
Memorial of Saint John Chrysostom - September 13 Bishop and Doctor of the Church



St. John, named Chrysostom (*golden-mouthed*) on account of his eloquence, came into the world of Christian parents, about the year 344, in the city of Antioch (in Turkey). His mother, at the age of 20, was a model of virtue. He studied oratory under Libanius, a pagan, the most famous orator of the age.

In 374, he began to lead the life of a hermit in the mountains near Antioch, but in 386 the poor state of his health forced him to return to Antioch, where he was ordained a priest.

In 398, he was elevated to the "Holy See of Constantinople" and became one of the greatest lights of the Church. But he had enemies in high places and some were ecclesiastics, not the least being Theophilus, Patriarch of Alexandria, who repented of this before he died. His most powerful enemy, however, was the Empress Eudoxia, who was offended by the apostolic freedom of his speeches. Several accusations were brought against John in a pseudo-council, and he was sent into exile.

In the midst of his sufferings, like the apostle, St. Paul, whom he so greatly admired, he found the greatest peace and happiness. He had the consolation of knowing that the Pope remained his friend, and did for him what lay in his power. His enemies were not satisfied with the sufferings he had already endured, and they banished him still further, to Pythius in Greece, at the very extremity of the Empire. He died on his way there on September 14, 407.

John Chrysostom's preaching, by word and example, exemplifies the role of the prophet to comfort the afflicted and to afflict the comfortable. For his honesty and courage, he paid the price of a turbulent ministry as bishop, personal vilification, and exile.

Saint John Chrysostom is the Patron Saint of:

- Orators, Preachers, Speakers

Quote by Saint John Chrysostom:

"The love of husband and wife is the force that welds society together. Men will take up arms and even sacrifice their lives for the sake of this love....when harmony prevails, the children are raised well, the household is kept in order, and neighbors, friends, and relatives praise the result. Great benefits, both of families and states, are thus produced. When it is otherwise, however, everything is thrown into confusion and turned upside-down."

NO Mass on Mondays

Tuesday, September 10

8:00 am - the intentions of John Paul Meenan - from Matt

Wednesday, September 11

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins at 6:00 pm and concludes with Benediction at 7:00 pm

7:15 pm - the intentions of Doris Johnston - her friends
- for the intentions of Maria Correia - from Fatima & Tony
+ BILL WYNEN - his family
+ MANUEL DaSILVA - wife and children

Thursday, September 12

8:00 am + CECILIA XAVIER & ROSE STEPHAN - Joy and
Christine

Friday, September 13

8:00 am - for the souls in purgatory and the intentions of
Desiree Lew and family

Saturday, September 14

8:00 am + IVO JORGE - Maria DaSilva

5:00 pm + LEO JOHNSTON - Rosemary
+ JIM DELAHUNTY - Pat and family

Sunday, September 15

9:00 am - Intentions of all parishioners
11:00 am + DON ARTHUR - Jeannie & Roy Harrington

Sacrament of Reconciliation Schedule:

- Wednesdays from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm
- First Fridays of each month 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm
- Saturdays from 9:00 am to 10:00 am
- **NEW** - Confession will be available 30 minutes prior to **weekday morning Masses**.

Dear Parishioners:

Have you moved? Will you be moving in the near future?

Please let the parish office know, so that our records can be kept up to date. Thank you!

First Communion and Reconciliation candidates, with their parents, are asked to attend Mass and stay for a brief meeting afterwards, on Saturday, September 28 at 5pm Mass; **OR** Sunday, September 29 at either the 9am or 11am Mass. Details about the Sacramental preparation program will be provided at this meeting.



Our parish is looking to hire a person to do the snow blowing /shoveling for our parish sidewalks this winter! Must be in good physical condition and the parish provides a snow blower. Perhaps a good job for a retired parishioner! Please contact Barb at the parish office for information.

NEW ALTAR SERVERS - invitation to join this Ministry

Children in grades 3 to 6 are invited to become altar servers to assist with Masses and special celebrations. Please meet Father Mikulski in the Church on **Friday, Sept. 27 from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm.** If you have questions, please contact Fr. Mikulski at 226-868-0613 or see him after Mass.



Workshop for Current Altar Servers

Please join Fr. Mikulski on Saturday, September 21 from 3:30 - 4:30 pm in the Church, for this brief gathering.

St. Ambrose Parish monthly Bridge/Euchre Card Party - Sat. September 14 at 6:30 pm in St. Ambrose Church Hall. Cost is \$6.00 at the door. A light luncheon will be served prior to the start of cards. Everyone welcome!

Feeling the need for support, healing and/or hope after a separation or divorce?

The Diocesan Levels Programs let you start this new journey with support and tools to remain healthy. **LEARNING TO COPE (Level 1)** starts Tuesday, September 24 (7:00 pm to 9:00 pm), at the Diocese of Hamilton Chancery Office, 700 King St. W, Hamilton and runs for ten weeks. For more information or to register, contact the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988, ext. 2249, or register on line at www.hamiltondiocese.com. Cost: \$35, but no one is turned away. Past participants are welcome to inquire about further Levels programs (Level 2, 3 & 4).

Adult volunteers required to assist with funerals

Father Mikulski would like to invite parish men to be volunteers at our parish funerals. This would be ideal for retired folk! If you would like to offer your assistance, please contact Father at 226-868-0613. Training will be provided.

CAMBRIDGE RIGHT TO LIFE 40TH ANNUAL WALK FOR LIFE

Saturday, September 28, 2019

The Galt Legion (4 Veterans Way)

Registration: 9:30 am and Walk: 10 am – 12 Noon

If you would also like to join the walk, there are sponsor sheets at the back of the Church.

email: info@cambridgerighttolife.ca

"Home Alone" Program for Kids

**Friday, September 20 2019 at St. Ambrose Church Hall
9:30am to 3:30 pm (PD day - no school)**

A one day program designed for children 10 years of age and older to help prepare to stay safe in time when they may be left alone for short periods of time. Conducted by a qualified instructor of St. John Ambulance. Each student will receive a Canada Safety Council handbook and certificate. Cost is \$45.00.

Register at myra@stambrosecambridge.ca

St. Vincent de Paul Donations: With children back in school the need for luncheon food is always in demand. Donations of juice boxes, fruit cups, pudding cups, granola bars (peanut free), cereal, canned soup, canned pasta, cookies etc. would be appreciated.

Monetary donations are accepted at the church exits on the last weekend of each month. Donations of food or money could also be brought to the parish office during weekdays.

Thank you for continuing to support those in need within our own community.



Wednesday September 25th - Sunday November 3rd

Your help is needed with 2 things...please:

- 1) Sign up for vigil hours either online at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener
OR by calling Evelina at 519-589-2919
Make sure to RESERVE your weekly hour!
- 2) Mark your calendars and join us for our opening rally, Tuesday, October 1, 2019 at 7pm at St. Anthony Daniel Parish, 29 Midland Ave., Kitchener (off Ottawa Street North). Celebratant is Bishop Douglas Crosby OMI.

Notice to Knights of Columbus Members:

The Galt Council 2184 will now host their meetings on the **fourth Wednesday** of the month (excluding July, August and December) 7:30 pm at St. Patrick parish hall, 53 Wellington St, commencing September 25, 2019.