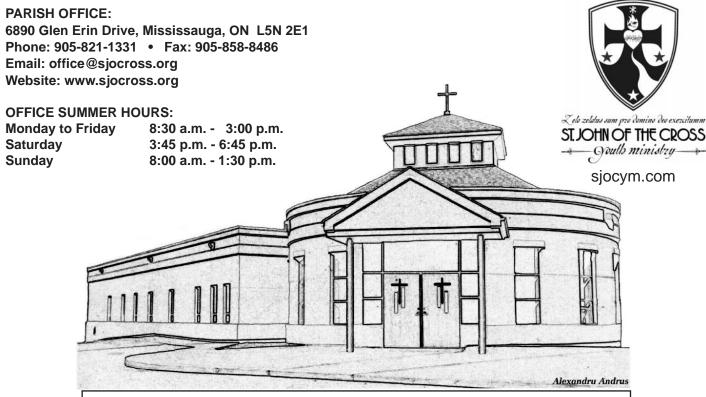
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We, God's people, members of St. John of the Cross Carmelite Parish, and disciples called through baptism to be prophetic, priestly, and holy, have been chosen to serve, help, and guide each other on our Christian pilgrimage through life, to the Kingdom 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.

PASTORAL TEAM Tel/Voice Mail

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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
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.

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Mon	Aug 12	Deut 10:12-22; Matthew 17:22-27
Tues	Aug 13	Deut 31:1-8; Matthew 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wed	Aug 14	Deut 34:1-12; Matthew 18:15-20
Thurs	Aug 15	Rev 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Cor 15:20-26;
		Luke 1:39-56
Fri	Aug 16	Joshua 24:1-13; Matthew 19:3-12
Sat	Aug 17	Joshua 24:14-29; Matthew 19:13-15
Sun	Aug 18	Jeremiah 38:4-6; 8-10; Heb 12:1-4; Luke 12:49-53

CHURCH

Tue	Aug 13	Adult Choir Practice 7:30-10:00pm
Wed	Aug 14	Band Practice 8:00-10:00pm
Thurs	Aug 15	Folk Choir Practice 8:00-10:00pm
Sat	Aug 17	Family Choir Practice 6:15-7:30pm

SEMINAR ROOM

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	Tue	Aug 13	Baptism Class 7:00-9:00pm
	Wed	Aug 14	Prime Time Crafts 2:00-4:00pm
	Thurs	Aug 17	Lay Carmelite Formation 9:30am – 2:30pm

NESSINGER HALL

Aug. 12-16	Cross Camp 7:30am – 5:30pm

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

There is a promise of marriage between

JULIO FRANCISCO PEREIRA & JOVITA CRISTAL D'SOUZA

Let us pray for this couple for a happy marriage.

Love that leads to marriage is a gift from God and a great act of faith toward other human beings.

St. Pope John Paul ll

WEDNESDAY EVENING
EUCHARISTIC
CELEBRATION IS AT 7:00pm
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PERPETUAL HELP.



COMMUNITY ROSARY AT 6:30pm.

BRING YOUR FAMILY!

THE BLESSED TRINITY and THE EUCHARIST

"The first element of Eucharistic faith is the mystery of God himself, Trinitarian love.

In the Eucharist Jesus does not give us a "thing," but himself; he offers his own body and pours out his own blood. He thus gives us the totality of his life and reveals the ultimate origin of this love. He is the eternal Son, given to us by the Father.

