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ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS
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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SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

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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	May 13	Acts 11:1-18; John 10:1-10
Tues	May 14	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; John 15:9-17
Wed	May 15	Acts 12:24-13.5a; John 12:44-50
Thurs	May 16	Acts 13:13-25; John 13:16-20
Fri	May 17	Acts 13:26-33; John 14:1-6
Sat	May 18	Acts 13:44-52; John 14:7-14
Sun	May 19	Acts 14:21b-27; John 13:1, 31-33a, 34-35++

CHURCH

Tue	May 14	Adult Choir Practice 8:00-10:00pm
Wed	May 15	Band Practice 8:00-10:00pm
Thurs	May 16	Folk Choir Practice 8:00-10:00pm
Sat	May 18	Confirmation 10:30am

SEMINAR ROOM

Sun	May 12	Handmaid of the Lord 1:00-4:00pm
Mon	May 13	RCIA 7:00 – 9:00 pm
Wed	May 15	Prime Time Crafts 2:00-4:00pm
Sat	May 18	Children’s Choir 10:00-11:00am

NESSINGER HALL

Mon	May 13	EDGE Night 6:00-9:00pm
Tue	May 14	CFC 6:00-10:00pm
Thurs	May 16	Prime Time Line Dancing 1:00-3:00pm
Sat	May 18	Confirmation 10:00am-1:00pm



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

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT



There is a promise of marriage between
Anthony Rukshika De Zoysa
and Chamila Ayomi Attapattu

LET US PRAY FOR THIS COUPLE
 FOR A HAPPY MARRIAGE

“I remember my mother’s prayers and they have always followed me. They have clung to me all my life.” —Abraham Lincoln

Woman: Living in a Supernatural Way with a Supernatural God

Proverbs 31:10-31 An excellent wife, who can find? For her worth is far above jewels. ¹¹The heart of her husband trusts in her, And he will have no lack of gain. ¹²She does him good and not evil All the days of her life. ¹³She looks for wool and flax, And works with her hands in delight. ¹⁴She is like merchant ships; She brings her food from afar. ¹⁵ She rises also while it is still night, And gives food to her household, And portions to her maidens. ¹⁶ She considers a field and buys it; From her earnings she plants a vineyard. ¹⁷She girds herself with strength, And makes her arms strong. ¹⁸She senses that her gain is good; Her lamp does not go out at night. ¹⁹She stretches out her hands to the distaff, And her hands grasp the spindle. ²⁰She extends her hand to the poor; And she stretches out her hands to the needy. ²¹She is not afraid of the snow for her household, For all her household are clothed with scarlet. ²²She makes coverings for herself; Her clothing is fine linen and purple. ²³Her husband is known in the gates, When he sits among the elders of the land. ²⁴She makes linen garments and sells them, And supplies belts to the tradesmen. ²⁵Strength and dignity are her clothing, And she smiles at the future. ²⁶She opens her mouth in wisdom, And the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. ²⁷She looks well to the ways of her household, And does not eat the bread of idleness. ²⁸ Her children rise up and bless her; Her husband also, and he praises her, saying: ²⁹"Many daughters have done nobly, But you excel them all." ³⁰Charm is deceitful and beauty is vain, But a woman who fears the LORD, she shall be praised. ³¹Give her the product of her hands, And let her works praise her in the gates.

In this passage in Proverbs, God presents us with His description and estimation of what a godly wife and mother looks like. In this passage we are given a glimpse of a woman who is a wife and mother, and one who diligently cares for her household, the extended family unit including servants, business associates, and those she helps in the society in which she lives.

The five qualities are:

1. She is a **devoted wife** (vss. 11, 12, 23). She is one who has the confidence of her husband, who seeks his welfare, and enhances his reputation.
2. She is a **diligent partner** (vss. 13-17, 18b, 19, 22, 24). *As a woman with God's viewpoint, she is a willing worker, a wise shopper and planner who is able to minister to*

her family because she keeps herself fit spiritually and physically (cf. vs. 18a, 25).

3. She is a **dutiful servant** to the needy and the poor (vs. 20). She has a vision for ministry not only to her family but to her society.

4. She is a **dependable mother** (vss. 15, 21, 27). She is devoted to the needs of her family. She is well groomed, attractive, organized, and disciplined and as such, is a testimony to her children.

5. She is a **doctrinally oriented woman** (vs. 26, 18). She is a woman full of God's wisdom.

Well, after this description, you are probably saying, "I give up! This doesn't describe a woman, it describes superwoman"! Not exactly, though you are close. *It describes a woman who is living in a supernatural way with a supernatural God.*

As we look at this passage we can see that being a wife and mother is a tremendously challenging task in any age. But in our day, it is even more challenging because of the distorted values and inroads of secular humanism and the moral breakdown in our society. And it is especially difficult for single moms without the help of a husband, and many times without the help of a caring church.

But may I inject here an important statement. Nothing, absolutely nothing is more important to a society than godly motherhood. The family is the foundation of society, and while fathers are responsible for the way the family goes, mothers are the glue that holds the family together.

(Excerpts from www.bible.org/article/reflections-mothers)

CARMELITE MOMENTS



ST. SIMON STOCK

Feast Day: May 16

Known for his personal holiness and his devotion to our Lady. Many holy pictures depict Our Lady of Carmel handing Simon the scapular.

St. Simon Stock, pray for us.



Next weekend, May 18-19,
is Coffee Sunday, hosted
by the RCIA and
Confirmation Team
COME & MINGLE!



Please remember Fr. Joseph
in your prayers on May 15th as he
celebrates his 50th birthday.

Thank you, Lord, for your priestly servant, Fr.
Joseph. Be with him always, we pray.

YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS

EDGE: Mon May 13th, 6:30-8:30pm

Sober & Alert: Drugs & Alcohol

LIFE TEEN: Fri May 24th, 6:30-8:30pm

Under the Influence: Drugs & Alcohol

CROSS Camp @ SJOC (August 2019)

Registration: www.sjocym.com/crosscamp

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

On this Good Shepherd Sunday, we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or deacon, contact **Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, 416.968.0997, or email vocations@archtoronto.org.**

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WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

Welcome to St. John of the Cross Parish Community! We are glad to have you. Please feel free to introduce yourself to Fr. Joseph, Fr. Sebastian, or Fr. Felix and when you get a chance, come by the Parish Office and register as a new parishioner.



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