

# St. John of the Cross Parish

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## OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
Monday to Thursday (Evg.) 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  
Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon  
Sunday 8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.



We, God's people, members of St. John of the Cross Carmelite Parish, and disciples called through baptism to be prophetic, priestly, and holy, have been chosen to serve, help, and guide each other on our Christian pilgrimage through life, to the Kingdom of God.

## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m.

## WEEKDAY MASSES AT THE CHURCH

Monday through Saturday: 9:00 a.m.  
**First Friday 9:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.**  
(Mass followed by Adoration)

## RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.  
Other times by appointment.

## BAPTISM

BY APPOINTMENT ONLY  
Parents are required to attend the Baptism Preparation Class. Parents are also encouraged to attend the Baptism Class prior to the birth of the baby. A registration package is available at the Parish Office or by visit to our Website.

## MARRIAGE

It is required that one of those to be married resides within the Parish boundary. Couples planning to be married must contact the Parish Office at least one year in advance of their proposed date. They are required to complete a Marriage Preparation Course.

## PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. Joseph Kalluvila, O. Carm., Pastor	Tel/Voice Mail Ext 228
Fr. Felix Antony, O.Carm., Assoc. Pastor	224
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St. Elizabeth Seton	905-821-2277
St. John of the Cross	905-824-3058
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Our Lady of Mount Carmel	905-824-1025
3700 Trelawny Circle, Mississauga	

JOHN OF THE CROSS was born in 1542 at Fontiveros in Spain. He entered the Carmelite Community and was ordained a priest in 1567. Renowned for his wisdom and sanctity, he died at Ubeda in 1591. His writings are not only classics of spirituality, but also of Spanish literature. His best known books are *The Ascent of Mount Carmel*, *The Dark Night of the Soul*, and *The Living Flame of Love*.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE - MONDAY NOON**

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**READINGS OF THE WEEK**

Mon	Feb 12	James 1.1-11; Mark 8.11-13
Tues	Feb 13	James 1.12-18; Mark 8.14-21
Wed	Feb 14	Joel 2.12-18; Matthew 6.1-6,16-18
Thurs	Feb 15	Deuteronomy 30.15-20; Luke 9.22-25
Fri	Feb 16	Isaiah 58.1-9; Matthew 9.14-15
Sat	Feb 17	Isaiah 58.9-14; Luke 5.27-32
Sun	Feb 18	Genesis 9.8-15; 1 Peter 3.18-22. Mark 1.12-15

**CHURCH**

Tues	Feb 13	Adult Choir 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Wed	Feb 14	See Ash Wednesday schedule
Thurs	Feb 15	Folk Choir 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Sat	Feb 17	Confirmation Retreat 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**SEMINAR ROOM**

Mon	Feb 12	R.C.I.A. 7 – 9:00 p.m.
Wed	Feb 14	Prime Time Crafts 2 – 4:00 p.m. Band practice 8 -10:00 p.m.
Thurs	Feb 15	R.C.I.A. Team Meeting 6 – 7:00 p.m. Baptism Prep 7 – 9:00 p.m.
Sat	Feb 17	Children’s Choir 10:00 a.m.- 11:15 a.m.

**BOARDROOM**

Sat	Feb 17	Confirmation Retreat 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
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**NESSINGER HALL**

Sun	Feb 11	Youth Group 7 – 9:00 p.m.
Tues	Feb 13	Prime Time Line Dancing 1 – 2:30 p.m. Adult Faith Formation 6 -9:00 p.m.
Sat	Feb 17	Confirmation Retreat 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.



**FEBRUARY 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**Mass with Ashes at  
9:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.**

**Liturgy of the Word  
with Ashes at 4:00 p.m.**

Perhaps you've been wondering about... what you are going to do for Lent this year. Instead of giving up something you enjoy, consider doing something to help someone else. Help in a food pantry, donate to clothes closet, visit someone who is ill, write letters to someone who has fallen out of touch, give someone a ride to church or to the doctor. Get involved in the parish outreach projects. See what you can do to make life better or easier for someone, or work on improving relationships. Copyright © 2012 Resource Publications, Inc. All rights reserved.

**HOLY SEASON OF LENT**

This week we will celebrate Ash Wednesday. We begin the Forty Days of Lent. We cannot talk about Lent without talking about Easter. The two Seasons are inseparable. Lent represents forty days of preparation for fifty days of celebration. The ashes we receive remind us of the need to experience a change of heart. **Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving** are the means Jesus calls us to become loving Christians. The Lenten Church law in Canada is as follows:

**ASH WEDNESDAY AND GOOD FRIDAY** are days of **FAST AND ABSTINENCE**. Fasting means taking only one full meal a day, but allows you to take some food at other times of the day. All those between the ages of 18 and 60 are asked to keep the law of **FAST. ABSTINENCE** (eating no meat) obliges all those 14 years of age and older.

