

# Saint John Bosco Parish



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## Grocery Certificates

Available before and after weekend Masses and 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.

## 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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Custodian: Roger Wooller

Weekend Masses: Saturday 5:15 p.m. Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

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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## Office Hours

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

## THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

**SCRIPTURE MESSAGE:** This penultimate Sunday of the liturgical year reminds us not only of the end of the liturgical year but also of the end of all things and of the preparations we need to make to reach Heaven. The main theme of the three readings is an invitation to live in such a way that we make the best use of the talents God has given us, so that at the hour of our death our Lord will say: *“Well done, my good and faithful servant!... Come and share the joy of your master”* Matthew 25: 21). The Scripture lessons: The First Reading suggests that we should be as diligent and industrious as a loyal and faithful wife, in the use of our God-given gifts and talents with *“the fear of the Lord.”* Unlike the one-talent man, she takes her gifts and *“brings forth good, not evil”*; she *“reaches her hands to the poor and extends her arms to the needy.”* In today’s Responsorial Psalm, Ps 128, the Psalmist echoes the concept of the blessedness of the faithful servant of the Lord. The Psalm affirms that the fear of the Lord is the key to human happiness and success. In the Second Reading, Paul advises us to keep awake and be sober, encouraging and building each other up as we wait for the “Day of the Lord.” He challenges the Thessalonians to turn fear of the Lord into positive, constructive and life-affirming action. Today’s Gospel challenges us to ask the questions: Are we using our talents and gifts primarily to serve God? Are we doing everything we can to carry out God’s will? The parable of the talents challenges us to do something positive, constructive and life-affirming with our talents here and now. Life messages: 1) We need to trust God enough to make use of the gifts and abilities we have been given. We may be especially talented in teaching children or cooking meals or repairing homes or programming computers. So, we should ask ourselves how we are using our particular gifts in the service of our Christian community and the wider society. 2) We need to “trade” with our talent of Christian Faith: All of us in the Church today have received at least one talent namely, the gift of Faith. Our responsibility is not just to preserve and “keep” the Faith, but to work with it. We need to promote and add value to Faith by living it out. The way to preserve the Faith, or any other talent that God has given us, is to put it to work and make it bear fruit.

**PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:** Please pray for: Fr. Martin, Hilda Armstrong, Gerard Parker, Valerie Cooper, Mary Lambert, Denis & Norma Savage, Heidi Reid, Gerald Moriarty, Leone McIntyre, Justin Lefave, Ann Ruigrok, Maurice & Madeleine Belec, Margaret Smith, Brian Brougham, Laurie Lirette, Shelley McLaren, Ursula Thompson, Ellen Hart, Brian Fraser, Ros Crooks, Sean O’Connell, Mary Ellen Major and Kerry & Steve Walsh.

**WORLD DAY OF THE POOR – November 15, 2020:** In 2017, Pope Francis instituted the World Day of the Poor so that “throughout the world Christian Communities can become an ever greater sign of Christ’s charity for the least and those most in need.”

<b>MASS SCHEDULE</b> <b>November 14 - 22, 2020</b>		
<b>Saturday, November 14</b>	5:15 p.m.	Jean Noel
<b>Sunday, November 15</b>	9:30 a.m.	Our Parishioners
<b>Tuesday, November 17</b>	9:30 a.m.	Helen Truesdell
<b>Wednesday, November 18</b>	9:30 a.m.	Anne Mary Ryan
<b>Thursday, November 19</b>	9:30 a.m.	Intentions of the Black Family
<b>Friday, November 20</b>	9:30 a.m.	Joan Davison & Lois Duffy
<b>Saturday, November 21</b>	5:15 p.m.	Deceased members of Grant and MacDonald Families
<b>Sunday, November 22</b>	9:30 a.m.	Our Parishioners
<b>Sanctuary Candle the week of November 15: Anna Hergott</b>		

**FINANCIAL UPDATE: Weekly target \$ 3500.00**

November 8, 2020 – Offertory: \$ 4022.15  
Priests’ Retirement Fund:\$1900.00

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE:**

The last week of the Liturgical Year (November 21/22, 2020) is devoted to eschatological themes: Christ the King will restore all creation and restore his kingdom to the Father. The risen people of God will rejoice in a new heaven and a new earth. “There, with the whole of creation, freed from the corruption of sin and death, may we glorify you through Christ our Lord.” (EP IV)

**HOLY HOUR:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Adoration will be held every **First Friday of the Month at 8:30am to 9:30am.** The next one will be Friday December 4, 2020 at 8:30am.

