

St. John of the Cross Parish

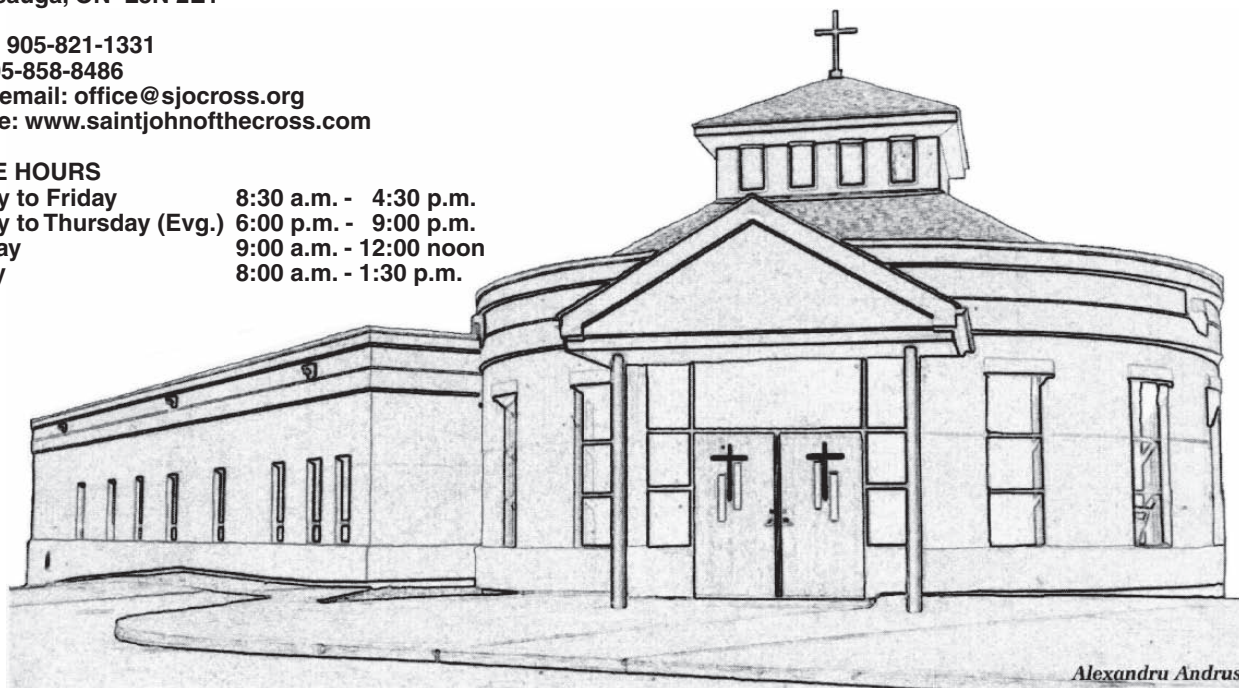
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OFFICE HOURS

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.
Every Wednesday: additional mass 7:00 p.m.
followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
First Friday: additional mass 7:00 p.m.
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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SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

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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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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

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Mon	Oct. 1	Job 1:6-22; Luke 9:46-50
Tues	Oct. 2	Exodus 23:20-23a; Matthew 18:1-5, 10
Wed	Oct. 3	Job 9:1-12, 14-16; Luke 9:57-62
Thurs	Oct. 4	Job 19:21-27; Luke 10: 1-12
Fri	Oct. 5	Job 38:12-21; 40:3-5; Luke 10:13-16
Sat	Oct. 6	Job 42:1-3,5-6,12-13,15-17; Luke 10:17-24
Sun	Oct. 7	Genesis:2.7ab, 15,18-24; Hebrews 2:9-11; Mark 10:2-16

CHURCH

Mon	Oct. 1	Confirmation 7:00-8:30pm
Tues	Oct. 2	Adult Choir 8:00-10:00pm
Thurs	Oct. 4	Folk Choir 7:00-10:00pm
Fri	Oct. 5	Life in the Spirit Seminar 7:00-9:00pm
Sat	Oct. 6	Children Choir Practice 10:00-11:15am

SEMINAR ROOM

Mon	Oct. 1	Parish Rep Meeting 7:00-9:00pm
Tue	Oct. 2	Liturgy of the Word for Children Training 7 - 9pm
Wed	Oct. 3	Prime Time Crafts 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.
Wed	Oct. 3	Band Practice 8:00-10:00pm
Fri	Oct. 5	Bereavement Ministry, 6:00-8:30pm

NESSINGER HALL

Mon	Oct. 1	Knights of Columbus 7:00-9:00pm
Mon	Oct. 1	RCIA 7:00-9:00pm
Tue	Oct. 2	Prime Time Line Dancing 1:00-2:30pm
Tue	Oct. 2	Knights of Columbus Exec. Meeting 7:00-10:00pm
Fri	Oct. 5	Life in the Spirit Seminar 8:00-9:15pm
Sat	Oct. 6	CFCFFL 6:30-10:00pm



Would you like one of the priests or the deacon from St. John of the Cross Parish visit you while you are in the hospital? Or would you like to celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick? *Please let us know by calling the parish office.*

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Telephone voice mail extensions at the parish for questions regarding sacramental preparation for baptized children attending Catholic school. Message will be returned by Sacramental Team.

905.821.1331 x 225 1st Communion / Reconciliation
 905.821.1331 x 230 Confirmation

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

1ST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATION & ADORATION
OCTOBER 5, 7pm
COMMUNITY ROSARY, 6:30pm
BRING YOUR FAMILY!



