

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

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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
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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	Mar 05	2 Kings 5.1-15; Luke 4.24-30
Tues	Mar 06	Daniel 3.25,34-43; Matthew 18.21-35
Wed	Mar 07	Deuteronomy 4.1,5-9; Matthew 5.17-19
Thurs	Mar 08	Jeremiah 7.23-28; Luke 11.14-23
Fri	Mar 09	Hosea 14.1-9; Mark 12.28-34
Sat	Mar 10	Hosea 5.15-6.6; Luke 18.9-14
Sun	Mar 11	2 Chronicles 36.14-17,19-23; Ephesians 2.4-10; John 3.14-21

CHURCH

Mon	Mar 05	Parish Retreat 6:30 –p.m. – 8:00 p.m. R.C.I.A. (after Retreat)
Tues	Mar 06	Parish Retreat 6:30 –p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Adult Choir 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Wed	Mar 07	Parish Retreat 6:30 –p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Thurs	Mar 08	Folk Choir 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Sat	Mar 10	Children's Choir 10:00 a.m.- 11:15 a.m.

SEMINAR ROOM

Mon	Mar 05	R.C.I.A. 7 – 9:00 p.m.
Tues	Mar 06	Adult Choir 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Wed	Mar 07	Prime Time Crafts 2 – 4:00 p.m. PS Sacramental Prep 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Band Practice 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Fri	Mar 09	Bereavement Ministry 6 – 8:30 p.m.
Wed	Mar 10	CFC FFL 6:30- 10:30 p.m.

BOARDROOM

Sat	Mar 10	C.V.I.T.P. 9:00 a.m. - Noon
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NESSINGER HALL

Mon	Mar 05	Parish Retreat 6 – 8:00 p.m.
Tues	Mar 06	Prime Time Line Dancing 1 - 2:30 p.m. Parish Retreat 6 – 8:00 p.m. K of C Exec. Meeting 7 – 10:00 p.m.
Wed	Mar 07	Parish Retreat 6 -8:00 p.m. C.I.C. 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.



LENTEN PARISH MISSION

As we journey through Lent and in preparation for Easter,

Fr. Ahil Sivaraj, S.J. will be visiting

St. John of the Cross Parish.

Fr. Ahil Sivaraj, S.J., from Martyr's Shrine.

Will preach at all the Masses on

Saturday, March 3rd and Sunday, March 4th .

Monday, March 5th, Tuesday, March 6th

& Wednesday, March 7th,

6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Confession

Holy Mass at 7:00 p.m. and Mission Talk and

Blessing with Relics of Canadian Martyrs.

Perhaps you've been wondering about **Lent** and its customs and traditions. Many rituals, customs and traditions have developed in the Roman Catholic celebration of the Lenten season. They help remind us of the important gifts of this holy time. Here are just a few common practices:

Fish Fridays: During Lent, meat is not consumed on Fridays by Catholics. It has been a long custom to eat fish on Fridays instead of Meat. Often, Catholic religious calendars will have a little symbol of a fish on Fridays to remind us of this for abstinence. **Stations of the Cross:** This is a devotional practice often embraced during Lent through which the faithful meditate on the passion, crucifixion, death and burial of Jesus. Most Roman Catholic churches have paintings, carvings, or statues representing the traditional 14 Stations of the Cross around the interior perimeter of the Church, in order to facilitate this prayerful devotion. Sometimes these last moments of Jesus Christ's life are portrayed by actors as an outdoor procession. **Fasting from the Alleluia:** In the Roman rite, we refrain from singing Alleluia during Lent. We fast from this acclamation of praise to the Risen Lord so that we may sing it all the more robustly at Easter. *(From the Archdiocese of Toronto web site)*

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



**REMINDER TO MOVE CLOCKS
FORWARD NEXT WEEKEND**

ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY
GROWING IN FAITH

REFLECTION OF THE WEEK

2nd Sunday of Lent

The Assurance of Faith

“I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.”

What would you like to ask God to do for you and your family?

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.net 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

TOTUS TUUS IS COMING

The children and youth of the parish are invited to join us for *Totus Tuus* (Latin for *Totally Yours*) this summer from Aug 12-17, 2018. Totus Tuus is an Archdiocesan program whereby seminarians and college students travel to different parishes, spreading the Good News of our Lord through catechetical instructions, Mass, confession, songs and games! The grade school program, for children entering grades 1-6, runs Monday-Friday from 9am-2:30 pm. Cost \$30.00 The Intermediate/High School program for Grades 7-12 runs Sunday- Thursday from 7-9 pm. Cost \$30.00 The cost is only \$100 **per person for the entire week**. Discounted rates for two or more children from same family. To register or for more information, please contact by email. More information about the program is also available at www.totustuustoronto.ca

2017 Parish Tax Receipts
are ready for pick-up



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, 13 years of age and above, who want 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

SECOND SUNDAY of LENT - February 25th, 2018

If you need examples of persons responding to God’s call, look at Abraham and Sarah – called in old age to leave their country and have a child. Then Abraham was asked to sacrifice that child. What faith! Answering God’s call to be a priest, brother, sister or deacon is also taking a great risk. If you are willing, and think God is calling you to a Church vocation, 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.”

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)
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