

# 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 only: No Morning Mass 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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## SCHOOLS

St. Albert of Jerusalem	905-785-9298
St. Elizabeth Seton	905-821-2277
St. John of the Cross	905-824-3058
St. Richard	905-826-5572
St. Teresa of Avila	905-858-3462
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**

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

### READINGS OF THE WEEK

Mon	Feb 29	2 Kings 5.1-15; Luke 4.24-30
Tues	Mar 01	Daniel 3.25,34-43; Matthew 18.21-35
Wed	Mar 02	Deuteronomy 4.1,5-9; Matthew 5.17-19
Thurs	Mar 03	Jeremiah 7.23-28; Luke 11.14-23
Fri	Mar 04	Hosea 14.1-9; Mark 12.28-34
Sat	Mar 05	Hosea 5.15-6.6; Luke 18.9-14
Sun	Mar 06	Joshua 5.9,10-12; 2 Corinthians 5.17-21; Luke 15.1-3,11-32

### CHURCH

Sun	Feb 28	Youth Group Stations practice 5 – 7:00 p.m.
Mon	Feb 29	R.C.I.A. 7 – 9:00 p.m.
Tues	Mar 01	Adult Choir 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Wed	Mar 02	Band practice 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Thurs	Mar 03	Altar Server Training 6:30 p.m. Folk Choir 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Fri	Mar 04	St. John Family Choir 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Sat	Mar 05	Children's Choir 9:45 – 11:00 a.m. Confirmation Retreat 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

### SEMINAR ROOM

Mon	Feb 29	R.C.I.A. 7 – 9:00 p.m.
Tues	Mar 01	Liturgy of the Word Training 7 – 9:00 p.m.
Wed	Mar 02	Prime Time Crafts 2 – 4 p.m. PS Sacramental Prep 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

### BOARDROOM

Sat	Mar 05	C.V.I.T.P. 9:00 a.m. - Noon
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### NESSINGER HALL

Sun	Feb 28	Welcoming New Parishioners after 4 pm
Mon	Feb 29	Adult Faith 7 – 9:00 p.m.
Wed	Mar 02	Prime Time Club Committee 7 – 9:00 p.m. CIC 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Sat	Mar 05	Confirmation Retreat 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. CLP & CLS 7 – 10:30 p.m.

# LENT

## DAILY MASS SCHEDULE DURING LENT

Monday through Saturday at 9 a.m.

Friday at 7 pm – Stations of the Cross followed by Mass



**Special Eucharistic celebration  
Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.**

## 2015 TAX RECEIPTS

Are now available for pick-up in the hallway.

Perhaps you've been wondering about this year's Share Life Campaign and what is Share Life? ShareLife is a sign of our stewardship, and an opportunity to share the gifts of time, talent and treasure that have been entrusted to us by God. ShareLife also provides an opportunity to exercise the Lenten tradition of almsgiving. Those who volunteer and work actively for ShareLife are in fact serving in the ministry of fundraising. "As generous distributors of God's manifold grace, put your gifts at the service of one another each in the measure he has received." (1 Peter 4:10) ShareLife is the Catholic community of Toronto's response to providing care and outreach to those in need through our social services agencies and grant recipients, by raising and allocating funds effectively, and fulfilling our obligations to respect life at all stages. Share Life is committed to: Reverence for life at all stages; Love of neighbour expressed through joyful, selfless giving of our gifts of time, talent and treasure; Participation of a broad base of volunteers and donors; Quality and excellence in what we do and how we do it; Integrity in all our actions; Providing a good working environment for staff and volunteers. In short, living the Gospel by putting our Catholic faith into action!



