

# St. John Brébeuf Parish & St. Peter's Mission

## SUNDAY JANUARY 22, 2023

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME • SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD • WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

### WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS

|    |          |            |   |
|----|----------|------------|---|
| 21 | Saturday | 5:00 p.m.  | For the Living and Deceased Members of the Parish |
| 22 | Sunday   | 9:15 a.m.  | For the Living and Deceased Members of the Parish |
|    |          | 11:00 a.m. | St. Peter's, Oustic                               |
|    |          |            | For the Living and Deceased Members of the Parish |

### Schedule of Masses for Tuesday January 24<sup>th</sup> to Sunday January 29<sup>th</sup>

|    |           |            |   |
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| 24 | Tuesday   | 7:00 p.m.  | For a Special Intention                           |
| 25 | Wednesday | 9:15 a.m.  | A.I.D.  |
| 26 | Thursday  | 6:00 p.m.  | Eucharistic Adoration                             |
|    |           | 7:00 p.m.  | For a Special Intention                           |
| 27 | Friday    | 9:15 a.m.  | A.I.D.  |
| 28 | Saturday  | 5:00 p.m.  | For the Living and Deceased Members of the Parish |
| 29 | Sunday    | 9:00 a.m.  | For the Living and Deceased Members of the Parish |
|    |           | 11:00 a.m. | St. Peter's, Oustic                               |
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**BIBLE SUNDAY**  
3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



THE SAINT JOHN'S BIBLE

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Today marks the celebration of Bible Sunday in the Diocese of Hamilton. At the conclusion of the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis encouraged every Christian community to choose one Sunday a year to renew its efforts to make the Sacred Scriptures better known and widely diffused. Our celebration of Bible Sunday is a call to listen to how the Bible speaks in our hearts and within our communities of faith.

The Pastoral Offices of the Diocese of Hamilton have prepared a wide variety of resources for youth and adults:

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks>

### PRAYER

Blessed are you, Lord God, creator of heaven and earth, for your Word made flesh: Jesus Christ.

We praise and thank you for your Word recorded in the Bible and faithfully proclaimed in the assembly of your holy people.

May our hearts and minds be always open to welcome your life-giving Word.

May your Word nourish our faith, enliven our hope, and strengthen us in the bond of love.

May we carry your word with us each day as we seek to serve you in our brothers and sisters.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#TheBibleSpeaks  
#WeListen  
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### WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY – JANUARY 18-25

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be celebrated January 18 to 25. Inaugurated in 1908, the event is now celebrated around the world on an annual basis. The theme for this year is “Do good, seek justice” (Isaiah 1:7). The materials for prayer and reflection have been prepared by the Minnesota Council of Churches (USA), in the aftermath of the 2020 extrajudicial killing of George Floyd and the trial of the police officer responsible. As local Christian communities sought to respond to the anguish of these events, they also recognized their own historical complicity in perpetuating racial injustice. Inasmuch as the Church is summoned to be the sign and instrument of the unity God desires for the whole of His creation (cf. Lumen gentium, 1), the continued divisions between Christians constitute a scandal: we are thus called to repent of our disunity and work together for reconciliation among all peoples.

The Vatican's Dicastery for Promoting Christian Unity – previously named the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity – and the Canadian Council of Churches (CCC) have uploaded resources to aid the faithful in participating in this act of solidarity: • Dicastery for Promoting Christian Unity resources: <http://www.christianunity.va/content/unitacristiani/en/news/2022/semaine-de-priere-pour-l-unite-des-chretiens-2023.html> • CCC resources: <https://www.weekofprayer.ca/2023-wpcu-resources>

### SHINE A LIGHT, GUELPH & AREA RIGHT TO LIFE – SATURDAY JANUARY 28, 2023 – 7-8 PM

Front of Guelph City Hall, 1 Carden St., Guelph, ON

Gather with others to pray and shine a light on the impact of abortion in Canada. On the anniversary of the 1988 Supreme Court decision that left preborn children with no protection in Canada, there will be a pro-life display in front of Guelph City Hall (1 Carden St.) showing the number of abortions that have happened in Canada. Registration is not required but is appreciated. Contact the GARTL office to let us know you will be attending. Call 519-836-6311 or email [info@guelphforlife.com](mailto:info@guelphforlife.com).

### KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION - WELLINGTON CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD (WCDSB)

The WCDSB is now accepting registrations for kindergarten. To be eligible, your child must be four years of age on or before Dec. 31, 2023, to attend Year 1 or must be five years of age on or before Dec. 31, 2023, to attend Year 2. You will require the following documents: child's birth certificate, parent or child's Baptismal certificate, proof of tax support for families new to the system (e.g., most recent tax bill), proof of address (e.g., government document, mortgage or rental agreement, hydro bill, credit card statement), proper immigration documentation, and if applicable, custody documents. Those currently attending a WCDSB Year 1 program are \*not\* required to register for Year 2.

**ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED!** Would your child like to serve the Church and become a member of the Altar Serving Ministry at St. John Brébeuf Parish? Calling all children, from Grade 3 and older, to complete the Altar Server Registration form! Forms are available in the foyer of the Church or via the Parish Office.

A great way for your child to learn more about the faith!

**Are you interested in serving the Church through one of the Ministries?**

**Contact the Parish Office to find out how you can get involved!**

### JANUARY 29, 2023 – FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

First Reading: Zephaniah 2.3; 3.12-13; Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 146; Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1.26-31; Gospel Acclamation: Matthew 5.12; Gospel: Matthew 5.1-12

### DIOCESE OF HAMILTON – SERRA CLUB

“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” Are you willing to proclaim the coming of the kingdom as a priest, deacon, brother or sister or a consecrated virgin? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at (905) 528-7988.

Email: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com) and visit <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

### PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS THROUGHOUT OUR DIOCESE

|            |                               |            |                             |
|------------|-------------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|
| January 23 | Rev. Francisco Sordo          | January 26 | Rev. Paul M. Vellimoozhayil |
| January 24 | Rev. Peter Nwachukwu, OCD     | January 27 | Rev. Mariusz Durbajlo       |
| January 25 | Carmelites of Mary Immaculate | January 28 | St. Thomas Aquinas          |

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A Catholic parish was established in 1873 for the Townships of Erin and Eramosa. IN 1959, Bishop Ryan asked the Jesuits to establish a mission in Erin. Masses were said at the Legion Hall until the Church was opened in 1965, with Jesuit Father Frederick Elliott serving as the pastor until 1981. Since then, the parish has had the following pastors: Father Edward Grace OSA, 1981-1986; Father Charles Lagan SFM, 1986 to 1990; Father Gus Arthurs CSSp, 1990-2001; Father Joe Kelly CSSp, 2001-2015; Father Ralph Diodati, 2015-2017; Father Don Sanvido, 2017-2021; and our current pastor, Father Gordian Okpuruka.

**PARISH CONTACTS, GROUPS & LITURGICAL MINISTRIES**

|                                   |                 |                |  |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|--|
| <b>BOOKKEEPER</b>                 | Ron Atkinson    | (519) 278-0125 | <a href="mailto:stjohnnerin@hamiltondiocese.com">stjohnnerin@hamiltondiocese.com</a> |
| <b>MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST</b> | Tammy Barnhart  | (519) 833-7131 |  |
| <b>MINISTERS OF THE WORD</b>      | Mary Cunningham | (519) 855-6460 |  |
| <b>MUSIC MINISTRY</b>             | Jean Gravelle   | (519) 833-9552 |  |
| <b>SOCIAL JUSTICE</b>             | Heidi Matthews  | (519) 855-9516 |  |
| <b>KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS</b>        | Rick Iannozzi   | (519) 278-0125 |  |
| <b>PARISH SCHOOL</b>              | Principal       | (519) 833-9994 | School Address:  |
| <b>ST. JOHN BRÉBEUF C.E.S.</b>    | Kate Seftel     |                | 30 Millwood Road, Erin, ON N0B 1T0   |

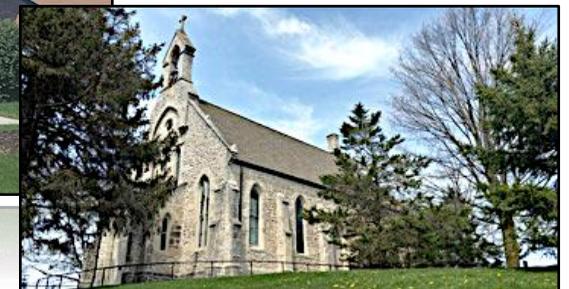
*Interested in starting a new Catholic Women's League (CWL) branch in the Parish?  
 Contact Fr. Gordian!  
 519-833-9738*

# St. John Brébeuf Parish, Erin & St. Peter's Mission, Oustic



**JANUARY 22, 2023**

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**OFFICE HOURS**  
 Tuesday – Friday  
 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Parish Office Assistant & Hours**  
**Sandra Priselac**  
**(519) 278-0125**  
 Tuesday & Thursday  
 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**  
 Please contact the Parish Office.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**  
 Please contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**  
 Saturday 4:15-4:45 p.m. or by appointment.

**PASTORAL CARE FOR THE SICK**  
 Available upon request.  
 Please contact the Parish Office.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**  
 Each Thursday at 6:00-7:00 p.m.

| WEEKEND MASSES |            | WEEKDAY MASSES – St. John Brébeuf Parish |           |
|----------------|------------|--|-----------|
| Saturday       | 5:00 p.m.  | Tuesday                                  | 7:00 p.m. |
| Sunday         | 9:00 a.m.  | Wednesday                                | 9:15 a.m. |
|                | 11:00 a.m. | Thursday                                 | 7:00 p.m. |
|                |            | Friday                                   | 9:15 a.m. |
|                |            |  |           |

*We gladly welcome new parishioners and invite them to pick up a registration form and register!*