# St. John of the Cross Parish

Served by the Carmelites

PARISH OFFICE 6890 Glen Erin Drive Mississauga, ON L5N 2E1



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.

PASTORAL TEAM		Tel/Voice Mail
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#### **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.

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.

READINGS OF THE WEEK		
Mon	Jan 08	Isaiah 42.1-4,6-7; Mark 1.7-11
Tues	Jan 09	1 Samuel 1.9-20; Mark 1.21-28
Wed	Jan 10	1 Samuel 3.1-10, 19-20; Mark 1.29-39
Thurs	Jan 11	1 Samuel 4.1-11; Mark 1.40-45
Fri	Jan 12	1 Samuel 8.4-7,10-22; Mark 2.1-12
Sat	Jan 13	1 Samuel 9.1-4,17-19;10.1; Mark 2.13-17
Sun	Jan 14	1 Samuel 3.3-10,19; 1 Corinthians 6.13-15,17-20;
		John 1.35-42

#### CHURCH

Tues	Jan 09	Adult Choir 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Wed	Jan 10	Band practice 8 -10:00 p.m.
Thurs	Jan 11	Folk Choir 8 – 10:00 p.m.

Mon	Jan 08	R.C.I.A. 7 – 9:00 p.m.
Wed	Jan 10	Prime Time Crafts 2 – 4:00 p.m.

#### **NESSINGER HALL**

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Sun	Jan 07	Youth Group $7-9:00$ p.m.
Mon	Jan 08	K of C K of Hearts Meeting 7 – 9:30 p.m.
Tues	Jan 09	Adult Faith Formation 6 -9:00 p.m.
Wed	Jan 10	K of C General Meeting 7–9:00 p.m.
		C.I.C. 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Thurs	Jan 11	Prime Time Line Dancing 1 – 2:30 p.m.
Sat	Jan 13	Prime Time Potluck 3 – 11:00 p.m.



Every Wednesday evening there will be a Mass at 7:00 p.m. followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

# PARENTS! Mark your calendars!

First Communion meetings will be held at St. John of the Cross Church in January 2018 for parents of children having received First Reconciliation in November. Please mark your calendars!

Sunday, January 21st, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Invitations and registration packages will follow in January 2018. You will be required to submit your child's Baptismal certificate upon registration.

#### **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

905 821-1331 Ext. 230 Confirmation

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



Perhaps you've been wondering about ... ... having " Happy New Year's Resolutions" as we start the Year 2018. New Year's resolutions are the wonderful opportunity for all of us to gauge our goals in life. First of all we should thank God for opening another new page of our lives, hoping and praying to live each moment to the fullest. Now is our chance to sit down, reflect and prepare a list of important lifestyle changes we need to make. Perhaps by being charitable and caring . Perhaps by being sincere about punctuality and commitments, or becoming more polite. Good manners have always been an important part of a civilized society. They make it easier to connect with others. Good manners enable us to avoid offending people and will ensure that others perceive us as good and trustworthy person. Dealing with rude people in the right way and learning to say no, may be included in the list. Perhaps these resolutions if followed, would help us live a respectful life. Take a pleasure to practice gratitude and moments to reflect on all the wonders of things we appreciate in life including our positive qualities and God given gifts.



#### **2018 SUNDAY OFFFERTORY ENVELOPES**

As of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 please use your 2018 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, 2018 and the 2017 Tax Receipts will be available for pick-up shortly thereafter.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OF THE SICK

## ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY

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#### REFLECTION OF THE WEEK

Epiphany of the Lord Unexpected Gifts.

"Lord, every nation on earth will adore you."

When have you found the presence of Christ in an unexpected place?

#### ADULT FAITH: PIVOTAL PLAYERS

You are invited to a series of learning and discussion on Tuesday evenings about the different pivotal players who contributed to the Catholic church through the centuries.

Mark your calendars!

We'll start on Tuesday **January 9<sup>th</sup>**, 6 pm Register for free. Call Liane, 905-821-1331 ext 226

#### PERSON WITH SKETCHING TALENTS NEEDED

Our Gardening Committee is leading an effort to convert the non-repairable fountain garden in the front lawn into an accessible outdoor meditation area with an appropriate statue and benches. A horseshoe shaped area is envisaged with the opening facing the church and this be accomplished by re-using the existing rockery and shrubberies. A small fund-raising effort is envisaged to accomplish this and the information poster could benefit from a sketch (hand drawn or computer generated) depicting what it would look like. If you have such skills, please contact Al at 416-970-9242.

**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 Thursday at 1:00 pm.

Contact - Mary Wong 905 824 8537

#### 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 directly. Please pass on the word and let us be a parish of compassion and consolation, reaching out to

those who suffer alone. For information: muriel1066@bell.nett Muriel Haney 905 507-1581



The ShareLife office has released a Report to Donors sharing the results of the 2017 campaign and demonstrating how our support has made a difference. Copies of the report are available at the parish, or can be downloaded from the ShareLife website at <a href="https://www.sharelife.org">www.sharelife.org</a>.





### Knight of Hearts 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Knight of Hearts Valentine Dinner / Dance Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Swagat Banquet Hall
Ticket are \$45 per person.
For tickets contact:
Trevor 905 785-2973 or Mike 905 819-1414



### INFORMATION MEETING for the 2017 -2018 EXTENDED FRENCH PROGRAM

Parents/Guardians are invited to attend Extended French Immersion Information Meeting at St. Therese of the Child Jesus School, 6930 Forest Park Drive, Mississauga, on Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. For additional information contact 905 785-0066

# INFORMATION SESSION TO SUPPORT THE TRANSITION OF CHILDREN WITH DIFFERING ABILITES INTO KINDERGARTEN 2018

There will be an information and entry planning session for families of children with differing abilities including vision, hearing, autism, physical/medical and/or developmental delays who are transitioning to Kindergarten in September 2018. The information session will be held at the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board – Catholic Education Centre, Room 301 on Thursday, January 25, 2018 from 7pm to 8:30 pm. Snow date, Monday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from 7pm to 8:30 pm. Families are also reminded to register their child at the local school. Kindergarten registration for the 2018-19 school year will be held at all Dufferin-Peel Catholic elementary schools on Monday, January 15, 2018 from 7pm to 9 p.m. and Wednesday, January 17-19, 2018 from 9am to 3pm. \*A snow date has been designated on Tuesday, January 16, 2018 from 7pm to 9pm.

## OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### EPIPHANY - January 7, 2018

The Son of God was first manifested to the world through the visit of the magi. Today, God's Son is brought into the world and is pressession for familieent to the world through His Church. If you think that God is 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

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