*Family of Faith*

Campaign

Pastoral Plan of the Archdiocese of Toronto

Parish Goal	Amount Pledged
\$745,000	\$974,208

**If you have made a 2015 donation to the Family of Faith campaign, please note that your tax receipt will be sent to you directly by the Family of Faith campaign office in February. Thank you for your continued support of this important campaign!**

### **Your prayers are needed.....**

To support those who are beginning their final preparation for Baptism or to become full members of our church. Those preparing for Baptism sign the Book of the Elect this weekend, which records those chosen by God for the sacraments of Initiation. They are now known as the Elect. Our candidates for full communion received a special blessing to strengthen them through their Lenten journey. Your prayers and support are very important during this time and we ask you to take a name from the basket in the rotunda and pray for that person throughout Lent.

**ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY**  
GROWING IN FAITH

**REFLECTION OF THE WEEK**

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

Tempered with Humility

“The Lord is merciful and gracious.”

What important work could bear fruit in your life right now if you have more confidence in God’s loving care?

**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 1<sup>st</sup> Communion / Reconciliation

905 821-1331 Ext. 230 Confirmation

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

**TO ALL THE CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES**

Faithfully Chosen session is held from 9am to 1pm  
**(Registration 8:45 am and start time 9:00 am sharp!)**  
in Nessinger Hall on Saturday, March 5 (last session)  
Please bring lunch.



**LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN**  
**NEW LEADERS NEEDED**

The Liturgy of the Word with Children ministry is looking for new adult leaders. You do not have to be a teacher or have experience working with children, all you need is a passion for sharing your faith with others! We will be hosting an information / training session for anyone interested in potentially joining our ministry on Tuesday, March 1st from 7-9pm here at St. John of the Cross Church (no RSVP required). If you require further information please contact Kate at the parish office.



The Parish Library will be open on Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup> before and after the 5 p.m. mass and on Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup> before and after the 10 a.m. and 12 p.m. masses. We have religious books for adults, teens and children. The Library is available **FREE** for a one month loan to all registered members of the Parish. Please come by to view our collection located in the bookshelves outside of Nessinger Hall.

**MONDAY NIGHTS IN NESSINGER HALL!**  
**Video Series with Rev Robert E Baron**

Continues - this highly acclaimed series on our faith  
**Monday evenings at 7:00 pm**  
All are welcome to join us. Next session February 29<sup>th</sup>.  
No registration is required.

**PRIME TIME CLUB**

**(a social group for individuals 50 and over)**

Membership is \$10 per year and new members are always welcome.

Activities include: Monthly evening meal in the Nessinger Hall and monthly luncheon at a local restaurant.

Craft group meets every Wednesday 2 to 4 pm in the Seminar Room.

For crafts, contact Barb Reinhart at 905 819-9099.

For activities, contact Mary Wong at 905 824-8537.

For membership, contact Julienne-Anne Rodrigues at 905 670-0020.

**ALTAR SERVERS**

We are looking for very special individuals to become Altar Servers (grade 5 or higher). An Altar Server is a person who takes their Sunday obligation seriously. There are many aspects to this ministry which are important. Each weekly mass is connected to one another and it is important for all Altar Servers to attend weekly mass even when not scheduled to serve so that you know what is happening in the church and in liturgy from week to week. Due to the large time commitment required for serving, servers are requested to only be in one ministry as we cannot accommodate scheduling around other ministry commitments. If you are interested in volunteering for this special ministry please leave your name and contact information in the office. Training schedule is March 3rd, 8th and 17th at 6:30 pm in the church.

**PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY**

Please contact Muriel Haney at 905 507-1581 if you or your loved one is sick or shut-in and would like to receive Holy Communion at your home. We have several ministers who will come to your home on a weekly basis if needed.

We also distribute Holy Communion to you if you are hospitalized at Credit Valley or Trillium Hospital.

**“INCOME TAX PREPARATION**  
for Eligible Individuals:

FREE income tax preparation for low income individuals / families is offered by the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP), coordinated by the Canada Revenue Agency. Contact the parish office to book an appointment on Saturdays from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, during the months of February, March and April. Check Bulletin Board for eligibility requirements.



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