In the Gospel we hear how Jesus, after feeding the crowds by multiplying the loaves and fishes, says to those who had followed him to the synagogue of Capernaum: "My Father gives you the true bread from heaven; for the bread of God is he who comes down

from heaven, the world" and even himself, his blood, with am the living came down and gives life to (Jn 6:32-33), identifies own flesh and that bread: "I bread which from heaven; if

anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread which I shall give for the life of the world is my flesh" (*In* 6:51). Jesus thus shows that he is the bread of life which the eternal Father gives to mankind. The Eucharist reveals the loving plan that guides all of salvation history (cf. Eph 1:10; 3:8-11). There the Deus Trinitas, who is essentially love (cf. 1 Jn 4:7-8), becomes fully a part of our human condition. In the bread and wine under whose appearances Christ gives himself to us in the paschal meal (cf. Lk 22:14-20; 1 Cor 11:23-26), God's whole life encounters us and is sacramentally shared with us. God is a perfect communion of love between Father, Son and Holy Spirit. At creation itself, man was called to have some share in God's breath of life (cf. Gen 2:7). But it is in Christ, dead and risen, and in the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, given without measure (cf. Jn 3:34), that we have become sharers of God's inmost life. (16) Jesus Christ, who "through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God" (Heb 9:14), makes us, in the gift of the Eucharist, sharers in God's own life. This is an absolutely free gift, the superabundant fulfilment of God's promises. The Church receives, celebrates and adores this gift in faithful obedience. The "mystery of faith" is thus a mystery of trinitarian love, a mystery in which we are called by grace to



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 schools. Message will be returned by Sacramental Team.

905.821.1331 x 225 1st Communion/Reconciliation 905.821.1331 x 230 Confirmation

DAILY READINGS ONLINE

Parishioners throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto can now find the <u>Canadian</u> daily readings on their archdiocesan and parish websites. This includes the First Reading, Second Reading (when appropriate), Psalm, and Gospel Reading.

To access, go to www.sjocross.org

The **Daily Readings** tab is under the **Our Catholic Faith** drop-down menu.

PRIME TIME CLUB

A social group for those over 50 with a membership of \$10 per year. Held occasionally are outings, Saturday evening dinners in Nessinger Hall and luncheon in local restaurants. Held weekly are Line Dancing on Tuesdays at 1pm & Craft Group on Wednesdays at 2pm. Contact Mary at 905.824.8537.

BEREAVEMENT SESSIONS

This ministry is intended to offer spiritual support and healing comfort of God to all those who mourn a loss through death. The sessions are offered to all who feel ready to take this step in their journey of grief.

The next 6-week Group Sessions begins on September 3rd (every Tuesday) through October 8th, 6:30pm to 8:30pm, in the Seminar Room.

For more information or to register, please contact Muriel Haney directly at 905-507-1581 or muriel1066@bell.net.

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY August 15

Mary, our Mother, pray for us who have recourse to thee.



LAY PASTORAL VISITORS TRAINING

Are you called to visit the sick, elderly and the homebound? This program will prepare you to provide pastoral visits and bring Holy Communion to the sick, elderly and homebound of our parish communities who are unable to attend Mass.

Training will be on Sept. 21 and 28, 9:30am-4pm. Must attend both dates.

Call Sally Amaral, 416.934.3400 x 518 or email samaral@archtoronto.org.

Registration fee is \$35. Please see flyers for more info.

NEW BEGINNINGS SEMINAR

New Beginnings Seminar - Healing and Grace for a Wounded and Grieving Heart

Thursday September 19 @ 7:00 pm.

Keynote Speaker: Fr. Stan Chu Ilo

Location: St. Anthony of Padua Church, 940 North

Park Dr., Brampton, ON L6S 3L5

Register Online at: https://saopcb.eventbrite.ca Arcangelo Limanni, MRE - 416.587.7687

alimanni@cfstoronto.com

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

Welcome to St. John of the Cross Parish Community! We are glad to have you join our family. Feel free to introduce yourself to our Pastor, Fr. Joyson or to our Associate Pastor, Fr. Felix, and when you get a chance, come by the Parish Office to register as a new parishioner.

"If you want to be holy, if you seek meaning in your life, start looking into your own life and attacking your pride in all of its many forms.

God will give you extraordinary light and the ultimate reward of holiness. For your holiness relies not on what you do, but on what you allow God to do through you. Have courage. God will perfect you." - Mother Angelica



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