

Welcome! 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 27, 2025

Mass Schedule for St. John the Baptist Parish, St. Bridget Parish, and Sacred Heart Parish ~ July 27<sup>th</sup> – August 3<sup>rd</sup>

Saturday July 26 ~ St. Anne & St. Joachim		
SJ	5:00pm	In Thanks to St. Jude ~ Bonnie Switzer
SVDP	5:00pm	Int. of Jennifer Bindman ~ Butler Family
Sunday July 27		
SJ	9:00am	Deceased members of the Forrest, Mulley, & Mitchell Families ~ Frank & Florence Mitchell
SHP	9:00am	Jean & Fred Shepherd ~ Gail & Fred Shepherd
SB	11:00am	Deceased members of the Mackler Family ~ Mackler Family
SJ	11:00am	Mass for the People of the Parish
Monday July 28		
SJ	8:30am	Prayer for the Sick & Suffering
Tuesday July 29 ~ St.'s Martha, Mary, & Lazarus		
SB	9:00am	For God's Healing ~
SJ	4:30pm	Ross Cotten ~ Brian Brosso
Wednesday July 30		
SJ	9:00am	Audrey Carson ~ Vivian Kehoe & Family
Thursday July 31 ~ St. Ignatius of Loyola		
SHP	9:00am	Ian MacDonald ~ Patricia MacDonald & Family
SJ	12:00pm	Teresa Shafer ~ Marg Trombley
(FIRST) Friday August 1 ~ St. Alphonsus Ligouri		
SJ	8:30am	Prayer for the Sick & Suffering
SJ	9:00am	Ken Kerr ~ Cathy Merkley
SJ	9:30am	Holy Adoration & Benediction
(FIRST) Saturday August 2		
SJ	9:00am	Maurice Facette ~ Brian Brosso
SJ	5:00pm	Mariette de Mercado ~ Dineen & Sheridan Families
SVDP	5:00pm	Bill Cavanagh ~ Brenda Cavanagh
Sunday August 3		
SJ	9:00am	Int. of Christiana Enyinnia ~ Brian Brosso
SHP	9:00am	Bernadette Weatherdon ~ Gail & Fred Shepherd
SB	11:00am	In thanksgiving for blessings received ~ Monica Robidoux & Family
SJ	11:00am	Mass for the People of the Parish

Thank you for your contributions! Regular Sunday Donation \$2440.

CEMETERY MEMORIAL SERVICES  
**St. Columbkil Cemetery:** Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 11am  
**St. Bridget's Cemetery:** Saturday, August 30<sup>th</sup> @ 11am  
**St. John's Cemetery:** Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup> @ 11am

NOTICE  
Fr. Anthony is on vacation for the month of July. Please join us in praying for his safe, blessed, and rejuvenating time away!

PARISH FEATURE & FOCUS

Genesis 18:20–32; Colossians 2:12–14; Luke 11:1–13  
Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,  
**Today's readings speak to the heart of our faith, prayer, persistence, and the generous mercy of God.** But let's be honest, sometimes, we pray like we are dialing a customer service line. "Press 1 for healing, 2 for help, and 3 if you are feeling abandoned!" But God is not some heavenly operator on hold. He is a loving Father waiting for us to speak.  
**In the first reading from Genesis,** Abraham plays the role of a divine negotiator, pleading with God to spare Sodom. He dares to bargain, from fifty down to ten righteous people. God listens each time without anger or offense. That's our God, slow to anger, rich in mercy, and open to dialogue. Abraham reminds us: if you are going to talk to God, be bold! God's patience is bigger than our fears.  
**In the Gospel, Jesus teaches the disciples how to pray,** not with complicated words, but with trust and intimacy: "Our Father..." Not a distant king, but a caring parent. Then Jesus adds humor and logic, if even a sleepy neighbor or flawed parent responds to persistent requests, how much more will our Perfect Father in heaven?  
**Jesus says, "Ask, and it will be given; seek, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened"** (Luke 11:9). God is not bothered by our prayers, He welcomes them. He wants us to trust Him like children who believe their parents are listening.  
**Finally, St. Paul reminds us** in Colossians that through Christ, "God forgave us all our trespasses" (Colossians 2:13). Not some, *all*. The slate is clean; the debt is cancelled. And that's Good News!  
**So, keep asking. Keep seeking. Keep knocking.** And don't worry, God never sleeps, and He doesn't need coffee to pay attention!

