

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.



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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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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
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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	Jan. 28	Hebrews 9:15, 24-28; Mark 3:22-30
Tues	Jan. 29	Hebrews 10:1-10; Mark 3:31-35
Wed	Jan. 30	Hebrews 10:11-18; Mark 4:1-20
Thurs	Jan. 31	Hebrews 10:19-25; Mark 4:21-25
Fri	Feb. 1	Hebrews 10:32-39; Mark 4:26-34
Sat	Feb. 2	Malachi 3:1-4; Luke 2:22-40
Sun	Feb. 3	Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19; 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13; Luke 4:21-30

CHURCH

Sun	Jan. 27	THE MASS by Bishop Barron 5:15-6:30pm
Tue	Jan. 29	Adult Choir Practice 8:00-10:00pm
Wed	Jan. 30	Band Practice 8:00-10:00pm
Thurs	Jan. 31	Folk Choir Practice 8:00-10:00pm
Sat	Feb. 2	Children's Choir Practice 10:00-11:15am

SEMINAR ROOM

Mon	Jan. 28	RCIA 7:00-9:00pm
Tue	Jan. 29	Cross Camp Meeting 7:00-9:00pm
Wed	Jan. 30	Prime Time Crafts 1:30-4:30 pm
Wed	Jan. 30	RCIC Group 2 6:30-7:30pm
Sat	Feb. 2	Lay Carmelite 9:00am-4:00pm

NESSINGER HALL

Mon	Jan. 28	Knights of Columbus 7:00-9:30pm
Tue	Jan. 29	Prime Time Line Dancing 1:00-2:30pm
Wed	Jan. 30	RCIC Group 1 6:30-7:30pm
Wed	Jan. 30	New Beginnings 7:30-9:30pm
Thurs	Jan. 31	First Communion Make-up Meeting 6:30-8:30pm



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.*

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Telephone voice mail extensions at the parish for questions regarding sacramental preparation for baptized children attending Catholic school.
 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.

2019 Annual Shepherd's Mass

by His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins
Saturday, February 2 – 6:30 p.m.,
St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica
 65 Bond St., Toronto

Join us for an evening of praise and worship.
 Time for fellowship, meet & greet after mass.

LUMEN FIDEI

The light of Faith: this is how the Church's tradition speaks of the great gift brought by Jesus. In John's Gospel, Christ says of himself: "I have come as light into the world, that whoever believes in me may not remain in darkness" (*Jn 12:46*). Yet in speaking of the light of faith, we can almost hear the objections of many of our contemporaries. In modernity, that light might have been considered sufficient for societies of old, but was felt to be of no use for new times, for a humanity come of age, proud of its rationality and anxious to explore the future in novel ways. Faith thus appeared to some as an illusory light, preventing mankind from boldly setting out in quest of knowledge. There is an urgent need, then, to see once again that faith is a light, for once the flame of faith dies out, all other lights begin to dim. The light of faith is unique, since it is capable of illuminating *every aspect* of human existence. A light this powerful cannot come from ourselves but from a more primordial source: in a word, it must come from God. Faith is born of an encounter with the living God who calls us and reveals his love, a love which precedes us and upon which we can lean for security and for building our lives. Transformed by this love, we gain fresh vision, new eyes to see; we realize that it contains a great promise of fulfilment, and that a vision of the future opens up before us. Faith, received from God as a supernatural gift, becomes a light for our way, guiding our journey through time. Faith's new way of seeing things is centred on Christ. Faith in Christ brings salvation because in him our lives become radically open to a love that precedes us, a love that transforms us from within, acting in us and through us. In God's gift of faith, a supernatural infused virtue, we realize that a great love has been offered us, a good word has been spoken to us, and that when we welcome that word, Jesus Christ the Word made flesh, the Holy Spirit transforms us, lights up our way to the future and enables us joyfully to advance along that way on wings of hope. Thus wonderfully interwoven, faith, hope and charity are the driving force of the Christian life as it advances towards full communion with God.

(Excerpts from Pope Francis Encyclical on Lumen Fidei)

THE MASS – YOU ARE INVITED!

Our parish will be showing Bishop Robert Barron's 2-part Video Series on The Mass after the 4pm mass next Sunday, January 27th for Part 1 and after the 4pm mass on February 3rd for Part 2. Each series is about 70 minutes long. Come and know for yourself, the importance of the mass. It is much more than our mechanical way of coming to church on Sundays. It is a most privileged and intimate personal encounter with our Lord Jesus Christ.



We look forward to see you there.

Video series showing will be in the church **after** the 4pm mass on the dates below:

PART 1: Sunday, January 27, 5:15pm

PART 2: Sunday, February 3, 5:15pm

CARMELITE MOMENTS

St. Henry de Osso y Carvello

Prayer: Lord God, in your priest, St. Henry de Osso, you wonderfully combined the ideals of the apostolic community: a life of continual prayer and of untiring apostolic activity. By his intercession, may we persevere in the love of Christ and serve your Church by word and deed. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.



WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

In the Archdiocese of Toronto, we are blessed to have living and serving among us more than 900 consecrated men and women. The World Day for Consecrated Life on February 2nd, is a wonderful opportunity for us to thank God for the gifts of these sisters, brothers and priests and to pray for God's blessing upon them in their efforts to faithfully live the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience.

VALENTINE MASS CARDS



Valentine Mass Cards are now available at the Parish Office for \$3.00 each. There's a variety of designs to choose from.

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.

YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS



Please support our 365 DONATION DRIVE which will help subsidize and fully fund many of the youth initiatives and events through the 2019 calendar. Thank you for your generosity! God bless you. - Ante

MARRIAGE MASS with CARDINAL

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.
2. If you wish to receive communion, please call 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.

Take God for your spouse and friend and walk with him continually, and you will not sin and will learn to love, and the things you must do will work out prosperously for you. – St. John of the Cross, 1542-1591

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