

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

	Tel/Voice Mail
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St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus	905-785-0066
Our Lady of Mount Carmel	905-824-1025
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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

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Mon	Feb 19	Leviticus 19.1-2,11-18; Matthew 25.31-46
Tues	Feb 20	Isaiah 55.10-11; Matthew 6.7-15
Wed	Feb 21	Jonah 3.1-10; Luke 11.29-32
Thurs	Feb 22	1 Peter 5.1-4; Matthew 16.13-19
Fri	Feb 23	Ezekiel 18.21-28; Matthew 5.20-26
Sat	Feb 24	Deuteronomy 26.16-19; Matthew 5.43-48
Sun	Feb 25	Genesis 22.1-2,9-13,15-18; Romans 8.31-35,37

CHURCH

Tues	Feb 20	Adult Choir 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Wed	Feb 21	See Ash Wednesday schedule
Thurs	Feb 22	Folk Choir 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Sat	Feb 24	Confirmation Retreat 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

SEMINAR ROOM

Tues	Feb 20	R.C.I.A. 7 – 9:00 p.m.
Wed	Feb 21	Prime Time Crafts 2 – 4:00 p.m. Band practice 8 -10:00 p.m.

BOARDROOM

Wed	Feb 21	Finance Committee Meeting 7 – 8:30 p.m.
Sat	Feb 24	Confirmation Retreat 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

NESSINGER HALL

Sun	Feb 18	Youth Group 7 – 9:00 p.m.
Tues	Feb 20	Adult Faith Formation 6 -9:00 p.m. Prime Time Line Dancing 1 - 2:30 p.m.
Wed	Feb 21	C.I.C. 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Sat	Feb 24	Confirmation Retreat 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Lent

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE DURING LENT Monday through to Saturday at 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday
Mass at 7:00 p.m.
Followed by Novena to
Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Friday
Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m.
Followed by Mass

IMPORTANT OFFICE MESSAGES
MOVING? PLEASE CONTACT (NOTIFY)
THE PARISH OFFICE

2017 Parish Tax Receipts will be ready for
pick-up starting February 24th / 25th

Perhaps you've been wondering about the celebration of Family Day in Canada. Family Day is observed in the Canadian provinces of Alberta, Ontario and Saskatchewan on the third Monday of February. In British Columbia, Family Day falls on the second Monday of February. It is wonderful to know that this holiday celebrates the importance of family life for the people and their communities. Perhaps you've wondered when Family Day originated and first held in Canada. It was first held in the province of Alberta in 1990. Importantly, its goal is to reflect the values of family and home life that was crucial to the pioneers who founded Alberta. Likewise, it gives workers the opportunity to spend more time with their families. On Family Day, many people plan and take part in activities aimed to engage the whole family. While some communities plan special public events offering reduced admission price or free entry to Art Galleries and Museums.

As the weather is usually very cold in February, hot chocolate and freshly baked cookies are popular snacks. Other people use the long weekend as an opportunity for a short winter break or to travel to visit family members or friends.

Hopefully Family Day will be celebrated in all the provinces and Territories. Make certain you include your whole family when enjoying this special Family Day!



FAMILY DAY
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
MONDAY
FEBRUARY 19th, 2018



This Weekend is Coffee Sunday!

ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY

GROWING IN FAITH

REFLECTION OF THE WEEK

1st Sunday of Lent

A Change of Heart

“Your paths, Lord, are love and faithfulness for those who keep your covenant.”

What good habit could you work on during Lent so you could grow closer to God?

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Telephone voice mail extensions at the parish for questions regarding sacramental preparation for baptized children attending Catholic school. Messages will be returned by Sacramental Team.

905 821-1331 Ext. 225 1st Communion / Reconciliation

905 821-1331 Ext. 230 Confirmation

Messages left on these voice mails will be returned by members of the Sacramental Team.

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 9th to April 20th, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

For information: muriel1066@bell.nett or the parish office 905 821-1331

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 13th to the 15th and the spots are limited, so please contact a youth leader if you're interested or would like more details.”



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

FIRST SUNDAY of LENT - February 18th, 2018

Lent the springtime of the soul...is a time to make a new covenant with God, develop new signs of our relationship with our Creator. Go into your own desert and discover what God is asking of you. If you think God could be 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

“INCOME TAX PREPARATION for Eligible Individuals:

FREE income tax preparation for low income individuals / families, newcomers and seniors is offered by the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP), coordinated by the Canada Revenue Agency. Eligibility requirements are posted on the bulletin board. Contact the parish office to book an appointment on Saturdays from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, during the months of March and April.”

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, Argonia Rd., Mississauga) For more information and application, please go to www.wwme.org or contact: Gerard & Marge McCauley at gerard.marge@rogers.com or (905) 792-1925.

SENIOR MEN'S HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT

Saturday, March 17, 2018; 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Location: St. Augustine's Seminary. Address: 2661 Kingston Rd., Scarborough, ON. M1M 1M3. **Deadline for online registration is Monday, March 12, 2018** Please note: Registrants 16 & 17 years old will require parental consent. Register - online at www.vocationstoronto.ca

WOMEN of the WORD TORONTO- NINTH ANNUAL FORUM

Sunday, April 15 – 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. The Royalton Hospitality Inc., 8210 Weston Rd., Woodbridge, **NORTHERN REGION**. Women of the Word Toronto invites you to their 9th Annual Forum, “Daring to Reflect My True Image.” This year's speakers include Leah Darrow (former reality TV contestant on “America's Next Top Model”) and Dr. Josephine Lombardi. **COST:** \$60 (includes breakfast and lunch) **CONTACT:** Mary Filangi **PHONE:** 416-453-0402

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