Almsgiving is urged by Jesus. This means sharing our bread with the needy. The annual **SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN** in our Archdiocese is one way in which we can practice almsgiving. We realize our love of God is measured by our love for our neighbour especially for the less fortunate. **SHARELIFE** is our opportunity to share our material blessings by making a contribution to help the diocese reach out to those in need.

*Fr. Joseph Kalluvila, O. Carm.*



**COFFEE SUNDAY  
Served in the Rotunda**

**Hosted by the Music Ministry**  
Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup> after 5 p.m. Mass &  
Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup> after the 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.,  
Noon and 4:00 p.m. Masses.  
*make sure you are not trapping another car in the parking lot.*



**SHARELIFE PANCAKE SUPPER**  
**FEBRUARY 13<sup>th</sup> 5:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.**  
**Location: OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL S.S.**  
**3700 TRELAWNY CIRCLE**

*Tickets available at door*

**ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY**  
GROWING IN FAITH

**REFLECTION OF THE WEEK**

**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (World Day of the Sick)**

**Models of Christ**

**“You are my refuge, Lord; with deliverance  
you surround me.”**

What can you do this week to be an example to others?

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

The Catholic tradition of making the Stations of the Cross, which is such a common part of our Lenten practice. From the earliest days, the followers of Jesus shared the story of the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus. When Christian pilgrims came to Jerusalem they wanted to see the sites which were connected directly with these events in the life of Jesus. These sites became holy places to visit and it became a common practice to follow in the footsteps of Jesus on his way to his crucifixion. For a while it was impossible for Christians to visit Jerusalem and so in the 1500's villages all over Europe began creating their own way of the cross with small shrines. These evolved into the 14 stations we have today, and gradually they became part of the church building itself. Today we can make the stations on our own as a private devotion or as a community. It is a tool to help us contemplate the mystery of Christ's passion and death in preparation for the celebration of the resurrection at Easter.

**In our parish we celebrate the Stations every Friday evening at 7:00 pm during Lent and everyone is welcome to use this devotion as part of their Lenten journey.**

**PRIME TIME CLUB** - (a social group for those over 50) Membership - \$10 per year.

Events include monthly dinner in Nessinger Hall and a local restaurant outing. Craft Group meets every Wednesday at 2:00 pm and Line Dancing every Tuesday at 1:00 pm.

Contact – Mary Wong 905 824 8537

**YOUTH GROUP**

“The Youth Group will be taking a group to the Steubenville Conference in Oshawa. The conference will run July 13<sup>th</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup> and the spots are limited, so please contact a youth leader if you're interested or would like more details.”

**Ministry to the Bereaved**

The ministry is intended to offer spiritual support and the healing comfort of God to all who mourn a loss through death.

Support is offered in a group setting. Our ministers journey with the person through their grief, offering consolation and compassion as wounded healers. This ministry is offered to all who feel ready to take this step in their journey of grief.

We ask that the person who wishes to begin this program, contact Muriel Haney. Please pass on the word and let us be a parish of compassion and consolation, reaching out to those who suffer alone. Our next session begins on Fridays, from March 9<sup>th</sup> to April 20<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

For information: [muriel1066@bell.nett](mailto:muriel1066@bell.nett) or the parish office 905 821-1331



**Life in the Spirit Seminar (LSS)**

August 31 – October 19, 2018

Every Friday for 8 weeks, 7:00 – 9:00 pm

We are blessed to offer Life in the Spirit Seminar in our parish. Open to anyone who wants to establish, re-establish or deepen their relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

LSS provides an opportunity to bring the participants to a fuller experience of life through the renewal of what the Holy Spirit has given us in the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation.

For more information and to register for free, please contact Liane, 905 821-1331 ext. 226

*“Send forth your Spirit, and they shall be created; and thou shall renew the face of the earth.”*

**OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

Today's Gospel says that “Jesus was moved with pity when He saw a leper”. Are you moved with love and compassion when you see the outcasts of today's society? Jesus continues to call forward men and women to minister as he did. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon call **Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416- 968-0997.**

Email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND**

Celebrate your love and take a fresh look at your marriage! Spend a very special weekend together. A Weekend of discovery...a lifetime of love! Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend getaway that helps married couples rediscover themselves as individuals and as a couple. The Weekend format helps couples communicate openly and honestly without group sharing, therapy or marriage counselling.

**Upcoming Weekend: March 2-4, 2018 (Four Points by Sheraton, Argentia Rd., Mississauga) For more information and application, please go to [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org) or contact: Gerard & Marge McCauley at [gerard.marge@rogers.com](mailto:gerard.marge@rogers.com) or (905) 792-1925.**

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