POPE BENEDICT ON HIS PASTORAL VISIT TO LORETTO



To the Angel who reveals God's plan for her, Mary replies in similar words: "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be done to me according to your word" (*Lk 1:38*). The will of Mary coincides with the will of the Son in the Father's unique project of love and, in her, heaven and earth are united, God the Creator is united to his creature. God becomes man, and Mary becomes a "living house" for the Lord, a temple where the Most High dwells. The idea of the Son of God dwelling in the "living house", the temple which is Mary, leads us to another thought: we must recognize that where God dwells, all are "at home"; wherever Christ dwells, his brothers and sisters are no longer strangers. Mary, who is the Mother of Christ, is also our mother, and she open to us the door to her home, she helps us enter into the will of her Son. So it is faith which gives us a home in this world, which brings us together in one family and which makes all of us brothers and sisters. As we contemplate Mary, we must ask if we too wish to be open to the Lord, if we wish to offer our life as his dwelling place; or if we are afraid that the presence of God may somehow place limits on our freedom, if we wish to set aside a part of our life in such a way that it belongs only to us. Yet it is precisely God who liberates our liberty, he frees it from being closed in on itself, from the thirst for power, possessions, and domination; he opens it up to the dimension which completely fulfils it: the gift of self, of love, which in turn becomes service and sharing.

In one of his most celebrated sermons, Saint Bernard of Clairvaux "recreates", as it were, the scene where God and humanity wait for Mary to say "yes". Turning to her he begs: "The angel awaits your response, as he must now return to the One who sent him... O Lady, give that reply which the earth, the underworld and the very heavens await. Just as the King and Lord of all wished to behold your beauty, in the same way he earnestly desires your word of consent... Arise, run, open up! Arise with faith, run with your devotion, open up with your consent!" (*In laudibus Virginis Matris, Hom. IV,8: Opera omnia*, Edit. Cisterc. 4, 1966, p.53f). God asks for Mary's free consent that he may become man. To be sure, the "yes" of the Virgin is the fruit of divine grace. But grace does not eliminate freedom; on the contrary it creates and sustains it. Faith removes nothing from the human creature, rather it permits his full and final realization. (Excerpts from Pope Benedict's Homily during his Pastoral Visit to Loretto, 2012 October 4)

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THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

is the process for people to both enter the Catholic Church and complete the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Eucharist) as adults. If you, or someone you know, is interested in becoming full members of the Catholic Church, please contact or have them contact the parish office at 905 821-1331.

The next program begins October 15.



THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR CHILDREN (RCIC)

Similar to the RCIA, the RCIC is a program for children between the ages of 7 and 14 who have not yet been baptized. For more information, contact the parish office at 905 821-1331 soon.

The next program begins on October 17.

A CARMELITE MOMENT

St. Therese of the Child Jesus

Born in Alencon, France in 1873 and died on September 30, 1897.

From the autobiography, "O Jesus, my Love ... my vocation, at last I have found it ... My vocation is Love!" "Yes, I have found my place in the Church and it is you, O my God, who have given me this place; in the heart of the Church, my Mother, I shall be love."



Have you found this same love of God?

BEREAVEMENT SESSIONS

This ministry offers spiritual support in a group setting and the healing comfort of God to all who mourn a loss through death. Our ministers' journey with the person through their grief, offering consolation and compassion.

The next 6-week group session will start on **October 5** thru November 9, Fridays, 6:30-8:30pm.

To register, contact the parish office (905) 821.1331 or Muriel Haney at muriel1066@bell.net.

CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION MEETINGS

Grade 7 and above, meetings for parents and candidates will take place at the church on

Monday, October 1st, 7:00 – 8:30pm

Please complete and print the confirmation form, if possible, before coming to the meeting. You will find the form at sjocym.com/confirmation.

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

We are looking for individuals in Grade 5 and above interested in becoming an altar server. There will be a 3-session training here in the church for you to attend. You will need to attend all three.

Thursday, October 11, 6:45-8:00pm
Thursday, October 18, 6:45-8:00pm
Thursday, October 25, 6:45-8:00pm

For more info, call Anne-Marie, 905.785.9688.



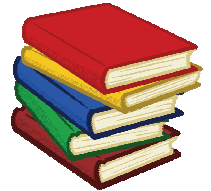
LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

The Liturgy of the Word with Children ministry is currently looking for new adult leaders. You do not have to be a teacher or have experience working with children, all you need is a passion for sharing your faith with others! A training session for new/potential leaders is being planned for late September or early October.

Come to the parish office and fill out a sign-up sheet.

PARISH LIBRARY NEWS

The Parish Library is located in the bookcases outside Nessinger Hall. We have religious books for children, teens, and adults to enrich your journey through our Catholic Faith. The Library is FREE to all registered members of St. John of the Cross Parish. Please come by and browse the collection before or after the 5pm mass on Saturday, October 6th or before or after the 10am or noon masses on Sunday, October 7th.



FALL RECYCLING DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus is running a Fall Recycling Drive **this weekend**. They will be collecting: electronic devices, metal, wires, appliances, computers, pipes, pots & pans, tire rims, and more. Please refer to the flyers posted around the parish for a full list of items. A collection area will be set up at the back of the parish parking lot. Items will be collected from 9am to 6pm on Saturday, Sept. 29th and before & after each mass on Sunday, Sept. 30th. The Fall Recycling Drive is in support of the Canadian Wheelchair Foundation.

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