



NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST – 24 JUNE 2018

*“His name is John...
The child grew and became strong in spirit...”*

(Today's Readings: Isaiah 49:1-6; Acts 13:22-26; Luke 1:57-66, 80)

Announced Mass intentions

- Sat., June 23 5:00PM Mass – Marc Gardner+
- Sun., June 24 **NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST**
8:00AM Mass – In Thanksgiving
9:30AM Mass – Raulyn Mathews+
Zenette Ablang+
Sandro+
- 11:15AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
NO MASS
- Mon., June 25
- Tues., June 26 9:30AM Mass celebrated with Holy Cross
School for their Year End Celebration
Holy Family Prayer Group
- Wed., June 27 12:15PM Mass – Fr. Gabriel Cillo (Ivg)
- Thurs., June 28 10:00AM Communion Service held at
Windsor Park Manor
12:15PM Mass – Mary Scott (Ivg)
- Fri., June 29 12:15PM Mass – Roger Patry+
Anne Fougere (Ivg)
Roger Milan+
- Sat., June 30 5:00PM **Youth Mass**
Gertrude Daynard+
- Sun., July 01 **13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
9:30AM Mass – Adele Costanza (Ivg)
11:15AM Mass – Alfredo Guzzo+

Events Calendar ...

- Sat., June 23 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
- Sun., June 24 9:30AM Last Children's Liturgy
12:30PM Baptism – Church
12:30PM **PARISH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)** – Hall
Strawberry Sunday after the 8 & 9:30 morning Masses
- Tues., June 26 6:30PM Finance – Rm. A
8:00PM A.A. - Hall
- Wed., June 27 6:30PM Parish Pastoral Council – Rm. A
7:30PM Choir (9:30) practice – Church
- Thurs., June 28 7:00PM Choir (11:15) practice – Church
- Sat., June 30 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A

COLLECTION REPORT

10 June 2018 – \$3,992.25 (env) / \$752.40 (loose)
~ **Thank you for your generosity and support** ~

Pastor's Column...

DO NOT WALK ALONE

In this Jubilee year of Holy Cross, we are planning different celebrations to mark the occasion as a community of love and fellowship. I greatly appreciate the hard work and dedication of different committees and planning groups. I would like to remind all members of our parish that we are all called to walk together in fellowship sharing our blessings with one another. I would like to highlight the reflection of Pope Francis on the need to walk as a community. *“Walking is an art: if we are always in a hurry, we tire and cannot reach our destination, the destination of our journey. Yet if we stop and do not move, we also fail to reach our destination. Walking is precisely the art of looking to the horizon, thinking about where I want to go, and also coping with the weariness that comes from the walking. Moreover, the way is often hard going: it is not easy. Yet always keep this in your thoughts: do not be afraid of falling. In the art of walking, it is not falling that matters, but not “staying fallen”. Get up quickly, immediately, and continue to go on.... But also, it is terrible to walk alone, terrible and tedious. Walking in community, with friends, with those who love us: this helps us; it helps us to arrive precisely at the destination where we must arrive.”*

Let us walk together as pilgrims of hope knowing that we have not yet reached our final destination.

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**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS:** On behalf of the parishioners, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to the outgoing Chair of Parish Pastoral Council, **Tom Flynn**, for his excellent leadership and contribution for the growth of our faith community. As the Chair of PPC, he led the council right from the front and my sincere appreciation for his time and talent. We would also like to thank **Caje Rodrigues** and **Dina Fonda**, who served as members of the Council.

Welcome on board **Fran Hadley**, our new Parish Pastoral Council Chair and our new Parish Council Members, **Ron Salvador**, **Mina Hadad** and **Giles Leo**.

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THANK YOU to Fran Hadley and the Club 55 for organizing the Picnic to Morrisburg. I was glad to hear how our seniors enjoyed the lunch and the show, *“It's Your Funeral.”* Keep up the spirit of seniors!!

God bless,
Fr. Lukose

JUBILEE YEAR EVENT: MARK YOUR CALENDARS: International Grandparents Day is celebrated on September 09 and for our Jubilee Year, we will have a special program and blessing on Sunday, September 09 at the 9:30 am Mass to honour all Grandparents. In preparation for this event, we are inviting Grandparents (and/or parents) to take pictures of their grandchildren and these photos will be posted on our Holy Cross "Grandparents' Blessings" Jubilee Tree of Life. We will be collecting all the pictures after all Masses on August 25/26. Have a great summer, and **we look forward to seeing you on Sunday, September 09 at our 9:30 a.m. Mass to celebrate Grandparents' Day with us.**

JUBILEE FLASHBACK: From the bulletin of December 4, 1977: "New microphone here experimentally: Word communicated at one place, Cantor at other, to distinguish roles. \$2,700 given to Organ Fund in Nov. with only about \$8000 to go. Work has started at St. Hyacinthe factory."

