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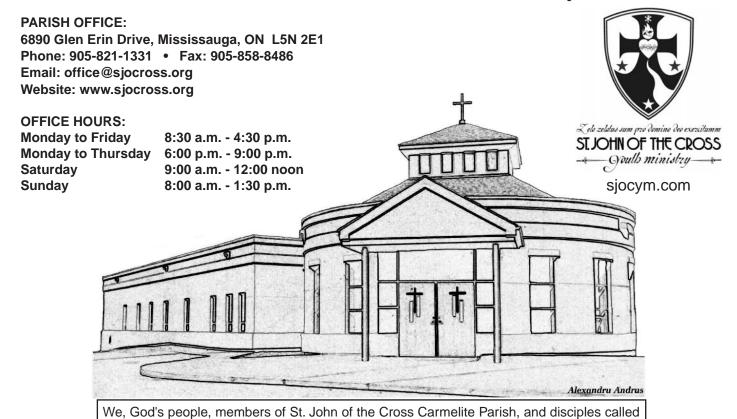
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Confirmation

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday:

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m. Sunday:

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. They are also encouraged to attend the class prior to the birth of the baby. Godparents are also expected to attend this class. A registration package is available at the Parish Office or at our website.

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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.

1st Reading: Sirach 35:15-17, 20-22 2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Gospel: Luke 18:9-14 The Parable of the Pharisee and

the Tax Collector

Imitating the Blessed

This upcoming week, the Church will be celebrating the great solemnity of All Saints Day. The beauty of this solemnity lies in the vast diversity of all those who've gone before us. The heavenly courts are made up of patriarchs, martyrs, doctors, monks, virgins, priests, laity and more, all dwelling in unity. We can ask ourselves, what is a unifying attribute that ties all these saints together?

One such attribute is the generous stewardship of their particular gifts for the glory of God and the good of the Church. God does not want us all to be martyrs, or monks, or virgins, but He asks all of us to faithfully use the gifts given to us to live out the Gospel message as best as we can.

For example, if the Lord has gifted us with a musical ability, we should try to share that with our parish community by joining the choir. Likewise, if we have the gift of gentleness and care, we should seek ministries that serve the poor, the sick, and the elderly. The same can be said of any gift that we possess from God. Cardinal Collins in his *Pastoral Letter on Stewardship* says that "if we truly have the spirit of stewardship, we will not let God's gifts go to waste, and we will not selfishly cling to them, but use them generously to serve others, and in so doing give glory to God." How deeply do we live out this message from Cardinal Collins? Let us challenge ourselves to imitate the saints and seek to serve God though the particular talents He has graciously bestowed on us.

Cardinal Collins' Pastoral Letter on Stewardship is at www.archtoronto.org/stewardship/Documents/Stewardship-English.pdf

YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS

Next EDGE Night: Monday, Oct 28th - Masterpiece Next LIFE Night: Friday Nov 8th - Freedom & Failure Schedule & Registration @ www.jcym.ca





The earth will not continue to offer its harvest, except with faithful stewardship.—Pope St. John Paul ll

RESERVATIONS

CHURCH			
Tue	Oct 29	Altar Server Training 7:00-8:00pm	
Tue	Oct 29	Adult Choir Practice 7:00-9:00pm	
Wed	Oct 30	Band Practice 8:00-10:00pm	
Thurs	Oct 31	Night of Light Mass and Adoration 6:15pm	
Thurs	Oct 31	Folk Choir Practice 8:00-10:00pm	

SEMINAR ROOM

Mon	Oct 28	RCIA 7:00—9:00pm
Tue	Oct 29	Marriage Preparation 7:00-9:00pm
Wed	Oct 30	Prime Time Craft 2:00-4:00pm
Wed	Oct 30	Sacramental Preparation 6:30-7:30pm
Thurs	Oct 31	Marriage Preparation 7:00-9:00pm
Sat	Nov 2	Lay Carmelite Formation 9:00am-4:00pm
Sat	Nov 2	CFCFFL 7:00-10:30pm

