

# 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

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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St. Albert of Jerusalem	905-785-9298
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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**

## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

### READINGS OF THE WEEK

Mon	Feb 26	Daniel 9.3,4-10; Luke 6.36-38
Tues	Feb 27	Isaiah 1,10,16-20,27-28,31; Matthew 23.1-12
Wed	Feb 28	Jeremiah 18.18.-20; Matthew 20.17-28
Thurs	Mar 01	Jeremiah 17.5-10; Luke 16.19-31
Fri	Mar 02	Genesis 37.3-4,12-13,17-28; Mt 21.33-43,45-46
Sat	Mar 03	Micah 7.14-15,18-20; Luke 15.1-3,11-32
Sun	Mar 04	Exodus 20.1-17; 1 Corinthians 1.18,22-25; John 2.13-25

### CHURCH

Mon	Feb 26	R.C.I.A. 7 – 9:00 p.m.
Tues	Feb 27	Resurrection Choir 10:00 am - noon Adult Choir 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Wed	Feb 28	Band Practice 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Thurs	Mar 01	Folk Choir 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Fri	Mar 02	St. Richard 9:30 a.m. Reconciliation
Sat	Mar 03	Confirmation Retreat 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

### SEMINAR ROOM

Mon	Feb 26	R.C.I.A. 7 – 9:00 p.m.
Wed	Feb 28	Prime Time Crafts 2 – 4:00 p.m. PS Sacramental Prep 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. New Beginnings 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.
Sat	Mar 03	Lay Carmelites 9:00 a.m. - Noon Christian Life Program 6:30 -10:30 p.m.

### BOARDROOM

Sat	Mar 03	Confirmation Retreat 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
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### NESSINGER HALL

Sun	Feb 25	Welcome Committee Orientation 5 – 8:00 p.m.
Tues	Feb 27	Prime Time Line Dancing 1 - 2:30 p.m.
Wed	Feb 28	C.I.C. 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Sat	Mar 03	Confirmation Retreat 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 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 3<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup>.**

**Monday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>  
& Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup>,  
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 ... what we are going to be doing in our parish to mark the Lenten season this year. Here are some of our plans and the reason behind them. We will be trying to emphasize the season by clearing any from the church and leaving a clear area of focus, which is just what we are asked to do in our lives as well, making sure we put God first. A central part of our Lenten focus is the cross, which will be decorated in a suitable way to highlight it for the season. Another main focus of this period is the **Elect**, those chosen for Baptism at Easter. The beginning of Lent marks the time when they pledge their commitment to Baptism by signing a special book, "**The Book of the Elect.**" This book will form the theme of our display in the rotunda and we invite parishioners to look at the names and pictures of these people and support them with your prayers. We hope these small signs will help our celebration of the season.

## 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

### 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.

### Deacon's Homily

Visit [www.canysys.com/lent](http://www.canysys.com/lent)

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**REFLECTION OF THE WEEK**

2<sup>nd</sup> 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?

**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 9<sup>th</sup> to April 20<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

For information: [muriel1066@bell.nett](mailto:muriel1066@bell.nett) 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



VISIT  
OUR  
CHURCH  
LIBRARY

**Parish Library News**

The Parish Library will be open before and after the **5pm** mass on Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> and the **10am** and **Noon** masses on Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup>. The Library is located outside of Nessinger Hall and has religious books for children, teens and adults. The Library is free to all registered members and you get a one loan. Please return all due and overdue books at these times or drop off in the office during the week. Hope to see you there!



**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 25<sup>th</sup>, 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](mailto: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.”

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND**

Celebrate your love and take a fresh look at your marriage! Spend a very special weekend together. A Weekend of discovery...a lifetime of love! Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend getaway that helps married couples rediscover themselves as individuals and as a couple. The Weekend format helps couples communicate openly and honestly without group sharing, therapy or marriage counselling.

**Upcoming Weekend: March 2-4, 2018 (Four Points by Sheraton, Argentia Rd., Mississauga)** For more information and application, please go to [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org) or contact: Gerard & Marge McCauley at [gerard.marge@rogers.com](mailto:gerard.marge@rogers.com) or (905) 792-1925.

**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.vocationtoronto.ca](http://www.vocationtoronto.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 9<sup>th</sup> 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) **CONTACT:** Mary Filangi **PHONE:** 416-453-0402

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