Parish News and Community Life...



CHILDREN'S LITURGY is now over for the summer months. We would like to extend a special thank you to Fr. Lukose for his support and guidance and to our leaders for doing an awesome job and to you parents for bringing your children every Sunday.

We wish all the children and their families a happy and safe summer. We look forward to seeing you in September when we resume.

FROM THE POTATO PEELERS OF OTTAWA FOYERS PARTAGE: We've enjoyed another successful year at Holy Cross. A **SPECIAL THANK YOU** to Fr. Lukose for allowing us to use this welcoming space; to our wonderful volunteers who each week gives their warm support, and to Mr. Bouchard at the Country Grocer for the bags of potatoes which are peeled each week for the Shepherds of Good Hope. We are returning on September 10 and we always welcome volunteers. If you can help for an hour or so any Monday afternoon, please call Diana at 613-744-6315. Have a great summer!

PASTORAL CARE

OUR PASTORAL CARE MEMBERS are available to visit and/or bring Holy Communion to the sick, house-bound, lonely, or bereaved. Call Pat Jackson at 613-421-0091.

Please contact our Chair, Myrnah Vullings at 613-737-0755 if you are interested in being a member of the Pastoral Care Team.

Social Justice...

INDIGENOUS INITIATIVES: We are very happy to report that parishioners have already contributed over \$2000 towards our **Parish Jubilee Outreach Project: In Faith and Friendship**. We hope to raise the \$20,000 required as quickly as possible so that the parishioners of St. Francis Xavier Parish in Attawapiskat can get started on creating and outfitting their Youth Centre Room during the summer and

early fall. Please pick up a Special Envelope on the Social Justice Table to make your contribution

CARE FOR CREATION: Are you interested in helping our parish show care for God's Creation? Do you share the concerns of scientists regarding climate change and pollution? Your ideas and your help can make a difference. If you wish to help our parish, contact John Dorner at 613-739-0963 or jdorner@archottawa.ca.

Other interests...

Please see **FRIDAY FAX** posted on the bulletin board at the entrance of the Church.

MONTHLY PRO-LIFE MASS: To pray for the establishment of a Pro-life Centre in Ottawa. Everyone welcome. Holy Redeemer Parish, 44 Rothesay Dr., Kanata, **Saturday, June 30 at 10 a.m.**; Our Lady of Fatima Parish, 153 Woodroffe Ave., **Saturday, July 28 at 9 a.m.**; and St. Patrick Parish, Fallowfield, 15 Steeple Hill Cres., **Saturday, August 18 at 10 a.m.** For more information call 613-831-2515 or wandawoj@rogers.com.

NOTRE DAME CATHEDRAL GUIDED TOURS: Free guided tours of the Cathedral during the summer months. The schedule of guided tours can be found at notredameottawa.com. Info: info@notredameottawa.com or 613-241-7496.

80th ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF ST. ANN, CORMAC: Guest Homilist: Father Denis Lemieux. **Sunday, July 29.** For details: visit the website: The Annual Pilgrimage to the Shrine of St. Ann - Cormac Pilgrimage.

Food For Thought †

"If God send you many sufferings, it is a sign that he has great plans for you and certainly wants to make you a saint." (St. Ignatius of Loyola)

Have you considered a gift in your WILL to provide for the faith life of future generations? IN YOUR GENEROSITY, please consider a donation or bequest to Holy Cross Parish.

PLEASE NOTE: We will be publishing **ONLY ONE BULLETIN** for July (effective July 01) and one bulletin for August (effective August 04). Our regular weekly bulletin will resume on the weekend of August 25/26. **Announced Mass Intentions**, as well as **bulletin submissions** for the **month of July** must be in by **Tuesday, June 26 by 12 noon** and for the **month of August submissions** must be in by **Tuesday, July 31 by 12 noon**, respectively, to be included in the bulletin.

NOTE: For the months of July and August, the **office hours** published in the front of our bulletin have been adjusted for the summer as well as to accommodate vacations etc. Please call first to ensure the office will be open.