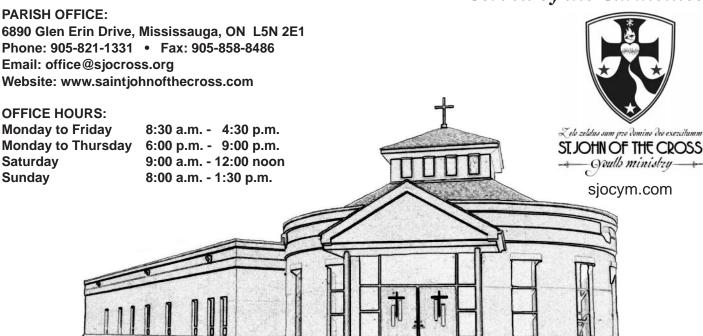
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# St. John of the Cross Parish

Served by the Carmelites



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.

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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.

#### SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Please contact the parish office if confined to home or hospitalization so sacramental care may be provided.

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	Oct. 22	Eph 2:1-10; Luke 12:13-21
Tues	Oct. 23	Eph 2:12-22; Luke 12: 35-38
Wed	Oct. 24	Eph 3:1-12++; Luke 12:39-48
Thurs	Oct. 25	Eph 3:13-21++; Luke 12:49-53
Fri	Oct. 26	Eph 4:1-6; Luke 12:54-59
Sat	Oct. 27	Eph 4:7-16; Luke 13:1-9
Sun	Oct. 28	Jeremiah 31:7-9; Heb 5:1-6; Mark 10:46-52

#### CHURCH

Tues	Oct. 23	Adult Choir 8:00-10:00pm
Wed	Oct. 24	Band Practice 8:00-10:00pm
Thurs	Oct. 25	Altar Servers Training 6:45-8:00pm
Thurs	Oct. 25	Folk Choir 7:00-10:00pm
Sun	Oct. 28	Baptism 2:00pm

#### SEMINAR ROOM

Mon	Oct. 22	RCIA 7:00-9:00pm
Tues	Oct. 23	Rosary Apostolate 9:30-11:30am
Tues	Oct. 23	Baptism Preparation 7:00-9:00pm
Wed	Oct. 24	Prime Time Crafts 1:30 – 4:30 pm
Wed	Oct. 24	Sacramental Preparation 6:30-7:30pm
Thurs	Oct. 25	Marriage Preparation 7:00-9:00pm
Fri	Oct. 26	Bereavement Ministry 6:00-8:30pm

#### **NESSINGER HALL**

Tues	Oct. 23	Prime Time Line Dancing 1:00-2:30pm
Tues	Oct. 23	Marriage Preparation 7:00-9:00pm
Wed	Oct. 24	RCIC 6:30-7:30pm
Wed	Oct. 24	New Beginnings 7:30-9:30pm
Fri	Oct. 26	Confirmation 6:30-8:30pm
Sat	Oct. 27	CFCFFL 12:00-4:00pm
Sat	Oct. 27	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.

PRAY THE HOLY ROSARY FOR THE CONVERSION OF SINNERS AND FOR PEACE IN OUR WORLD.

# The Missionary Power of Intercessory Prayer



281. One form of prayer moves us particularly to take up the task of evangelization and to seek the good of others: it is the prayer of intercession. Let us

peer for a moment into the

heart of Saint Paul, to see what his prayer was like. It was full of people: "...I constantly pray with you in every one of my prayers for all of you... because I hold you in my heart" (*Phil* 1:4, 7). Here we see that intercessory prayer does not divert us from true contemplation, since authentic contemplation always has a place for others.

282. This attitude becomes a prayer of gratitude to God for others. "First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you" (Rom 1:8). It is constant thankfulness: "I give thanks to God always for you because of the grace of God which was given you in Christ Jesus" (1 Cor 1:4); "I thank my God in all my remembrance of you" (*Phil* 1:3). Far from being suspicious, negative and despairing, it is a spiritual gaze born of deep faith which acknowledges what God is doing in the lives of others. At the same time, it is the gratitude which flows from a heart attentive to others. When evangelizers rise from prayer, their hearts are more open; freed of self-absorption, they are desirous of doing good and sharing their lives with others.

283. The great men and women of God were great intercessors. Intercession is like a "leaven" in the heart of the Trinity. It is a way of penetrating the Father's heart and discovering new dimensions which can shed light on concrete situations and change them. We can say that God's heart is touched by our intercession, yet in reality he is always there first. What our intercession achieves is that his power, his love and his faithfulness are shown ever more clearly in the midst of the people.

(Excerpts from Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation Evangelii Gaudium http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost\_exhortations/docu ments/papa-francesco\_esortazione-ap\_20131124\_evangelii-gaudium.html#The\_missionary\_power\_of\_intercessory\_prayer)

#### CONFIRMATION MAKE UP SESSION

Those who missed the Confirmation Meetings need to come on Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 6:30-8:30pm.

#### A CARMELITE MOMENT

St. Nuno Alvarez Pereira (1360-1431)

Constable of Carmel, you were a national hero, and gave away your wealth to enter Carmel. May we put on the armour of God, through prayer and discipline.

**PRIME TIME CLUB -** (a social group for those over 50) Membership - \$10 per year.

Held occasionally are outings, Saturday evening dinners in Nessinger hall and luncheons in local restaurants. Held weekly are Line Dancing on Tuesdays at 1pm and Craft Group on Wednesdays at 2pm.

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"We cannot do everything and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. It enables us to do something and to do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest." - St. Oscar Romero (1917-1980)





## World Mission Sunday Special Collection

There will be a second collection today for the Evangelization of the Nations, otherwise known as World Mission Sunday. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary church and it is our opportunity to assist at-need Catholic communities globally. Offerings are combined with offerings from other Catholics around the world and distributed to missions and dioceses. We are called to share from our abundance with those less fortunate who lack the basic essentials to know, love, and praise our God.

Thank you for your support of this important work.

### **MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS 2018**

A municipal election will be held on Monday,
October 22. All Catholics are strongly
encouraged to exercise their democratic right to
vote. To help learn more about the candidates for Catholic
School Board Trustee, Cardinal Collins has given
permission for these candidates to distribute literature to
parishioners departing Mass on weekends from September
29/30 through October 20/21. We hope you'll take the time
to get to know those seeking elected office.

To ensure your vote for Catholic School Board Trustee, at the polling booth, **verify** that you are registered as a separate school supporter. If your support status is incorrect, ask for an Application to Amend Voters' List. This form may be completed and submitted at the polling station. Thank you for your interest and involvement in this fall's municipal election!

# VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION EVENING

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