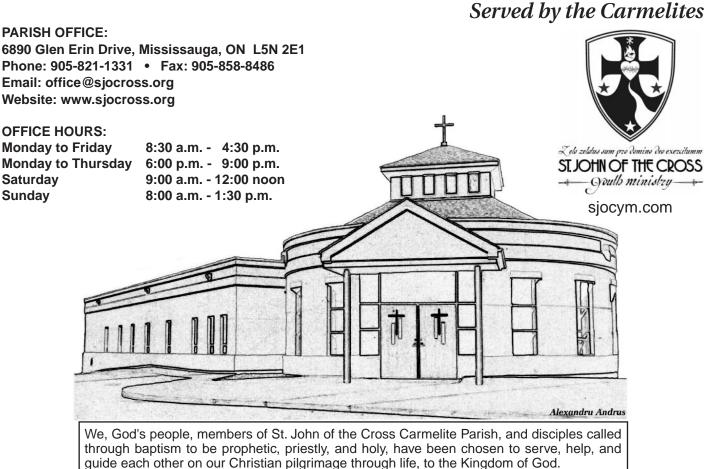
St. John of the Cross Parish



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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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
Our Lady of Mount Carmel	905-824-1025

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

СШІРСИ

Mon	Jan. 21	Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 2:18-22
Tues	Jan. 22	Hebrews 6:10-20; Mark 2:23-28
Wed	Jan. 23	Hebrews 7:1-3. 15-17; Mark 3:1-6
Thurs	Jan. 24	Hebrews 7:25-8:6; Mark 3:7-12
Fri	Jan. 25	Acts 22:3-16; Mark 16:15-18
Sat	Jan. 26	2 Timothy 1:1-8; Luke 10:1-9
Sun	Jan. 27	Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10++; 1 Corinthians 12:12-
		30; Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Sun	Jan. 20	Baptism 2:00pm	
Sun	Jan. 20	First communion Registration 7:00-8:30pm	
Tue	Jan. 22	First Communion Registration 7:30-8:30pm	
Tue	Jan. 22	Adult Choir Practice 8:00-10:00pm	
Wed	Jan. 23	Band Practice 8:00-10:00pm	
Thurs	Jan. 24	St. Elizabeth Seton Feast Day Mass 6:30pm	
Thurs	Jan. 24	Folk Choir Practice 8:00-10:00pm	

SEMINAR ROOM

Sun	Jan. 20	Knights of Columbus, 5:15-6:00pm
Mon	Jan. 21	RCIA 7:00-9:00pm
Tue	Jan. 22	Rosary Apostolate, 9:30-11:30am
Tue	Jan. 22	Knights of Columbus 6:30-7:30pm
Wed	Jan. 23	Prime Time Crafts 1:30–4:30 pm
Wed	Jan. 23	RCIC Group 2 6:30-7:30pm

NESSINGER HALL

Mon	Jan. 21	EDGE 6:00-9:00pm
Tue	Jan. 22	Prime Time Line Dancing 1:00-2:30pm
Wed	Jan. 23	RCIC Group 1 6:30-7:30pm
Thurs	Jan. 24	St. Elizabeth Seton School Feast Day 6:30-9:00pm
Fri	Jan. 25	ABC LIFETEEN 6:30-8:30pm
Sat	Jan. 26	New Beginnings 10:00-11:00am



Would you like one of the priests or the deacon from our parish visit you while you are in the hospital? *Please let us know by calling the parish office*, 905.821.1331.



WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT There is a promise of marriage between:

Andrew Alves & Hayley Kelly

LET US PRAY FOR THIS COUPLE FOR A HAPPY MARRIAGE.

CHURCH VOCATIONS

Pray to know how God wants to use your talents and abilities. Could it be that He is calling you to consider priesthood or religious life? If you think God is calling you to any of these vocations, please call Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto, 416.968.0997, email vocations@archtoronto.org.

ON CHRISTIAN LOVE

"God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him" (<u>1 Jn 4:16</u>).

Let us consider the saints, who exercised charity in an exemplary way. Our thoughts turn especially to Martin of Tours († 397), the soldier who became a monk and a bishop: he is almost like an icon, illustrating the irreplaceable value of the individual testimony to charity. At the gates of Amiens, Martin gave half of his cloak to a poor man: Jesus himself, that night, appeared to him in a dream wearing that cloak, confirming the permanent validity of the Gospel saying: "I was naked and you clothed me ... as you did it to me" (Mt 25:36, 40).

