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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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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	April 15	Isaiah 42:1-7; John 12:1-11
Tues	April 16	Isaiah 49:1-6; John 13:21-33, 36-38
Wed	April 17	Isaiah 50:4-9a; Matthew 26:14-26
Thurs	April 18	Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14; 1 Cor 11:23-26; John 13:1-15
Fri	April 19	Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9; John 18:1-19:42
Sat	April 20	Genesis 1:1, 26-31a; Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18; Exodus 14:15-31; 15:20, 1++; Isaiah 54:5-14; Isaiah 55:1-11; Baruch 3:9-15, 32-4.4; Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28; Romans 6:3-11; Luke 24:1-12
Sun	April 21	Acts 10:34a, 37-43; 1 Cor 5:6b-8; John 20:1-9

CHURCH

Mon	April 14	Baptism 2:00pm
Tue	April 16	Adult Choir Practice 8:00-10:00pm
Wed	April 17	Band Practice 8:00-10:00pm

SEMINAR ROOM

Mon	April 15	RCIA 7:00-9:00pm
Tue	April 16	Marriage Preparation 7:00pm
Wed	April 17	Prime Time Crafts 1:30-4:30 pm
Wed	April 17	RCIC Group 2 6:30-7:30pm
Sat	April 20	Children's Choir Practice 10:00-11:15am
Sat	April 20	RCIA Retreat 11:30am-3:00pm

NESSINGER HALL

Mon	April 15	EDGE Night 6:00-9:00pm
Tue	April 16	Prime Time Line Dancing 1:00-3:00pm
Wed	April 17	RCIC Group 1 6:30-7:30pm



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. 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.

"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

Jesus Prays for His Disciples, John 17:25



Reflections for Palm Sunday

The Church celebrates today as both Palm Sunday and Passion Sunday. It is on Palm Sunday that we enter Holy Week, and welcome Jesus into our lives, asking him to allow us a share in his suffering, death and Resurrection. This is also the time we remember and relive the events which brought about our redemption and salvation. That is why the Holy Week liturgy presents us with the actual events of the dying and rising of Jesus. The liturgy also enables us to experience vicariously, here and now, what Jesus went through then. In other words, we commemorate and relive during this week our own dying to sin and selfishness and rising in Jesus, which result in our healing, reconciliation, and redemption.

1. Jesus rides on a lowly donkey: Doesn't it seem odd that Jesus would walk 90 miles from the Galilee to Bethany and then secure a donkey for the final two miles to Jerusalem? In those days, Kings used to travel in such processions on horseback during wartime but preferred to ride a donkey in times of peace.

2. Before the beginning of the procession, Jesus wept over Jerusalem (Lk 19:41-42), and when the procession was over, he cleansed the Temple (Lk 19:45-46). On the following day, he cursed a barren fig tree. Jesus cursed a fig tree for lying with its leaves. It looked good from the outside, but there was nothing there.

Life Messages: 1) Does Jesus weep over me?

There is a Jewish saying, "Heaven rejoices over a repentant sinner and sheds tears over a non-repentant, hardhearted one." Are we ready to imitate the prodigal son and return to God, our loving Father through the Sacrament of Reconciliation during this last week of Lent and participate fully in the joy of Christ's Resurrection?

2) Can we face these questions on Palm Sunday?

Are we willing to follow Jesus, not just to Church but in our daily life? Are we willing to entrust ourselves to Him even when the future is frightening or confusing, believing God has a plan? Are we willing to serve Him until that day when His plan for us on earth is fulfilled? These are the questions of Palm Sunday. Let us take a fresh look at this familiar event. We might be surprised at what we see. It could change us forever.

3) We need to rejoice and weep: Palm Sunday and Passion Sunday are two sides of the same coin because we have to rejoice and sing as we receive Jesus into our lives as our Lord and Savior and we have to weep and mourn as his death confronts us with our sin. Yes, we were there in the crowd on both days, shouting "Hosanna!" and later "Crucify Him!" Because of what Jesus has done for us and our Faith in him, one day we will be in that great crowd gathered around the throne of God, and there everyone will shout words of praise, heavenly hosannas, that will ring through all eternity, "To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, forever and ever!"

Rev 5:13. (Excerpts from Reflections by Fr. Antony Kadavil, www.vaticannews.va/en/church/news/2018-03/palm-sunday-reflections.html)

EASTER LILIES NEEDED!

The Altar Society would appreciate donations of Easter Lilies to be used to decorate the church for Easter. They ask that you bring the lilies on Holy Thursday and to please leave them by the statue of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in the rotunda. Thank you.



BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

Bereavement Group Sessions
May 2, 2019 through June 6, 2019

This ministry is intended to offer spiritual support and the healing comfort of God to all those who mourn a loss through death. This ministry is offered to all who feel ready to begin this program.

Please contact Muriel Haney, muriel1066@bell.net to register or the parish office at 905.821.1331.



INCOME TAX PREPARATION

Free Income Tax Preparation for low income individuals/families, newcomers and seniors is offered by the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP), coordinated by the Canada Revenue Agency. Contact the parish office to book an appointment for Saturday, April 27th.

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



EDGE: Mon Apr 15, 2019
6:30-8:30pm
FaceTime: Technology

LIFE TEEN: Fri Apr 26, 2019 - 6:30-8:30pm
Holy or Hypocrite: Hypocrisy, Judgement & Tolerance

CROSS Camp (Summer Day Camp, August 2019)

More Info & Registration at
www.sjocym.com/crosscamp

2019 HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY (Blessing of the Palms)

April 13	Saturday	5:00pm
April 14	Sunday	8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, and 4:00pm
April 15	Monday	Mass at 9:00am
April 16	Tuesday	Mass at 9:00am Chrism Mass at 11am at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Michael in Toronto
April 17	Wednesday	Mass at 9:00am and 7:00pm

April 18 HOLY THURSDAY

No Morning Mass. No Confessions.
Mass of the Lord's Supper at 8:00pm
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 9:00-11:30pm

April 19 GOOD FRIDAY

No Confessions
10:00am Stations of the Cross by our youth
Veneration and Holy Communion
3:00pm Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion
7:00pm Solemn Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

April 20 HOLY SATURDAY

No Confessions. No Masses during the day.
Solemn Easter Vigil at 8:30 PM

April 21 EASTER SUNDAY

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM, 4:00 PM

April 22	Easter Monday:	Mass at 9:00 AM
	Easter Monday:	Parish Office is closed

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