

St. John of the Cross Parish

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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. 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.

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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First Communion & First Reconciliation 225
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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.

3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Isaiah 9.1-4

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1.10-13, 17-18

Gospel: Matthew 4.12-23

Jesus Begins His Ministry & Calls the First Disciples

Heeding the Call of Christ

“Come, follow me.” This is the beautiful invitation Jesus extends to His first disciples in the Gospel today. How often do we hear those same words, “come, follow me,” in our own lives? The Lord is constantly calling us to follow Him. By reflecting on today’s Gospel we can learn how we too can heed the call.

Firstly, it is important to remember that Jesus says to Peter and Andrew, “I will make you fishers of people.” Jesus calls them to mission. So too, Jesus calls us to mission as well, the mission of being true stewards of Christ for His glory and the good of the Church. The Gospel records that when the disciples were called, they “immediately left their nets and followed him. They saw in Christ all fulfillment and so followed him immediately. We should strive to imitate this eagerness in following Christ, for the Lord doesn’t want us to delay the plans He has in store for us.

Lastly, whenever we feel unworthy of the call of following Christ as stewards, we can take great consolation in the fact that Jesus chose lowly, uneducated fisherman for His first apostles. It is famously said that God doesn’t call the qualified, but qualifies the called. If the Lord calls us to a certain mission, He will sustain us through that mission as well. So let us strive to heed the call of Christ and begin to follow Him, the one in whom all our fulfillment is found.

“I am profitably engaged in reading the Bible. Take all of this Book that you can by reason and the balance by faith, and you will live and die a better man.

It is the best Book which God has given to man.” - Abraham Lincoln

RESERVATIONS

CHURCH

Tue	Jan 28	Adult Choir Practice 8:00-10:00pm
Wed	Jan 29	Band Practice 8:00-10:00pm
Thurs	Jan 30	Folk Choir Practice 8:00-10:00pm
Sat	Feb 1	Children’s Choir Practice 10:00-11:15am
Sun	Feb 2	Baptism 2:00pm

NESSINGER HALL

Mon	Jan 27	EDGE 7:00-9:00pm
Mon	Jan 27	Knights of Columbus 7:00-9:30pm
Tue	Jan 28	Prime Time Line Dancing 1:00-4:00pm
Tue	Jan 28	Bible Study: Bible Timeline 7:00-9:00pm
Wed	Jan 29	Christian Initiation of Children 6:30-7:30pm
Wed	Jan 29	New Beginnings 7:30-9:00pm
Thurs	Jan 30	1st Communion Make-up Mtg. 7:00-8:30pm

SEMINAR ROOM

Mon	Jan 27	RCIA 7:00-9:00pm
Wed	Jan 29	Prime Time Crafts 1:00-4:00pm
Wed	Jan 29	Sacramental Preparation 6:30-7:30pm
Sat	Feb 1	Lay Carmelites Formation 9:00am-4:00pm
Sat	Feb 1	CFCFFL 6:30-10:30pm

READINGS OF THE WEEK

Mon	Jan 27	2 Samuel 5:1-7,10; Mark 3:22-30
Tue	Jan 28	2 Samuel 6:12b-15,17-19; Mark 3:31-35
Wed	Jan 29	2 Samuel 7:1-17++; Mark 4:1-20
Thurs	Jan 30	2 Samuel 7:18-19, 24-29; Mark 4:21-25
Fri	Jan 31	2 Samuel 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Mark 4:26-34
Sat	Feb 1	2 Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17; Mark 4:35-41
Sun	Feb 2	Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:10-11, 13b-18++; Luke 2:22-40

Thank you for your generous contribution in the upkeep and renovation of our church building. 2nd Collection next weekend will be for our

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MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Jan 27 9am	1. For the soul of Sheela Fernandes, requested by the Fernandes Family 2. For the soul of Esaltina Varao, requested by the Varao Family
Tue	Jan 28 9am	For the healing of Nadine and Adrian Kenny, requested by Anne Kenny
Wed	Jan 29 7pm	For the soul of Roque Soares, requested by Rolinda D'Almeida
Thurs	Jan 30 9am	For the soul of Frank Marray, requested by Felicia Lazaro
Fri	Jan 31 9am	1. For the soul of Joaozinho Vas, requested by Arthur Rodrigues 2. For the birthday intention of Brigid Kombol, requested by Brigid
Sat	Feb 1 5pm	1. For the soul of Celia Stanislaus, requested by Bernadette 2. For the soul of Mary Fernandes, requested by Stephen and family 3. For the souls of Anthony and Priscilla D'Silva, requested by Robert D'Silva 4. For thanksgiving for Cally Phillips & Family, requested by Yorrick Desouza
Sun	Feb 2 12pm	1. For the soul of Narciso D'Costa, requested by the Pinto Family 2. For the soul of Elvira Pinto, requested by the Pinto Family
	4pm	For the soul of Ronald D'Souza, requested by the D'Souza Family

YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS

**March Break Camp for Grades 1-6:
Mon, Mar 16 - Fri, Mar 20, 9am-4pm
daily with Extended Care available.
Registration @**

www.jcym.ca/marchbreak

or at parish office



ANNUAL DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH CONFERENCE

Keynote Speakers:

Kimberly Hahn and Colleen Carroll Campbell

Saturday, March 28, 2020
9:00am—4:00pm

Le Tréport Banquet Hall
1075 Queensway East
Mississauga, ON L4Y 4C1

Register thru Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/dynamic-women-of-faith-conference-2020-tickets-74730522003>

MARRIAGE SUNDAY 2020

As part of Marriage Sunday 2020 celebrations, Cardinal Thomas Collins will preside at a special Mass to honour couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2020.

If you (or a couple you know) are celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60+ wedding anniversary in 2020, they are invited to join in this special celebration.

The Mass will take place at 3pm on Sunday, February 9th at St. Isaac Jogues Parish (1148 Finch Avenue, Pickering). A reception will follow after the Mass.

The Mass is open to all, but due to space restrictions, those wishing to attend are asked to register online or by phone.

Milestone anniversary celebrants will be assured of reserved seating. Registration and other important information can be found at:

www.archtoronto.org/marriage
or by calling (416).934.3400 x 523

Valentine Mass Cards, Bibles, Catechism of the Catholic Church, Rosaries, Mass Cards, and Scapulars are available in the Parish Office. You can purchase them during office hours.

SAVE THE DATE!

Knights of Columbus
20th Knight of Hearts
Valentine Dinner/Dance
Saturday, February 8
Apollo Convention Centre



Tickets will be sold after the weekend masses starting January 11th. They are \$55/person or \$500/table.



Or you may call:

Trevor — 905.785.2973

Mike — 905.819.1414

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through Him, and without Him, not one thing came into being. - John 1:1-3

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