

# Saint John Bosco Parish



## WELCOME to St. John Bosco Parish!

We are happy to have you with us and would like to extend a warm welcome to all of our visitors today. If you are staying with us, please consider filling out a registration form found in the church atrium and submit it to our church office. Want to become actively involved in this wonderful parish? View our website or contact our church office to find out more information about the various programs and ministries we have in our parish. **We encourage your active participation!**

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**MASS : Saturday at 5:15pm and Sunday at 9:30am  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday at 9:00am**

Baptism: By appointment with the parish priest

First Communion, Confirmation, Communion for the infirmed, and the Anointing of the Sick: Please contact the parish office.

Marriage: Contact the parish priest at least six (6) months before the proposed date of marriage.

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## Grocery Certificates

Available at the Parish  
Office during the week.

## Mission Statement

St. John Bosco Parish is a faith community united to the Body of Christ by the common bond of Baptism and rooted in the Roman Catholic tradition. We gather for celebrating the Eucharist and all other Sacraments, fellowship, and our gifts. We proclaim the Gospel in ministry and in community.



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## Office Hours

Monday- Friday: 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

## TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

**SCRIPTURE MESSAGE:** Today's Scripture readings offer us a standing invitation to the everlasting joy of the *Heavenly Banquet* and a loving warning to stay ready always for this *Heavenly banquet* by constantly wearing the *wedding garment*, *i.e.*, remaining in a state of grace by avoiding sins and by doing good. In the **first reading**, Isaiah describes the Messianic banquet on the Lord's mountain in the Holy City of Jerusalem, which Yahweh is preparing for His people. The "Good News" is that it is a great feast of "*rich food and choice wines*." But, for the children of Israel, the "bad news" is that Yahweh invites all people, including Gentiles, to the banquet. In the **second reading**, St. Paul advises the Philippians to put their trust in the power and goodness of a providing God, Who, in Jesus, has given His Church everything His followers will need to participate in the Heavenly Banquet. In today's **Gospel**, by telling an allegorical parable of judgment in the Temple of Jerusalem two days before his arrest, Jesus accuses the Jewish religious and civil leaders of rejecting God's invitation to the Heavenly Banquet given to them through God's Own Son, Himself. They have rejected the invitation by not listening to the Good News preached by Jesus and by not reforming their lives. This invitation was repeatedly extended to Israel through the prophets, including John the Baptist. But the leadership contemporary with Jesus rejected the reality that Jesus was the fulfillment of all prophecy, refused to accept God's invitation to righteous living given through John the Baptist and through Jesus, and now planned to kill God's own Son, Jesus. Hence, God is inviting the sinners and Gentiles to His banquet, and that is why Jesus is keeping the company of sinners. **Life messages:** We need to keep wearing the wedding garment of holiness and righteousness, the state of grace, all the time, do good for everyone, and appreciate and receive God's graces in the Church: We received the "*wedding garment*" of sanctifying grace in Baptism; the other Sacraments provide the additional graces we need to retain it. Our participation in the Eucharistic celebration and in personal and family prayers helps us to recharge our spiritual batteries and enables us to lead Spirit-filled, prayerful lives, doing good for all. Jesus nourishes us in the Church through the proclamation of word of God and through His Body and Blood offered to us as spiritual Food and Drink in Holy Communion. We need to participate in the Eucharistic banquet with proper preparation by repenting of our sins and by actively participating in the prayers and singing during the Holy Mass.

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY (October 22, 2023):** The second last Sunday during October is known as World Mission Sunday. Catholics throughout the world are invited to pray for and give to the Pontifical Missions Society. Pastors and pastoral workers are invited to encourage among all the people of God a missionary spirit, to promote missionary vocations and to collaborate spiritually and materially in the Church's mission work, including support for all the dioceses in our country's northern regions.

**PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:** Please pray for: Valerie Cooper, Mary Lambert, Norma Savage, Heidi Reid, Gerald Moriarty, Leone McIntyre, Justin Lefave, Ann Ruigrok, Daniel Bellemore, Laurie Lirette, Ursula Thompson, Betty DeKleine, Donna Brewer, Nellie Kester, Nila Suan, Lucille Paolini, Peter Vander Linden, Joseph O'Grady, and Father Liam Tallon.

**POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER: For the Synod.** We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

<b>MASS SCHEDULE</b> October 14 – October 22, 2023		
Saturday, October 14	5:15 p.m.	Our Parishioners
Sunday, October 15	9:30 a.m.	Ralph O'Brien
Tuesday, October 17	6:30 p.m.	Unannounced Mass
Wednesday, October 18	9:00 a.m.	Irene and Pat Leeder
	9:30 a.m.	ADORATION
Thursday, October 19	9:00 a.m.	Matthew Diotte and Paul DiLosa
Friday, October 20	10:30 a.m.	BRIDLEWOOD Hugh David Nolan
Saturday, October 21	5:15 p.m.	Mary Kenney
Sunday, October 22	9:30 a.m.	Our Parishioners
<b>The Sanctuary Candle burns this week for: Int. of the Marchand Family</b>		

**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL (SSVP):** SSVP – St. Francis Conference can now accept donations by e-transfers to the following email address: [ssvpstfrancisbrockville@gmail.com](mailto:ssvpstfrancisbrockville@gmail.com). Please include your name and address for receipt purposes.

