

Sunday, September 26, 2021

St. John of the Cross Parish

Served by the Carmelites



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Reception ○

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

1st Communion & 1st Reconciliation 225

Confirmation, confirmation@sjocross.org 230

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY 305

RECONCILIATION

After the 9am Masses or by appointment.

BAPTISM

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 expected to attend the class. A registration package is available at the Parish Office or at our website for download. Email the completed forms to the parish office.

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 office.



CLICK TO REGISTER FOR WEEKEND MASS

Registration is required for in-person participation in the weekend Holy Masses: Saturday at 5pm; Sunday at 8am, 10am, 12noon, & 4pm.



Click here for Live Stream

All 9am morning masses, Monday to Saturday and the Saturday 5pm (Sunday Mass) Holy Mass will be livestreamed.

AddMe

To receive parish notifications, weekly bulletin and Sunday Mass link, click **AddMe** to be added into the Parish Email List.

PLEASE OBSERVE SAFETY PROTOCOLS FOR EVERYONE'S SAFETY:

1. 6-ft distancing at all times
2. Wear mask
3. Sanitize your hands when you come inside the church

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT

There is a promise of marriage on Saturday, October 2nd, between



Jose Mari Mercado & Mary Anne Laforteza

And between



Cameron Bayley & Rachel-Anne De Almeida

Please pray for these couples as they prepare for their wedding.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION: CONFIRMATION MEETINGS FOR 2021-2022

Registration for all sacraments is the responsibility of the parish. Children do not receive sacraments via the schools in their particular grade. Confirmation Meetings are scheduled at the church for all parents with baptized children preparing for these sacraments on the following dates:

Confirmation:

Sunday, September 26th, 6:00pm OR Tuesday, September 28th, 7:00pm

“Charity isn’t about pity, it is about love.” Mother Teresa

PARISH PRAYER GROUP

“I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me, and I in them bear much fruit; because apart from me you can do nothing.” John 15:5

“One With Church”

Talk by Fr. Charles Ching CC

You are invited to an in-person evening of:

Exposition & Benediction Praise and Worship Talk

Friday, October 8th 7:00-9:00pm

No registration required. The event will not be livestreamed.

See flyer in this bulletin for details.

NEW PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm

Monday to Thursday 6:00pm—8:30pm

Saturday 9:00am - 12:00pm 3:30 -6:30pm

Sunday 8:30am—1:30pm



Sharelife Collection next weekend. Thank you for your generosity!

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE



Society of Saint.Vincent DePaul,
Saint John of the Cross Conference
Annual Thanksgiving Food Drive

This year the Thanksgiving food drive will start on **September 18th**.

The collection of non-perishable food items is to assist our Neighbour in Needs within our Parish boundary;

The Thanksgiving food bins are located in the Rotunda and at the rear exit.

The following non-perishable food items are needed:

Canned Beans, Canned Vegetables, Canned Meats, Canned Chunky Meat Soups, Tuna and Salmon.

Kraft Dinner, Cereal, Peanut Butter, Jams, Pancake mix & Syrup, Pasta & Pasta Sauce, Tea, Coffee, Hot Chocolate mix, Juice Boxes.

Thanking you for your kind donations.

God Bless!



Two Steps to E-Transfer:

- 1) Send donations to: admin@sjocross.org
- 2) Send a separate email message to admin@sjocross.org with your Security Answer, your Name, Phone number, and purpose of this fund.

October 1st:

1st Friday Adoration & Benediction after the Holy Mass at 9am and 7pm.



This day is also the feast day of St. Therese of Lisieux (also called St. Therese of the Child Jesus).

No registration required.

NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

On Thursday, September 30, 2021, across the country, Canadians will be observing the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. The ongoing journey to healing and reconciliation has a particular relevance for Catholics throughout Canada given the church’s involvement in operating many residential schools and recognizing the suffering and intergenerational trauma that remains for many survivors to this day. This day provides an opportunity for all Canadians to recognize and commemorate the legacy of residential schools, and commit to working for truth and reconciliation in the relationship between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples in Canada.

All are welcome to join Cardinal Thomas Collins for a virtual prayer service on September 30, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. – you can access the prayer service through the St. Michael’s Cathedral Basilica livestream at: <https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/>. In addition, spiritual and educational resources relating to Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation can be accessed by visiting: www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 27, 9am

1. For the healing of Nadine & Adrian Kenny, requested by the Family
2. For the Blessings & Good Health for Robert & Sharon Blanchette, requested by the Ross Family
3. For Thanksgiving for blessings received, requested by the Katopo Family
4. For the soul of Hioe Fong Joen, requested by the Family

Tuesday, September 28, 9am

1. For Blessings & Good Health for Karen D'Souza, requested by the Ross Family
2. For Thanksgiving & Blessings for Fr. Joyson & Fr. Felix, requested by a parishioner
3. For the soul of Anna Rosalina, requested by the Family

Wednesday, September 29, 9am

1. For Birthday Blessings for Clint Nicholson, requested by the Nicholson Family
2. For the soul of John D'Souza, requested by Nikki
3. For the soul of John Benjamin, requested by the Benjamin Family
4. For the soul of Arthur D'Souza, requested by the D'Souza Family
5. For the soul of Roque Soares, requested by Cyrus & Rolinda D'Almeida
6. For Thanksgiving & Blessings for SJOC Parish Staff, requested by a Parishioner

Thursday, September 30, 9am

1. For the soul of Varghese Mundadan, requested by George & Family
2. For Thanksgiving & Blessings for SJOC Parish Volunteers, requested by a Parishioner

