

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.



Alexandru Andrus

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
Fr. Sebastian Joseph, O.Carm., Assoc. Pastor	223
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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
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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

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Mon	Jan 11	1 Samuel 1.1-8; Mark 1.14-20
Tues	Jan 12	1 Samuel 1.9-20; Mark 1.21-28
Wed	Jan 13	1 Samuel 3.1-10, 19-20; Mark 1.29-39
Thurs	Jan 14	1 Samuel 4.1-11; Mark 1.40-45
Fri	Jan 15	1 Samuel 8.4-7, 10-22; Mark 2.1-12
Sat	Jan 16	1 Samuel 9.1-4, 17-19; 10.1; Mark 2.13-17
Sun	Jan 17	Isaiah 62.1-5; 1 Corinthians 12.4-11; John 2.1-12

CHURCH

Tues	Jan 12	Adult Choir
Thurs	Jan 14	Folk Choir 8 – 10:00 p.m.

SEMINAR ROOM

Mon	Jan 11	RCIA 7 – 9:00 p.m.
Tues	Jan 12	Adult Choir 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Wed	Jan 13	Prime Time Crafts 2 – 4 p.m. P S Sacramental Prep 6:30 – 7:30 pm

NESSINGER HALL

Mon	Jan 11	Rosary Apostolate 6 – 9:00 p.m.
Wed	Jan 13	K of C General Meeting 7 – 10:00 p.m. C.I.C. 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Thurs	Jan 14	SVDP Meeting 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.
Sat	Jan 16	Prime Time Potluck 3 – 10:00 p.m.

Perhaps you've been wondering about ... the sacrament of baptism for infants as we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. When an infant is baptised they are being welcomed into the community of faith and ideally that community of faith should be present at the celebration. Because of the size of our parish it is very difficult to celebrate this sacrament during the Sunday Mass which would be the most appropriate time, but we do celebrate on Sunday. The community is represented by members of the Baptism team. Their job is to prepare the altar and the font for the baptism, and to meet and greet the parents and child as they arrive with special instructions for each family. The minister will proclaim the readings and help with the oils and towels at the font. They are there to assist with the families and answer any questions they may have. If anyone would like to share in this ministry of welcome to our youngest members and their families it requires just two hours every other month. Please contact the parish office for more details.




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

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 st Communion / Reconciliation
905 821-1331 Ext. 230	Confirmation
Messages left on these voice mails will be returned by members of the Sacramental Team.	



PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OF THE SICK



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	\$421,840

Please pray
 Heavenly Father
 We ask you to be with us as we
 work together as a family of faith,
 sharing and following the example
 of your son Jesus in loving service.
 May we be inspired by your divine love,
 as we share our time, talent and treasure
 to strengthen our family of faith.
 We ask this through Christ our Lord.
 Amen

PARENTS!

Mark your calendars!

First Communion meetings will be held at St. John of the Cross Church in January 2016 for parents of children having received First Reconciliation in November. Please attend one of these meetings.

Tuesday, January 12th, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

or

Sunday January 17th, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Invitations and registration packages will follow in January 2016. You will be required to submit your child's Baptismal certificate upon registration.

ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY

GROW†NG †N FA†TH

REFLECTION OF THE WEEK

Baptism of the Lord

Pleasing to God

“O bless the Lord, my soul!”

Do you think that God was “well pleased” by your actions in recent weeks?

Needed!

Every other Sunday afternoon we celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism with our young children.

They are being welcomed into our church community and we have always had volunteers who have greeted and guided the families on the special day.

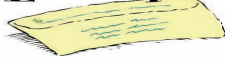
With a team of volunteers, this means a couple of hours, two weekends every few months.

We need some new people to help with this important ministry.

Could you help to welcome these families at this special time?

Please call Kate for more details 905 821-1331 ext 226

Offering Envelopes



2016 SUNDAY OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

As of January 1st, 2016 please use your 2016 Envelopes.

DO NOT USE any previous year's envelopes. Envelopes not picked-up will be re-instated in the computer and given out to new parishioners, assuming that you have moved out of the area. Year will be finalized on the computer the last week of January, 2016 and the 2015 Tax Receipts will be available for pick-up shortly thereafter.

This Weekend is Coffee Sunday!

Library is open this weekend!

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.

COMING SOON!

Video Series with Rev Robert E Baron

We are offering sessions in which to view and discuss this highly acclaimed series on our faith

Monday evenings beginning January 18th at 7:00 pm

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Call Kate 905-821-1331 ext 226



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or Denzel 905 829-3166

Tickets will be sold after masses on the January 16th, 23rd and 30th weekends.

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.

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