**PRIESTS’ RETIREMENT FUND:** All donations to the Priests’ Retirement Fund must be received in the parish office by **December 6.**

*“You have been trustworthy in a few things. I will put you in charge of many things.” Matthew 25.14*

**November 15, 2020**

<b>MASS TIMES</b>	<b>USHERS</b>	<b>LECTOR</b>	<b>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER</b>	<b>WELCOME DESK</b>	<b>WASHROOMS</b>
Saturday, November 14 5:15 p.m.	Michel LaBonte and Scott MacDermott	Sylvia Shackles	Melinda Condon	Carol Ravnaas	Karen and Kevin Frech
Sunday, November 15 9:30 a.m.	Art Psiuk and John McGeough	Johanne Cardinal	Karen Whalen	Paulette Psiuk	Liam Heffernan

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Saturday, November 21 5:15 p.m.	Michel LaBonte and Scott MacDermott	Mary MacDermott	Carol Ravnaas	Carol Ravnaas	Josie Bracamonte
Sunday, November 22 9:30 a.m.	Lloyd Clayton and Art Psiuk	Lise Lalonde-Matte	Maureen Laurin	Noreen Shepherd	Liam Heffernan

**2020-2021 SUNDAY MISSALS:** Missals are now available. You can purchase one from the front desk at Mass if you have *exact change* or from the Parish office during the week. Cost is \$4.00. At this time we don't have the Youth Missals but once we receive them, we will let you know.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS AND SPIRITUAL INQUIRY:** Are you someone or do you know someone who has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic, or was baptized Catholic as a child but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist? Even Catholics who are practicing their faith are encouraged to join if they desire to refresh their faith. Please call the office 613-342-5095 for more information.

**CONFIRMATION:** We received permission to reschedule Confirmation for the candidates who were to be Confirmed in Spring of 2020. Confirmation will be on **Sunday January 17, 2021 at 2pm**. If your child was enrolled in the spring and you wish to continue with this Sacrament please let the office know by email [sjbparish@bellnet.ca](mailto:sjbparish@bellnet.ca). If your child is in grade two and grade six this year, we will be doing a new group in the New Year and will let you know when we have dates set. Thank you for your patience.

**SCREENING COMMITTEE:** We have a few people who have not dropped off their Offence Declaration, please do so as soon as possible. If you need a paper copy, please stop by the office, we have many available and it only takes a minute to fill out.

**CHRISTMAS RESERVATIONS:** Due to current restrictions, we have made the decisions to ask people to reserve your spot for Christmas Mass. There will be **Mass at 5pm and 7:30pm on December 24th. On December 25<sup>th</sup>, Mass will be at 9:30am**. This will allow us to make sure no one will be turned away. Please call Jill at the Parish office 613-342-5095 or email [sjbparish@bellnet.ca](mailto:sjbparish@bellnet.ca). If you are able to volunteer in any capacity please let us know as well.

**CWL & KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** There will be a Mass for deceased members of CWL and Knights of Columbus on **Wednesday November 25, 2020 at 9:30am**.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS ASSISTANCE:** Due to the CoVid-19 situation in Brockville, the St Francis Conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul has had to make changes to our Christmas Assistance program. We are unable to provide either gifts or food items to the needy. However, all is not lost and we have decided to provide Walmart gift cards to those families who are in need of Christmas assistance. We are budgeting \$70.00 per adult and \$35.00 per child to a maximum of \$250 per family. Any and all financial assistance from our parishioners, either cash, cheque, or Walmart gift cards would be greatly appreciated.

**JOKE OF THE WEEK:** A pig and a chicken were walking by a church where a charity event was taking place. Getting caught up in the atmosphere, the pig suggested to the chicken that they each make an offering. "Great idea!" the chicken replied. "Let's offer them ham and eggs!" "Not so fast," said the pig. "For you, that's an offering. For me, it's a sacrifice."

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