NESSINGER HALL

Mon	Oct 28	EDGE 7:00-9:00pm
Tue	Oct 29	Prime Time Club Line Dancing 1:00-3:00pm
Wed	Oct 30	RCIC 6:30-7:30pm
Wed	Oct 30	New Beginnings 7:30-9:30pm
Thurs	Oct 31	NIGHT of LIGHT 5:00-10:00pm
Sat	Nov 2	Children's Choir Practice 10:00-11:15am

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Mon	Oct 28	Ephesians 2:19-22; Luke 6:12-19
Tue	Oct 29	Romans 8:18-25; Luke 13:18-21
Wed	Oct 30	Romans 8:26-30; Luke 13:22-30
Thurs	Oct 31	Romans 8:31b-39; Luke 13:31-35
Fri	Nov 1	Rev 7:2-4, 9-14; 1John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12a
Sat	Nov 2	Job 19:1, 23-27; 1Cor 15:20-23; John 12:23-26
Sun	Nov 3	Wis 11:22-12:2; 2Thess 1:11-2:2; Luke 19:1-10

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Parish contacts for questions regarding sacramental preparation for baptized children attending Catholic schools are listed below. Message will be returned by one of the members of the Sacramental Team.

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	MASS INTENTIONS				
Mon	Oct 28 9am	For the soul of Rosario Sanandres, requested by Ailyn Aceino For the healing of Nadine and Adrian Kenny, as requested by Ena Barrett			
Wed	Oct 30 9am	For the living intention of Michael Harrison, as requested by Rita Apikian For thanksgiving of Yorrick Desouza's 71 good years, as requested by the family			
	7pm	 For the soul of Lucilla Cantero, as requested by Tess Mabalot For the soul of Virginia Borja, requested by Aurora Fresnedi For the souls of Georgina, Margaret, and Rita, as requested by Theresa Egerton For thanksgiving of Yorrick Desouza's 71 good years, as requested by the family 			
Thurs	Oct 31 9am	For the forgiveness of Diniz Family, requested by the family			
Fri	Nov 1 9am 7pm	For the souls of Lucien, Mary, & Francis Apikian, as requested by the Apikian Family 1. For the soul of John D'Souza, as requested by Ivy Cornelio 2. For the souls of Joe, Bullu, and Walter Lobo, as requested by Maurice and Wilma Saldanha			
Sun	Nov 3 8am 10am	For thanksgiving of Yorrick Desouza's 71 good years, as requested by the family For the 1st Wedding Anniversary intention of Hazel and Roland Castelino, as requested by Nina & family For the soul of Marcus Fernandes, as requested by Pearl Fernandes			

On Sunday, November 3rd at 9:00am Mass,

Fr. Joseph Sibichan Chako O Carm

will be installed as Pastor at St. John Fisher Parish

Please include him and his new parish in your prayers.

His new address:

Fr. Joseph Sibichan Chako O Carm St. John Fisher Parish 120 Avenue Summerhill Pointe-Claire, Quebec H9R 2L7 Phone: 514-695-0205



The most profound effect of prayer is not necessarily on the person being prayed for, but on the person praying.

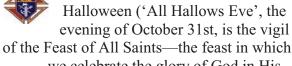


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Thursday, October 31, 6:15-8:30pm





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Register in the parish office for headcount.

Everyone is welcome!

OCTOBER FOOD DRIVE

Remember to bring non-perishable food items and drop them in the bins that are set up at both entrance of the church. Non-perishable food items needed include: Kraft dinner, tuna, cereals, soup, peanut butter, snacks, oatmeal, etc.

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alphabet over and over again. The catechist asked, "Nicole, what are you doing?" Nicole responded, "I'm writing my prayer, but I couldn't think of what I wanted to say. So I'm just writing all of

the letters of the alphabet, and God can put them together however he thinks best."



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