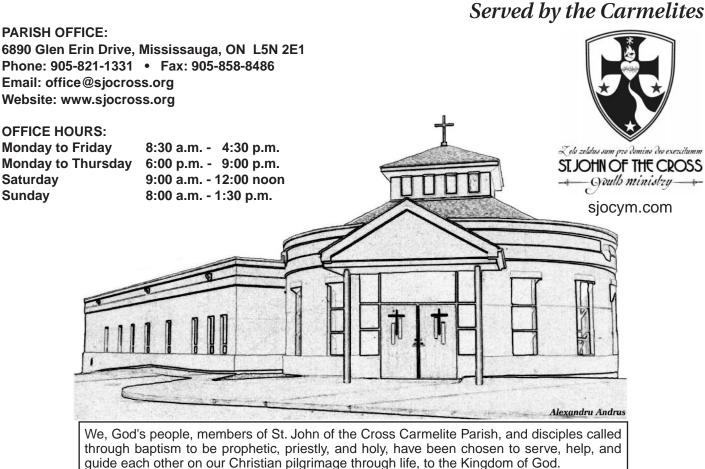
St. John of the Cross Parish



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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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

July 1	Genesis 18:16-33; Matthew 8:18-22
2	Genesis 19:15-29; Matthew 18:23-27
	Ephesians 2:19-22; John 20:24-29
July 4	Genesis 22:1-19; Matthew 9:1-8
July 5	Genesis 23:1-4,19:24:1-8, 62-67: Mt 9:9-13
July 6	Genesis 27:1-5,9-10,15-29++; Mt 9:14-17
July 7	Isaiah 66:10-14; Gal 6:14-18; Luke 10:1-12, 17-20
CHU	JRCH
July 2	Adult Choir Practice 7:30-10:00pm
July 3	Band Practice 8:00-10:00pm
July 4	Folk Choir Practice 8:00-10:00pm
July 6	Montiero Family Choir Practice 6:15-7:30pm
SEMINA	AR ROOM
July 3	Prime Time Crafts 2:00 - 4:00pm
July 5	CFC 6:30-10:00pm
July 6	Lay Carmelite Meeting 9:00am-4:00pm
July 6	CFCFFL 6:30-10:30pm
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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.

If you know anyone who is interested to know more about God, the Catholic Faith



and her teachings, please ask them to call Liane at the parish office. The next sessions for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) will start in October 2019.

SUMMER PARISH OFFICE HOURS Mon – Fri: 8:30am - 3:00pm Office is closed on weekday evenings. Saturday hours: 3:35-6:45pm Sunday hours: 8:00am-1:30pm

Have a safe and pleasant summer!

Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation. – Psalm 111:1

The PEACE that Makes the HEART SMILE

Peace, the great parting gift Jesus left to his disciples, is the precious treasure that distinguishes Christians, Pope Francis said during his homily for Holy Mass at Santa Marta on Tuesday, 21 May. This peace is not a banal tranquility. It is "profound" and "makes the heart smile" even through all the difficulties and trials we encounter in life. Referring to the day's Gospel reading in which Jesus leaves the Apostles with the

words, "peace I peace I give 27-31), the that, when "so much one must "where is peace?". One wonder how leave with you; my to you" (Jn 14 Pope noted faced with suffering", wonder Jesus' must also "the peace of

Jesus" and "these tribulations which appear to be the path to enter God's Kingdom" go together, the Pope observed. However, he continued, though this life of tribulation appears to be "a life without peace", it is instead a "beatitude". It is "a peace that no one can take away, a peace that is a gift like the sea which is calm down deep but has waves on the surface". It means "living in peace with Jesus and having this experience within, which remains throughout all the trials, all the difficulties and all the 'tribulations'". This, the Pontiff observed, explains why the martyrs did not lose peace in their moment of martyrdom.

We cannot have Jesus' peace through human means. It comes to us from "the Holy Spirit within us" who "gives us strength". To better explain this concept, Pope Francis told the story of a hard working but very sick man whom he visited the previous week. In a matter of three days, this man went from a healthy life in which everything was going well, to a sudden serious illness whose outcome is uncertain. "He was at peace. He confided to me: 'I am like this, the Lord will know. Pray for me". This, the

CARMELITE MOMENTS



Mother M. Crocifissa Curcio was born on 30 January 1877 in Ispica , Italy. She intensely cultivated the union of love with Christ in the Eucharist by giving all of herself to satisfy the desire to make amends "for the immense number of souls who do not know and do not love God"

and by offering to be the victim of atonement along "*with the Great Martyr of Love*". From the Mother of Jesus she learned to be a mother to those in need. With St. Therese of the Child Jesus she found spiritual bliss in the "regular and faithful fulfilment of one's duties", doing "with love and dedication even the smallest deeds"; experiencing with humility and simplicity, joy and tenderness, every human relationship and everyday achieving that unity of life and faith "*by peacefully combining*" the untiring activity of Martha and the profound mysticism of Mary. **Feast Day: July 4**

PARISH LIBRARY NEWS

The Parish Library will be closed for July and August. Please return books to the office so that an inventory check can be done before September. **THANK YOU** to all parishioners who have supported the Library by donating books and for signing out books. We will see you again in September. Have a safe and enjoyable summer. God Bless!

Prayer is a sincere, sensible, affectionate pouring out of the soul to God, through Christ, in the strength and assistance of the Spirit, for such things as God has promised. - John Bunyan

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.

PARISH DIRECTORIES ARE IN!

If you had your photo taken with your family or individually, please pick up your copy of the directory.

If you only had your photo taken with the ministry that you served in, let the office know that you want a copy and you will be put on a waiting list when extra copies are available.

SOLEMNITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY OF MOUNT CARMEL

July 16, 2019

As we solemnly commemorate Our Lady of Mount Carmel, may she enfold you in the mantle of her loving protection.

PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL



Our Lady of Mount Carmel – Be our constant hope. Mary, perfect disciple of the Lord – Make us also faithful to him. Mary, Flower of Carmel – Fill us with your joy. Virgin Mary, Beauty of Carmel – Smile upon your family, Sweet Mother of Carmel. Holy Mother beyond compare – Remember your children forever. Holy Virgin, Star of the Sea – Be our beacon of Light. Protecting Veil – Shelter us in the mantle of your love. Amen.

GOD IS GRACE

God does not send His grace through the mail – it is hand delivered! We have to be there to receive it!

Courageous prayer, Pope Francis says, is prayer that looks God in the eye and rejoices at the meeting! When God gives us grace, God gives us Himself. God is always ready to open the door at which we knock and to greet and embrace us. If we were really aware of how eager God is to encounter us – and to encounter with open arms – wouldn't that give us the courage we seek?

PONDER: Does thinking of God as someone waiting to listen make God seem smaller in my eyes? Or does it help me to draw closer in prayer?

PRAY: God of life and love, I seek your grace so many times in a day. Help me to see that you come to me as your gracious self, and often through those I meet.