Friday, October 1, 9am

1. For the souls of Lawrence & Ida Maria Lewis, requested by the Nicholson Family
2. For the souls of Polson & Annie Karam, requested by the Nicholson Family
3. For Graces & Blessings for Deacon Claire Otteson, requested by Pearl-Mary Grace
4. For the deceased members of Hubert DeCunha Family, requested by Valerian & Blanche Lewis

Saturday, October 2, 5pm

1. For the soul of Stephen Joseph Vaz, requested by the Vaz Family
2. For the soul of Mary Victoria Murphy, requested

by the Murphy Family

3. For the soul of Ermelinda Antunes, requested by the Family

Sunday, October 3, 8am

1. For Birthday Blessings for Teresita Cruz, requested by Alma Dizon

Sunday, October 3, 10am

1. For the soul of Justina Victoria Perera, requested by the Perera Family
2. For the soul of Jean Reyes Moyano, requested by the Moyano & Reyes Families
3. For the soul of Tony D. Cunha, requested by the Cunha Family

*For these intentions, we pray.
Lord, hear our prayers.*

MASS INTENTIONS DEADLINE

To be included in the bulletin, mass intentions need to be submitted in the parish office by Tuesday at 6pm to appear in that weekend's issue.

DAILY MASS READINGS

September 27	Zechariah 8:1-8; Luke 9:46-50
September 28	Zechariah 8:20-23; Luke 9:51-56
September 29	Revelation 12:7-12a; John 1:47-51
September 30	Neh.8:1-4a,5-6,7b-12; Luke 10:1-12
October 1	Baruch 1:15-22; Luke 10:13-16
October 2	Exodus 23:20-23a; Matt. 18:1-5,10
October 3	Gen.2:7ab,15,18-24; Heb. 2:9-11; Mark 10:2-16

“... Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs.”

Matthew 19:14



FAMILY ACTIVITY FOR THE WEEK:

CATHLETICS FUN

Doing good, guys!

This week, we are moving on to the Sorrowful Mysteries. These are the sad times of Jesus and Mary’s lives while they were here on earth. See how many you can label. Write your answer on the line. Ask Mom and Dad for help.

A STUDENT’S PRAYER

Come, Holy Spirit, Divine Creator,
True source of light and fountain of wisdom!
Pour forth your brilliance
upon my dense intellect,
Dissipate the darkness which covers me,
That of sin and ignorance.

Grant me a penetrating mind to understand,
A retentive memory,
Method and ease in learning,
The lucidity to comprehend,
And abundant grace in expressing myself.

Guide the beginning of my work,
Direct its progress,
And bring it to successful completion.

This I ask through Jesus Christ,
True God and true man,
Living and reigning with you and the Father,
Forever and ever.
Amen.

St. Thomas Aquinas, 1225-1274





Statement of Apology by the Catholic Bishops of Canada to the Indigenous Peoples of This Land

We, the Catholic Bishops of Canada, gathered in Plenary this week, take this opportunity to affirm to you, the Indigenous Peoples of this land, that we acknowledge the suffering experienced in Canada's Indian Residential Schools. Many Catholic religious communities and dioceses participated in this system, which led to the suppression of Indigenous languages, culture and spirituality, failing to respect the rich history, traditions and wisdom of Indigenous Peoples. We acknowledge the grave abuses that were committed by some members of our Catholic community; physical, psychological, emotional, spiritual, cultural, and sexual. We also sorrowfully acknowledge the historical and ongoing trauma and the legacy of suffering and challenges faced by Indigenous Peoples that continue to this day. Along with those Catholic entities which were directly involved in the operation of the schools and which have already offered their own heartfelt apologies¹, we², the Catholic Bishops of Canada, express our profound remorse and apologize unequivocally.

We are fully committed to the process of healing and reconciliation. Together with the many pastoral initiatives already underway in dioceses across the country, and as a further tangible expression of this ongoing commitment, we are pledging to undertake fundraising in each region of the country to support initiatives discerned locally with Indigenous partners. Furthermore, we invite the Indigenous Peoples to journey with us into a new era of reconciliation, helping us in each of our dioceses across the country to prioritize initiatives of healing, to listen to the experience of Indigenous Peoples, especially to the survivors of Indian Residential Schools, and to educate our clergy, consecrated men and women, and lay faithful, on Indigenous cultures and spirituality. We commit ourselves to continue the work of providing documentation or records that will assist in the memorialization of those buried in unmarked graves.

Having heard the requests to engage Pope Francis in this reconciliation process, a delegation of Indigenous survivors, Elders/knowledge keepers, and youth will meet with the Holy Father in Rome in December 2021. Pope Francis will encounter and listen to the Indigenous participants, so as to discern how he can support our common desire to renew relationships and walk together along the path of hope in the coming years. We pledge to work with the Holy See and our Indigenous partners on the possibility of a pastoral visit by the Pope to Canada as part of this healing journey.

We commit ourselves to continue accompanying you, the First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples of this land. Standing in respect of your resiliency, strength and wisdom, we look forward to listening to and learning from you as we walk in solidarity.

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1 [Indian Residential Schools and TRC - Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops \(ccb.ca\)](https://www.cccb.ca/indian-residential-schools-and-trc)

2 [The CCCB website has a link to several apologies previously offered by Catholic bishops, including those offered by bishops at national TRC events](#)

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Life Chain 2021

Join the thousands participating in Life Chain across Canada & the US standing together in prayer and witness for moms and their babies



Sunday, October 3rd 2021

Where: OUTSIDE THE CHURCH

When: AFTER 12PM MASS

Whatever you do to the least of my brothers that you do unto me.
Matthew 25:40



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www.righttolifemb.com/life-chain/