Outstanding among the saints is Mary, Mother of the Lord and mirror of all holiness.Mary has truly become the Mother of all believers. Men and women of every time and place have recourse to her motherly kindness and her virginal purity and grace, in all their needs and aspirations, their joys and sorrows, their moments of loneliness and their common endeavours. They constantly experience the gift of her goodness and the unfailing love which she pours out from the depths of her heart. The testimonials of gratitude, offered to her from every continent and culture, are a recognition of that pure love which is not self- seeking but simply benevolent. At the same time, the devotion of the faithful shows an infallible intuition of how such love is possible: it becomes so as a result of the most intimate union with God, through which the soul is totally pervaded by him—a condition which enables those who have drunk from the fountain of God's love to become, in their turn a fountain from which "flow rivers of living water" (In 7:38). Mary, Virgin and Mother, shows us what love is and whence it draws its origin and its constantly renewed power. To her we entrust the Church and her mission in the service of love:

Holy Mary, Mother of God, you have given the world its true light, Jesus, your Son – the Son of God. You abandoned yourself completely to God's call and thus became a wellspring of the goodness which flows forth from him. Show us Jesus. Lead us to him. Teach us to know and love him, so that we too can become capable of true love and be fountains of living water in the midst of a thirsting world.

(Excerpts from Pope Benedict's Encyclical on Deus Caritas Est)

A Week of the Holy Rosary to the **Blessed Holy Family**

Jan. 16, 17, 18, and 21 @ 6:30pm in the Church Jan. 19 after 5pm Mass in the Church Jan. 20 after 4pm Mass in the Seminar Room Jan. 22 @ 6:30pm in the Seminar Room



Initiated by the Knights of Columbus and in partnership with the Rosary Apostolate

PARENTS, MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

First Communion meetings will be held at St. John of the Cross Church in January 2019 for parents of children who received First Reconciliation in November. Please attend one of these meetings:

Sunday, January 20, 2019 at 7:00pm or Tuesday, January 22, 2019 at 7:00pm Invitations and registrations will be delivered to the schools on the first week of January 2019. You will be required to submit your child's Baptismal certificate upon registration.

Call 905.821.1331 x 225 if you have any questions.

THE MASS – YOU ARE INVITED!

Why is the Mass so important? Why is it the "source and summit" of the Christian life? It is the most beautiful encounter between friends and it is an anticipation of the play that will be our permanent preoccupation in heaven.



Walk through the liturgy with Bishop Barron and you'll be transformed through insights on this most privileged and intimate encounter with our Lord Jesus Christ.

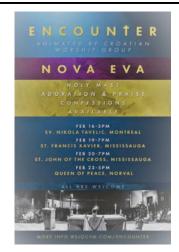
Video series showing will be in the church after the 4pm mass.

> PART 1: Sunday, January 27, 5:30pm PART 2: Sunday, February 3, 5:30pm

Stay after the 4pm mass and learn more about The Mass by Bishop Robert Barron.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

Welcome to St. John of the Cross Parish Community! Please feel free to introduce yourself to Fr. Joseph, Fr. Sebastian, or Fr. Felix. Come by the parish office when you get a chance and register as a new parishioner.



MARRIAGE MASS with CARDINAL COLLINS

If you or a couple you know is celebrating a milestone anniversary in 2019 (25th, 40th, 50th, 60th), you are invited to attend a special mass on February 10th, 4pm at St. Claire of Assisi Parish (150 St. Francis Ave., Woodbridge). A reception follows. Call 416.934.3400 x 523 to register).

SPIRITUAL & SUPPORTIVE CARE

If you or a family member are admitted to a hospital within Trillium Health Partners (Credit Valley Hospital, Mississauga Hospital, and Queensway Health Centre):

- 1. Identify yourself as Roman Catholic at time of admission and a parishioner at St. John of the Cross so you will be put on a list which the Roman Catholic Priest Chaplains and Roman Catholic visitors consult and see patients according to their needs.
- If you wish to receive communion, please call 2. the Spiritual and Supportive Care office. The Spiritual and Supportive Care staff will ensure that you are on the list to be seen by a Eucharistic Minister.

Spiritual and Supportive Care Office: 905.813.3984

SAVE THE DATE!



Knight of Hearts Annual Valentine Dinner & Dance on Saturday, February 2nd at Swagat Banquet Hall. Tickets are \$50/person and will be sold after masses on the weekends of

January 12, 19, and 26. For tickets, contact Mike, 905.819.1414 or Trevor, 905.785.2973.

In the twilight of life, God will not judge us on our earthly possessions and human success, but rather on how much we have loved.

St. John of the Cross, 1542-1591

