

# 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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Fr. Felix Antony, O.Carm., Assoc. Pastor	224
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3700 Trelawny Circle, Mississauga	

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**

## PALM SUNDAY

### READINGS OF THE WEEK

Mon	Mar 26	Isaiah 42.1-7; John 12.1-11
Tues	Mar 27	Isaiah 49.1-6; John 13.21-33,36-38
Wed	Mar 28	Isaiah 50.4-9; Matthew 26.14-26
Thurs	Mar 29	Isaiah 61.1-3,6,8-9; Rev. 1.4-8; Luke 4.16-21
Fri	Mar 30	Exodus 12.1-8; 1 Cor. 11.23-26; John 13.1-15
Sat	Mar 31	Genesis 1.1-2.2; Genesis 22.1-18; Mark 16.1-8
Sun	Apr 01	Acts 10.34,37-43; Col 3.1-4; John 20.1-18

### CHURCH

Sun	Mar 25	Youth Group Practice 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.
Tues	Mar 27	Resurrection Choir 10:00 a.m. –noon Confirmation Youth Mass 7:00 p.m.
Wed	Mar 28	Band Practice 8 – 10:00 p.m.

### SEMINAR ROOM

Mon	Mar 26	R.C.I.A. 7 – 9:00 p.m.
Tues	Mar 27	Adult Choir 8 – 10:00 p.m.
Wed	Mar 28	Prime Time Crafts 2 – 4:00 p.m. PS Sacramental Prep 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Sat	Mar 31	Children's Choir 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. R.C.I.A. 10:00 a.m. - midnight

### NESSINGER HALL

Tues	Mar 27	Prime Time Line Dancing 1 - 2:30 p.m.
Wed	Mar 28	New Beginnings 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. C.I.C. 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
Sat	Mar 31	R.C.I.A. 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.

### HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE - 2018

#### PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY (blessing of the Palms)

Mar 24 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	5:00 PM
Mar 25 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	8:00 AM, 10:00AM, 12:00 PM, 4:00 PM
Mar 26 <sup>th</sup>	Monday	Mass: 9:00 AM
Mar 27 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday	Mass: 9:00 AM Chrism Mass at Cathedral - 11:00 AM <b>Youth Mass Confirmation Candidates 7 PM</b>
Mar 28 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	Mass: 9:00 AM Mass 7:00 PM

#### HOLY THURSDAY

**Mass of the Lord's Supper 8:00 PM**  
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
9:00 PM – 11:30 PM

#### GOOD FRIDAY

No Confessions  
**10:00 AM** Stations of the Cross by our youth  
Veneration and Holy Communion  
**3:00 PM & 7:00 PM**  
**Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion**

#### HOLY SATURDAY

No Confessions, No Masses during the day  
**Solemn Easter Vigil – 8:30 PM**

#### EASTER SUNDAY

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM, 4:00 PM

Apr 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Monday	Easter Monday Mass: 9:00 AM at Church <i>Easter Monday: Parish Office closed</i>
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Perhaps you've been wondering about ...

**Holy Week.** It is the most sacred time in the life of a parish community. It is what we have been preparing for all of Lent. It is the highlight of what our faith life is all about. So don't miss the best part! As we enter the holiest of weeks, know that your presence at these liturgies is important. Each service is unique. The solemn liturgies for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday are among the very best things we do in the church. Don't miss these celebrations! Yes, they are longer than usual. Yes, they are different, but isn't that to be expected? Special events always cause us to change our ordinary routine way of doing things. That should not surprise us. Join our parish community for these special celebrations. You won't be disappointed. The celebrations of this holy week are a climactic conclusion to our Lenten experience. As we move from the "hosannas" of Palm Sunday to the remembrance table of Holy Thursday, may our faith strengthen us to go from the Good Friday Cross of Calvary to the living waters of Holy Saturday and to the joy of Easter "Alleluias!" *Based on insert by Fr. Richard Husted OFM for Ministry Resource Update*

#### Holy Thursday – Request!

An important part of the Holy Thursday Mass of the Last Supper is the washing of feet, which reminds us that we are called by Jesus to serve each other as He served his disciples.

If you would like to have your feet washed as part of this service, please call Liane Harris at the parish office 905 821-1331 ext. 226

#### LET'S CELEBRATE

The Easter Vigil is our greatest celebration of the year. It is when we baptize anyone older than 7 years old, and when we receive the adults who wish to become members of our Catholic Church. Following the wonderful service there is a reception to welcome our new members.

If anyone can contribute to this celebration please call Liane at 905 821-1331 ext. 226 or drop something off in the kitchen at the Church, Saturday morning March 31<sup>st</sup> **and then come and join us for our wonderful liturgy at 8:30 p.m. in the evening!**

**ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT MINISTRY**

GROWING IN FAITH

**REFLECTION OF THE WEEK**

Passion (Palm) Sunday

Surrender to God's Will

**"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"**

"When have you found it hardest to accept God's will?

What enables you to accept it?"



**PRAY FOR THE ELECT**

Please take a name from the basket of the Elect in the Rotunda and pray for those preparing to become members of our church at Easter. *Thank-you*

**FIRST COMMUNION CAN YOU HELP**

First Communions will be celebrated from April 8<sup>th</sup> to April 29<sup>th</sup>. Volunteers are needed to help at the extra special 2:00 p.m. Masses on Sunday. We are looking for people who could come early (about 45 minutes before Mass begins) to put out the "reserved" signs and to welcome the First Communion children and their families as they arrive. If you can help at any of these Masses, please call the parish at 905 821-1331 ext. 225



**EASTER LILIES NEEDED**

The Altar Society would appreciate donations of Easter Lilies to be used to decorate the church for Easter. They ask that you bring the lilies on Holy Thursday and to please leave them by the statue of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in the rotunda. Thank you.

**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

**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.

**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 [stjoctotustuus@gmail.com](mailto:stjoctotustuus@gmail.com). More information about the program is also available at [www.totustuustoronto.ca](http://www.totustuustoronto.ca)

**OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PASSION SUNDAY - March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

Blessed are those who come in the Name of the Lord! Blessed are they who live their lives in the Name of the Lord! If you feel God is giving you the blessing of a call 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](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."

**SJOC YOUTH WAVE**

The SJOC youth group will be taking a group to the Steubenville Conference in Oshawa from July 13th-15th, if you are a high-school student that would like to attend or an adult that can chaperon please contact Dylan Francis.

- Stations of the Cross Tableau practice will take place Sunday March 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

- Youth Group Meeting this Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

Email: [stjohnofthecross.youthgroup@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnofthecross.youthgroup@gmail.com)

Jeremiah 29:11- *For I know the plans I have for you, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future*

**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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