PRAYERS

Please remember the sick in your prayers, including Maureen Czop, Marjorie Facette, Heather Luft, Frank Hagan, Scotty Rose, Des McKenna, Hugh McKenna, Tony Irvin, Heather Molyneaux, Claudette Timmerman, & Helen Cameron.  
Please remember those who have recently died in your prayers. Jesus, I trust in You.  
**In need of prayer?** Connect with our strong prayer warriors, Father Charles, Father Anthony, 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

✠ **THIS WEEKEND! Foy Hall Garage Sale:** The Foy Hall Garage Sale is now open every Friday and Saturday throughout the summer, 10am-2:30pm! Come check out the great deals! We have a wide variety of items! Jewelry, toys, all sizes of clothing, books and so much

more!  
✠ **Jubilee 2025 Pilgrimage:** 151st Annual Pilgrimage to Ste-Anne-de-Beaupré and Our Lady of the Cape. **August 9–10, 2025.** For more information about departures from your Archdiocese, please see posters and contact Mike Budge at 613-224-8110 or by email at mikebudge2021@gmail.com.  
✠ **125th Anniversary Celebration, Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church:** 690 Hwy 15, Lombardy, **Sunday, August 10, 2025. Anniversary Mass, 1 pm,** with Archbishop Michael Mulhall presiding; **Outdoor Reception** with lunch and fellowship, **2-3 pm.** Everyone is cordially invited. We would be delighted to have you join us for this special occasion. For details, contact: stfrancisdesales@archkingston.ca or (613) 283-0220.  
✠ **68<sup>th</sup> Our Lady of Knock Pilgrimage at Mayo, Quebec:** See posters and Flocknote for details.  
✠ **St. Francis de Sales-Blessed Sacrament Jubilee Year of Hope Pilgrimage:** St. Joseph's Oratory (Montreal), Ste. Anne-de-Beaupre (Quebec), Cap-de-la-Madaleine (Quebec), and Notre Dame Basilica (Quebec City). **September 16-18, 2025.** See posters in church, and Flocknote for more details.

SACRAMENTS

Baptismal Congratulations!

We welcome **Adelyn Joynt & Alexander Tait** into the Catholic Church through Baptism. We congratulate their parents and commend them for their commitment to raising their children in the Catholic faith. May God abundantly bless their families!

Congratulations!

**Francois Coulombe & Sandra Stewart**  
Were married last week at St. John's Church. We ask God's blessing upon them for a lifetime of joy together!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual Parish Golf Tournament

Registration is now open for the 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Parish Golf Tournament **SUNDAY AUGUST 17<sup>th</sup>** at MAPLEVIEW.  
**Shotgun Start 2:30 PM**  
**Cocktails 5:00 PM**  
**BBQ Dinner 5:30 PM at the Golf Club**  
\$70 per person, includes 9 holes of golf with cart, dinner and prizes (inquire about reduced fee if you are a Mapleview member).  
Register as a single, couple, or as a team foursome; bring your friends and relatives.  
Please pay \$70 per person by E-transfer to andywilliamson@shaw.ca and send separate email with your name(s).

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

The bulletins for the weekends of August 10th-17th will be combined into a single bulletin. Kindly have your submissions for this 2-week bulletin in by Thursday, August 7<sup>th</sup> @ 9am. Thank you!

Update to Prayers for the Sick

Beginning this weekend, names that have been submitted for the *Prayers of the Faithful*, bulletin, and Flocknote have been removed if submitted over 1 month ago. Going forward, all names will be kept on the prayer list for 1 month. After that time, they will be removed unless renewed. If you would like a name to remain or be re-added, please contact the parish office by phone or email. Please note: once a name is removed, it will continue to be remembered in our priests' personal prayers. Thank you for helping to keep our prayer list current.

Missing Baby Bottles

Please return your Birthright baby bottles ASAP. We are still missing 11 bottles. Thank you!

UPCOMING MEETINGS

[St John Parish Meeting Place, 15 Church St, Perth]

\*Notice: 15 Church Street will be cleaned every Wednesday between 1-3pm. Please do not book any meetings during this time.

CWL Monthly Meeting <b>*Meetings on hold until fall</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday of each Month @ 7pm
Monday Bible Study Group – Contact Jenny Salte for details.	Mondays @ 10am
Parish Council Monthly Meeting <b>*Meetings on hold until fall</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month @ 6:30pm
Life Matters Monthly Meeting	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month @ 10am
Knights of Columbus Monthly Meeting	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month @ 7pm
Pastoral Care Committee Meeting	TBD
Wednesday Bible Study Group – Contact Jenny Salte for details.	Wednesdays @ 7pm
St. John's Holy Face Group Monthly Meeting	Last Thursday of each month, after the noon Mass
Thursday Bible Study Group – Contact Evelyn Goodfellow for details.	Thursdays @ 1pm
Sunday Mass 11am Choir	Thursdays @ 7pm & Sundays @ 10:15am
St. John's Movie Club	<b>Fri., Aug.1<sup>st</sup> @ 7pm</b>
Life Matters Men's Group – Contact Dave Lapointe for details.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month
Saturday Mass 5:00pm Choir	Saturdays @ 4:45pm

St. John's Holy Face Group - July

St. John's Holy Face Group will be holding their monthly gathering on **Thursday, July 31<sup>st</sup>**, following the noon Mass. All are welcome to join us. For more information, please call Elaine, 613-267-1023.

St. John's Movie Club

The St. John's Movie Club is holding its next meeting on **Friday, August 1st, at 7pm**, at 15 Church St. For more information, contact: qferrant@protonmail.com, or adellazazzera@gmail.com.