

# 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**

**FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**READINGS OF THE WEEK**

Mon	Feb 08	1 Kings 8.1-7,9-13; Mark 6.53-56
Tues	Feb 09	1 Kings 8.22-23,27-30; Mark 7.1-13
Wed	Feb 10	Joel 2.12-18; 2 Corinthians 5.20-6.2; Matthew 6.1-6,16-18
Thurs	Feb 11	Deuteronomy 30.15-20; Luke 9.22-25
Fri	Feb 12	Isaiah 58.1-9; Matthew 9.14-15
Sat	Feb 13	Isaiah 58.9-14; Luke 5.27-32
Sun	Feb 14	Deuteronomy 26.4-10; Romans 10.8-13; Luke 4.1-13

**CHURCH**

Tues	Feb 09	Adult Choir 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Wed	Feb 10	See Ash Wednesday schedule
Thurs	Feb 11	Folk Choir 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Sat	Feb 13	Confirmation Retreat 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**SEMINAR ROOM**


Mon	Feb 08	RCIA 7 – 9:00 p.m.
Wed	Feb 10	Prime Time Crafts 2 – 4 p.m. Band practice 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Thurs	Feb 11	RCIA Discernment Meeting 7 – 9:00 p.m.
Sat	Feb 13	RCIA Prayer Meeting 9:30 - Noon

**BOARDROOM**

Tues	Feb 9	Liturgy Meeting 7 – 9:00 p.m.
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**NESSINGER HALL**

Mon	Feb 08	Adult Faith 7 – 9:00 p.m.
Tues	Feb 09	Pancake Supper 5 – 8:00 p.m.
Thurs	Feb 11	SVDP 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.
Sat	Feb 13	Confirmation Retreat 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.



**FEBRUARY 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

Mass with Ashes at 9:00 a.m.  
Liturgy of the Word  
with Ashes at 4:00 p.m.  
Mass with Ashes at 6:00 p.m.  
Mass with Ashes at 8:00 p.m.

**LENT**

**DAILY MASS SCHEDULE DURING LENT**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday  
at 9 a.m.

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

Perhaps you've been wondering about ... why is the altar revered at the beginning of Mass. When the ministers have processed to the front of the church, all (except those carrying the cross or the Book of Gospels) bow to the altar. As they go to their places the presider goes behind the altar and bows and kisses it before going to his chair. The altar is a symbol of the Body of Christ. As such we reverence it. We do not treat it like an ordinary table, but place on it only those things needed for the celebration of the eucharistic liturgy: the chalice and purificator, the corporal, the bread and wine, the Sacramentary from which the presider will lead us in the prayers and the Book of Gospels. This is where we should be focusing our attention during Mass. *Copyright © 2008 Resource Publications, Inc. All rights reserved.*



Family of Faith


Campaign

**Pastoral Plan of the Archdiocese of Toronto**

The Family of Faith Campaign is underway at St. John of the Cross Parish thanks to the efforts of a wonderful group of volunteers. In the coming weeks we will keep you informed of the progress of our campaign. The Family of Faith is designed to support parishes and provide assistance in other areas too. Like any family, we must ensure that our home – our church – is cared for, maintained and improved. Through this we are investing today what we have for our future and for our growing children

A part of the vision in the parish is to see the basement completed for use with all our ministries.

Parish Goal	Amount Pledged
\$745,000	\$974,207.69



**SHARELIFE PANCAKE SUPPER**  
WILL TAKE PLACE ON  
**FEBRUARY 9<sup>th</sup> 5:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.**  
AT NESSINGER HALL  
**ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS CHURCH**

**TICKETS \$5.00 OR 5 FOR \$20.00**  
On sale after Mass this weekend February 6<sup>th</sup> /7<sup>th</sup>  
and at the door

### 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.*

### LENTEN RETREAT

Will be held at St. John of the Cross Parish

On Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup>

6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Fr. Joby Kachappilly V.C., Director – Divine Retreat Centre, Toronto and team.

All are welcome and no registration necessary.

### ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY

GROW†NG †N FA†TH

#### **REFLECTION OF THE WEEK**

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stretching our limits

**“Before the angels I sing your praise, O Lord.”**

When have you felt inadequate to a task or role you were given? How did you respond?

### 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 sessions are held from 9am to 1pm  
**(Registration 8:45 am and start time 9:00 am sharp!)**

in Nessinger Hall on the following dates:

Saturday, February 13, Saturday, February 20,  
Saturday, February 27, Saturday, March 5 (last session)

You are to attend only ONE session.

Please bring lunch.

### PRIME TIME CLUB (for individuals 50 and over)

Activities are: Monthly Potluck in Nessinger Hall, monthly Luncheon at a local Restaurant.

Contact Mary Wong @ 905-824-8537

Crafts: Wednesday from 2:00 - 4:00 pm.

Contact Barb @ 905- 819-9099 for info.

New members are always welcome. Membership fee is \$10.00 per year. Contact Raymonde 416-564-4484.

### 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 or on an individual basis.
- > 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 the parish office personally.
- > Please pass on the word and let us be a parish of compassion and consolation, reaching out to those who suffer alone.
- > Our next 6 week group session begins March 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30p.m.
- > Individual sessions are scheduled on mutually convenient times.
- > Contact the parish office 905 1331 or
- > Muriel Haney 905 507 1581

### “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.

***This Weekend is Coffee Sunday!***  
***Library is open this weekend!***



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