**MONTH OF OCTOBER:** The month of October is dedicated to Mother Mary and the tradition of praying the Rosary. We will have the opportunity to pray the Rosary before the weekend Mass during the month of October. **We will begin at 4:50pm on Saturday and 9:10am on Sunday morning.**

**CONGRATULATIONS:** and prayerful best wishes to Donovan James Rooney who is being received into baptism on **October 14, 2023** and his parents Liam Rooney and Emily Bertrand. May God continue to bless you as you teach your child to grow in faith.

***"Invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet."  
Matthew 22.1***

**OCTOBER 15, 2023**

<i>MASS TIMES</i>	<i>USHERS</i>	<i>LECTOR</i>	<i>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER</i>	<i>WELCOME DESK</i>
Saturday, October 14 5:15 p.m.	Michel LaBonté	Sylvia Shackles	Melinda Condon	Melinda Condon
Sunday, October 15 9:30 a.m.	Art Psiuk	Theresa Iddon	Joan Murray	Paulette Psiuk
Saturday, October 21 5:15 p.m.	Kevin Frech	Rick Fraser	Melinda Condon	Melinda Condon
Sunday, October 22 9:30 a.m.	Lloyd Clayton	Johanne Cardinal & Emily Heffernan	Jill Heffernan	Jill Heffernan

**FINANCIAL UPDATE:**

**Operating Weekly Target: \$3500**

October 8, 2023: \$2663

*Thank you to all for your generous ongoing donations.*

**CALENDAR OF UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>EVENT</b>
Saturday, October 14	3:00 p.m.	Baptism- Donovan Rooney
Tuesday, October 17	7:00 p.m.	CWL meeting
Sunday, October 22	11:00 a.m.	Knights of Columbus Initiation Ceremony

**HARVEST SUPPER NOVEMBER 12, 2023 4-6:00 P.M.:**

We are pleased to have the Harvest Supper return to St. John Bosco Parish this year. **This year, the Harvest Supper will be take out ONLY.** The dinner menu will be Ham, scalloped potatoes, vegetable, salad, bun and pie, and the cost will be \$15. Tickets must be purchased in advanced and will be sold at the office during the week and after Mass on the weekends. We are looking for volunteers to help with cooking, baking and on the day of the event. ***We still need some hams, scalloped potatoes and cabbage salad. Please sign up at the back table in the atrium.***

**PARISH SOCIAL:** On **Sunday October 29<sup>th</sup>** after the 9:30a.m Mass, our Parish Council will be hosting a social. Come and enjoy some coffee and some treats and visit with your fellow parishioners.

**FAITH NIGHT:** **\*\* Please note the change in date!** Please join us for Faith Night on **Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 6:30pm at St. John Bosco Parish.** Please join us to learn more about your faith and fellowship with others. Food and refreshments served.

**WORLD FOOD DAY OCTOBER 16:** A World Food Day has been promoted by the Food and Agriculture Organization since 1981. The Church is concerned about the issue of hunger in the world, remember the words of the Son of Man on the last judgment of the nations, "...I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you have me something to drink..." Mt. 25.35

**THE REJECTED CORNERSTONE:** There was a legend, well-known in New Testament times, that in the building of God's Temple by Solomon, most of the stones were of the same size and shape. One stone arrived, however, that was different from the others. The builders took one look at it and said, "This will not do," and sent it rolling down into the valley of Kedron below. The years passed and the great Temple was nearing completion, and the builders sent a message to the stonecutters to send the chief cornerstone that the structure might be complete. The cutters replied that they had sent the stone years before. Then someone remembered the stone that was so different from all the rest that it somehow did not seem to belong. They realized that they had thrown away the cornerstone. They hurried into the valley to retrieve it. Finally, from under vines and debris, they recovered it and with great effort rolled it up the hill and put it in place so that the great Temple would be complete: the stone that had been rejected had become the chief cornerstone. — Jesus, who had been rejected by the "builders" (the religious leadership of the Chosen People) now anchors his Church and reigns at the right hand of the Father. (<https://frtonyshomilies.com/>).

**JOKE OF THE WEEK:** Dear Lord, so far today I've done all right. I haven't gossiped, haven't lost my temper, and haven't been greedy, grumpy, nasty, selfish, or overindulgent. I'm very thankful for that. But in a few minutes, Lord, I'm going to get out of bed, and from then on, I'm probably going to need a lot more help. Amen

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