday Sun 9 & 11 am
COMING SOON	
Mar 20	<b>Sacramental Prep Meeting, after 11am Mass</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Confession/1 <sup>st</sup> Communion
Mar 26	<b>1-3pm Muffin Mania Sale Outreach Fundraiser</b> St James Church, Contact: 613-201-6692
Apr 7	7pm – St John Church, First Confession
Apr 24	Sacramental Prep Meeting, after 11am Mass
	1 <sup>st</sup> Confession/1 <sup>st</sup> Communion
May 15	Sacramental Prep Meeting, after 11am Mass
	1 <sup>st</sup> Confession/1 <sup>st</sup> Communion
May 28-29	During Mass, St John Church, First Communion