

St. John of the Cross Parish

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Youth ministry

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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
 Monday to Thursday 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.



Alexandru Andrus

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.

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

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

PASTORAL TEAM

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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
 St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus 905-785-0066
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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.

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Mon	Nov. 12	Titus 1:1-9; Luke 17:1-6
Tues	Nov. 13	Titus 2:1-8, 11-14; Luke 17:7-10
Wed	Nov. 14	Titus 3:1-7; Luke 17:11-19
Thurs	Nov. 15	Philemon 7:20; Luke 17:20-25
Fri	Nov. 16	2 John 4-9; Luke 17:26-37
Sat	Nov. 17	3 John 5-8; Luke 18:1-8
Sun	Nov. 18	

CHURCH

Tues	Nov. 13	First Reconciliation 7:00pm
Tues	Nov. 13	Adult Choir 8:00-10:00pm
Wed	Nov. 14	Band Practice 8:00-10:00pm
Thurs	Nov. 15	Reconciliation 7:00pm
Thurs	Nov. 15	Folk Choir 7:00-10:00pm
Fri	Nov. 16	Reconciliation 7:00pm
Sat	Nov. 17	Children's Choir Practice 10:00-11:15am

SEMINAR ROOM

Mon	Nov. 12	RCIA 7:00-9:00pm
Tues	Nov. 13	Knights of Columbus 7:00-9:00pm
Wed	Nov. 14	Prime Time Crafts 1:30 – 4:30 pm
Wed	Nov. 14	Sacramental Preparation 6:30-7:30pm
Thurs	Nov. 15	Youth Ministry 10:00am-noon
Thurs	Nov. 15	Baptism Preparation 7:00-9:00pm

NESSINGER HALL

Mon	Nov. 12	EDGE 6:00-9:00pm
Tues	Nov. 13	Prime Time Line Dancing 1:00-2:30pm
Wed	Nov. 14	RCIC 6:30-7:30pm
Wed	Nov. 14	Knights of Columbus Exec. 7:00-10:00pm
Fri	Nov. 16	Bereavement Ministry 6:00-8:30pm
Fri	Nov. 16	CFC 7:00-10:00pm



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.*



Next weekend is coffee Sunday hosted by the Lectors.

Come and Mingle!

*God said to me, "You are she who is not, and I am the One Who Is."
St. Catherine of Siena (1347 – 1380)*

DISCERNMENT

166. How can we know if something comes from the Holy Spirit or if it stems from the spirit of the world or the spirit of the devil? The only way is through discernment, which calls for something more than intelligence or common sense. It is a gift which we must implore. If we ask with confidence that the Holy Spirit grant us this gift, and then seek to develop it through prayer, reflection, reading and good counsel, then surely we will grow in this spiritual endowment.

A supernatural gift

170. Certainly, spiritual discernment does not exclude existential, psychological, sociological or moral insights drawn from the human sciences. At the same time, it transcends them. Nor are the Church's sound norms sufficient. We should always remember that discernment is a grace. Even though it includes reason and prudence, it goes beyond them, for it seeks a glimpse of that unique and mysterious plan that God has for each of us, which takes shape amid so many varied situations and limitations. It involves more than my temporal well-being, my satisfaction at having accomplished something useful, or even my desire for peace of mind. It has to do with the meaning of my life before the Father who knows and loves me, with the real purpose of my life, which nobody knows better than he. Ultimately, discernment leads to the wellspring of undying life: to know the Father, the only true God, and the one whom he has sent, Jesus Christ (cf. *Jn 17:3*).

174. An essential condition for progress in discernment is a growing understanding of God's patience and his timetable, which are never our own. God does not pour down fire upon those who are unfaithful (cf. *Lk 9:54*), or allow the zealous to uproot the tares growing among the wheat (cf. *Mt 13:29*). Generosity too is demanded, for "it is more blessed to give than to receive" (*Acts 20:35*). Discernment is not about discovering what more we can get out of this life, but about recognizing how we can better accomplish the mission entrusted to us at our baptism.

(Excerpts from Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation *Gaudete et Exsultate*
http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_exhortations/documents/papa-francesco_esortazione-ap_20180319_gaudete-et-exsultate.html

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.

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. Contact Mary at 905.824.8537.

PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY

The last two photo session times that are available are listed below. Please book your time slot soon.

Friday, November 16th, 3:00-4:00pm and
Friday, November 23rd, 4:30-6:00pm

BUNDLE UP COLLECTION

The St. Vincent de Paul Society will have a clothing drive next weekend. A collection bin will be in the parish parking lot on this weekend for you to drop off used clothing, footwear, beddings, draperies, and towels. Donations received are used to help the many charitable works of the society. *Thank you for your generosity.*



SHEPHERDS' TRUST

The Shepherds Trust collection will take place next weekend. Envelopes will be distributed this weekend.

This fund does more than just support our priests in their retirement years; it is a

tangible way to care for those who always cared for us and give thanks for the blessings we have received through them.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



A CARMELITE MOMENT

Blessed Maria Teresa Scilli

Mother Maria Teresa was profoundly connected to Carmelite spirituality since childhood. The spirit of contemplation, total abandonment to the will of God, and deep union with the Lord were the characteristics of her spiritual life. Her prayer added the aspect of reparation for offenses inflicted on God, of praise, of joy in Him, of profound union, of faith. The "pure love" for God pushes one to the generous offering of oneself to others, "to leave God for God," even to the point of making a fourth vow: "to give oneself over to neighbor by means of both Christian and civil moral instruction."



BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

"Fill a bottle, make a difference!"



The Knights of Columbus Council 12706 at St. John of the Cross will be participating in BBC 2018 in support of JFJ Hope Centre in their 70th anniversary year. Because of you, a young couple can receive counselling for an unplanned pregnancy, a single mom will get practical help and parenting supports, and children will benefit from the relationship counselling their parents' receive. **Strong families build a strong world.** Thank you for strengthening families! BBC 2018 will kick off on **Saturday, November 17th** and run until Sunday, December 9th. Want to donate without filling a bottle? No problem – use this link: <http://jfjhopecentre.ca/bbc/> to donate through Canada Helps. Thank you!



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