# The Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, June 24



But his mother said, "No; he is to be called John." They said to her, "None of your relatives has this name." Then they began motioning to his father to find out what name he wanted to give him. He asked for a writing tablet and wrote, "His name is John." (Luke 1:57-66,80)

#### Last Week's Collection

Sunday Offering - \$ 1722.15 Repair & Renovations fund - \$ 57.00 'Host a Family..' \$ 10.00 Education of Seminarians - \$ 20.00 Bless you for your continued generous support.

#### **Upcoming Events - 2018** Vacation Bible School—July 9—13 2018

**Host a Family Fund Raising Programs:** 

Meatballs (jar of 12 for \$10) and sauce (\$5) for Sale Golf & dinner fund raising event Sept.30,2pm Friends, please join and support that we may help our 2nd Syrian family.

#### Father Paul to Medjugorje

During Father Paul's brief absence from June 20 to June 28, Father David Byrne from St. Julia will be celebrating the weekend Masses with us. We welcome Father Byrne and thank him for being with us. We also pray for Father Paul's safe return from his trip.

#### In Memoriam

The Sisters of the Sacred Heart in Welland ask to please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of Mother Alba Puglia who passed away on June 17, 2018 at the age of 95.

#### Mass Schedule & Intentions from June 23, 2018 to July 1, 2018

5:00PM † Frank Lostracco Saturday

> by Carmelo & Mary Mazzei Pasquale Vaccaro by Wife & family

John Nenadovich

by Barbara Nenadovich & family

Fred Leon by Betty & family

Sunday 9:00AM † Gail Hennessy by James Hennessy

Carl & Olive Madsen by Cheryl Maurice

Antonino Giovinazzo

by Grandschildren Andrea, Adam & Mathew

Gabriele & Filomena DiGaetano by Maria Magazzeni & family

11:00AM For us and for all our dearly deceased ones

Monday No Mass **Tuesday** No Mass

Wednesday 9:00AM Communion Service

**7:30PM** † The deceased members of the DeChellis **Thursday** 

Family by the Family

Friday 9:00AM † Tony Mazzei by Therese Paonessa

Saturday 5:00PM † Frank Lostracco

> by Domenic & Anita Belcastro Antonio Maddalena by Wife & family Dominic Mammarella by Wife & family

9:00AM † Jean (John) Pamerleau

by Robert & Roseline McCombs Lilia Ligotti by Husband & family Yolanda Czerlau by Linda Matchett For the Rosati & Chiavaroli families by Rosa Chiavaroli

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### **CWL**

Sunday

Thank you for

supporting

Host a Family

Program'

Year end BBQ and Pin presentation on Monday July 2nd @ 6PM Location—12 Laval ave.

#### SEPARATED/DIVORCED MINISTRY

A support group for Separated and Divorced Catholics will be meeting at Mount Carmel Spiritual Center (7021 Stanley Ave., Niagara Falls) on Monday, June 25 starting at 7:00 PM.

#### **GRIEF RECOVERY PROGRAM**

A ten week long Grief Recovery Program sponsored by Armstrong Funeral Home and Davidson Funeral Homes will begin at Northland Pointe Senior's Center (2 Fielden Ave., Pt. Colborne) on Tuesday, July 3 and will continue every Tuesday for 10 weeks. The sessions begin at 6:20PM. They are free of charge but registration is required. To register call 905-834-3483 or 905-834-4833.



# Saint Andrew the Apostle, pray for us



**Pope Francis General Audience** June 20, 2018

Dear brothers and sisters:

In our catechesis on the commandments, we have seen that Jesus, God's incarnate Word, came not to abolish but to fulfil the Law. God's commandments are part of his ongoing covenantal dialogue with his people; indeed, in Hebrew, the ten commandments are called God's ten "words". As "words", they are not so much orders to be obeyed but an invitation to shape our lives in a loving relationship with the Father, through the Son and in the Holy Spirit. God is not – as the Tempter would have us believe – a despot demanding blind obedience, but a Father concerned for the welfare of his children. Thanks to the gift of the Spirit, we are able freely to accept and obey God's law as the path to authentic human fulfilment. In our lives as Christians, we are called to pass from the letter of the Law to the freedom of the Spirit. In all our words and actions, may we show that obedience to the law of Christ is no mere legalism, but a response of filial love for God and confident trust in his saving plan for our world.

## Meatball making - THANK YOU

This past Saturday we were making the meatballs. Thank you to all who supported this fundraising program. Special thanks to all the volunteers who came out to make the meatballs, especially to Stephen Martin and David Pastirik for their leadership. Also a big thank you to Maria Fazzalari, Denis & Anita Bilodeau, Yoli Pellegrino, Amie Garland, Lilliana Mammarella, George Poll, Karen Young and grade 9 student Kali Figliola. Thank you all for your support.

#### St. John the Baptist

There was a man sent from God whose name was John. He came for testimony to bear witness to the light and to make ready for the Lord a people prepared. (1) Saint Augustine points out that the Church celebrates the birth of John as something sacred, and he is in fact the only saint whose day of birth is celebrated; we celebrate the birth of John and that of Christ.(2) He is the last of the Prophets of the Old Testament and the first to draw our attention to the Messiah.

(1). Entrance antiphon: John 1:6-7; Luke 1:17 2. Divine Office, Second Reading, St. Augustine, Sermon 293,1 In Conversation with God, Volume 6

## Vacation Bible Class, 2018



During the week of Monday July 9 to Friday July 13, 2018 our parish will be hosing it's annual Vacation Bible Class. Daily from 9am 4 pm. (We provide lunch and snacks.) If you are interested in volunteering your time, please talk to Fr. Paul or call the office (905)732-5046 Thank you!

Registration forms available in the office or on our web site. Kindly register before June 29, 2018 Thank you.

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#### "FATAL FLAWS" FILM SCREENING:

THE DANGERS OF MEDICAL 'AID' IN DYING LAW. Are assisted dying laws leading society down a dangerous path? It's time to learn about the issue as it is experienced in lived reality. Local filmmaker, Kevin

Dunn, has spent the past three years travelling throughout Canada, the Netherlands, Belgium and the USA to learn more about the answer to this important question. Critics say "FATAL FLAWS" 'is a must-see for every patient, person or medical caregiver who wants to understand the difference between medical killing and medically-responsible caring.' The film is produced by DunnMedia in association with the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition. Join us and learn more on Monday, June 25 at 7pm at SilverCity Hamilton Mountain Cinemas. Tickets can be purchased online, or/and to find out how to bring the film to your area contact FatalFlawsFilm.com or by emailing margaret@dunnmedia.ca.