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**Sunday, March 23, 2014**

Third Sunday of Lent


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**The Catholic  
Communities of  
St. John the Evangelist**

2540 Stagecoach Road, Osgoode 

**and  
St. Brigid**

2015 River Road, Manotick 

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**St. John**

**Sunday, March 23 at 9:00 a.m.**

Soul of Gerald Judge, by The Judge family

**Thursday, March 27 at 7:00 p.m.**

Parishioners of St. John & St. Brigid  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation – 7:30**

**Friday, March 28 at 9:00 a.m.**

Parishioners of St. John & St. Brigid

**Sunday, March 30 at 9:00 a.m.**

Souls of Bill and Marjorie Dewan  
and daughter Leona, by The Dewan family

**St. Brigid**

**Saturday, March 22 at 5:00 p.m.**

Soul of Gerald Neville, by Anne Perkins

**Sunday, March 23 at 10:30 a.m.**

Soul of Rose Yameen, by Katie Quigley-Theberge

**Saturday, March 29 at 5:00 p.m.**

Soul of Jacques Lemay, by Freda Lemay

**Sunday, March 30 at 10:30 a.m.**

Soul of Giovanni Olga, by The Joyce family

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**Sacrament of Reconciliation  
(Confession):**

- Saturday at **St. Brigid** from 4:30 to 4:45 p.m.
  - Sundays at **St. John** from 8:30 to 8:45 a.m.
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**LIVING WATER**

In today's gospel a Samaritan woman preparing to draw water from a well during the hottest time of the day. This daily, ordinary ritual becomes an extraordinary, transformative life experience for her. At the well she encounters one not bound by the legalism of religious authorities, but instead by the law of love written on his heart by God who led him to her. As a woman, Samaritan and one married five times, she an outcast. Not blinded by categories, imperfections or sins, Jesus models for us all now to satisfy the deepest human thirsts. This is Jesus the pastoral minister whose words water the human soul.

The Samaritan woman, like all of us, thirsts for understanding and acceptance, which are hard to find in a patriarchal society marked by rigid religious laws. Jesus offers her cleansing water of the truth of her experience. There truthful encounter is tempered by loving acceptance.

We all thirst for meaning in life. Our faith needs watering. Jesus encounters each of us at the well of our lives and offers unconditional love. With all catechumens preparing for baptism, let us join the entire community in answering Jesus' renewed invitation to selfless service.

## Parish News and Community Life

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation for Lent will be held at St. John's the Evangelist church on **Thursday, March 27, at 7:30 p.m.**, after the 7 p.m. mass.

### AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR/CPR TRAINING

The Knights of Columbus with First Aid Plus are offering a course in CPR and how to use an automated defibrillator, to be held **Saturday, March 29, from 10:00 a.m. to 3 p.m.** \$50/per person at St. Leonard's Church. This is a great opportunity for each of us to know. A sign up sheet is at the entrance of the church.

### FOUNDER'S DAY MASS – ST. JOHN'S

The Knights of Columbus of Our Lady of the Visitation Council 8092, will have a representative from the Knights speak about Founder's Day on **Sunday, March 30**. Please join them after mass in the hall for coffee and refreshments provided by the Knights.

### LENTEN PROJECT

Our parish Lenten project is the same as that of Pope Francis. We encourage all families to bring a canned food item or loose change to our food basket for someone in need in our parishes during LENT. There is a basket at the entrance at St. John's and St. Brigid's basket is on the North side entrance. Please be generous and help someone in need. *The Marian Prayer Group.*

### HOLY CROSS PARISH LENTEN MISSION

Theme: "The Journey". **March 24, 25 & 26, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.** at 685 Walkley Rd. Concludes with the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, final day March 26. All welcome. Info: (613-731-7834).

### MEN'S BREAKFAST

St. Augustine (1060 Baseline), **Sat., March 29, 8:00 a.m.** Speaker: Guy Dacquay on "Coincidence or God-incidence?" Continental Breakfast. Cost \$5. at east door of church. RSVP Denis (613-228-7646). All men welcome.

### MEN'S CURSILLO – APRIL 3 - 5

F. John Fletcher, CC is the spiritual advisor of the men's cursillo this April. All men are invited. See Fr. John for more information.

### ST. JOHN'S FUNDRAISER AUCTION – Sat., May 24, 11:00 a.m.

Viewing starting at **9:00 a.m.** Many antiques and collectables, for more info see the church website, or call Dennis at (613-821-2889). **July 19<sup>th</sup>** a Church Picnic will be held at St. John's, more news will follow in the weeks ahead.

### Last Sunday's Collection

St. Brigid: \$ 993.00

St. John: \$ 1,568.00

### Clothing Depot

Open Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. until 12 noon.  
Coordinator: Wilda Corcoran at 613-821-3730.

### Food Bank

Open Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. until 12 noon.  
Coordinators: Len or Denise Herbert at 613-821-1481.

### Hospitality

St. Brigid – if you know of a parishioner who is ill, or has suffered a loss, and would appreciate receiving a card, please call Sharon Van Schyndel at 613-489-0247.

### Baptisms

Upon Request. A baptism preparation course is required.

### Marriage

Please notify the parish office at least six months prior to the anticipated wedding date.

### Our St. Brigid Community

#### St. Brigid Parish Council\*

Deanna Kelly, Chair  
Maureen Goodspeed  
John Kelly

#### St. Brigid Cemetery

Mike Kelly 613-692-4293

### Our St. John Community

#### St. John Parish Council\*

Dave Sandre, Co-Chair  
Sean Blanchfield  
Susan Phillips, Finance  
Al Hawco, Maintenance  
Len Herbert, Maintenance

#### St. John Cemetery

Leonard Lapensee  
613-821-3249

\*Please contact Parish Office for Council information.