

Sunday, January 16, 2022

# St. John of the Cross Parish

*Served by the Carmelites*



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## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

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## RECONCILIATION

After the 9am Masses Mon. to Saturday 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.

## PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

Monday to Friday: 9:30am—4:30pm  
Saturday: 9:30am—1:00pm and 3:15-6:15pm  
Sunday: 9:30am—1:30pm



**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 to the Parish Email List.

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**PLEASE OBSERVE SAFETY  
PROTOCOLS FOR EVERYONE'S  
SAFETY:**

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

### Two Steps for E-Transfer:

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

**BULLETIN DEADLINE—MONDAY AT NOON**

DAILY MASS READINGS

January 17	1 Samuel 15:16-23; Mark 2:18-22
January 18	1 Samuel 16:1-13; Mark 2:23-28
January 19	1 Samuel 17:32-33,37,40-51; Mark 3:1-6
January 20	1 Sam.18:6-9,19:1-7; Mark 3:7-12
January 21	1 Sam.24:2-21; Mark 3:13-19
January 22	1 Samuel 1:1-4,11-12,19,23-27; Mark 3:20-21
January 23	Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; 1 Cor 12:12-30; Lk 1:1-4, 4:14-21

WORDS TO REMEMBER RELATING TO THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

**Penance**—a special action or prayer that shows that you are truly sorry for your sins. This is often given by the priest during your confession.

**Absolution**—the words of forgiveness that the priest uses in the sacrament of Reconciliation.

**Sin**—an action we do on purpose that hurts our relationship with God

**Conscience**—a small inner voice in our hearts that help us know right from wrong

Wishing all our students, teachers, and school administrators a healthy and great educational experience throughout 2022!

We keep you all in our prayers.



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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 17, 9am

1. For the soul of Loyola Fernandes, requested by Pearl, Lionel & Irene
2. For the soul of Thome Fernandes, requested by Fernandes & DeSouza Families

Tuesday, January 18, 9am

1. For the souls of Santarino & Sertorio D’Costa, requested by Marcus Antao & Family
2. For the souls of Lawrence & Ida Maria Lewis, requested by Marcus Antao & Family
3. For the soul of Victor Castelino, requested by Hedy & Robert
4. For the well-being of the Barrett Family, requested by Anne Gaynor

Wednesday, January 19, 9am

1. For the soul of Stella Carnelio, requested by Ivy Carnelio

Friday, January 21, 9am

1. For the well-being of the Kenny Family, requested by Anne Gaynor

Saturday, January 22, 5pm

1. Thanksgiving for blessings received, requested by Ossie & Bibiana Pereira
2. Thanksgiving for graces & blessings received, requested by Michael Fernandes

Sunday, January 23, 8am

1. For the souls of Tavares & Rodrigues Families, requested by the Rodrigues Family

Sunday, January 16, 10am

1. For the soul of Brian D’Costa, requested by the Rodgers Family
2. For the deceased members of Thomas & Henriquetta Ferrao Family, requested by the Colaco Family

2022 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

These are now available for pick-up and are on the table outside the parish office. Envelopes are numerically arranged. There is a list on the table to refer to, if needed. Please inform the office if your address has changed.

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*“... 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:**

### **2nd Sacrament: RECONCILIATION**

Ahhh .... What a blessing for us all to have this Sacrament! The Sacrament of Reconciliation restores our friendship with God every time we sin. Sin hurts our friendship with God but God loves you and me so much that He wants that friendship restored. So, He gave us the Sacrament of Reconciliation (often called Confession) so we can be brought back to that very special friendship and closeness with God.

When we sin, we hurt others, ourselves and our friendship with God. God always forgives us when we are truly sorry for our sins.

When we go to the priest for confession, God forgives all our sins and gives us special graces to help us become stronger so that we commit sin less and less, which means, that we are friends with God more and more. Wow!

Here’s a song to sing together—**What a Friend We Have in Jesus**. Ask Mom or Dad for help.

 <https://youtu.be/IRZC0hy9U8k> 

## **CATHOLIC FAITH Q & A:**

**Q: We learn that God loves us unconditionally. But then why is there Hell? That doesn’t seem unconditional.**

A: Perhaps you would agree that is someone loves someone else, that love would not include him forcing his will on the other. And while it is certainly true that the Lord wills to save everyone, he does not force us to accept his. God is not a slave driver, he is Love and love invites us to freely accept his offer of an eternal relationship.

While some thing that everyone wants to go to heaven, generally they have a heaven in mind of their own design. But the real heaven is not merely a human paradise; it is the Kingdom of God and all its fullness. In heaven is celebrated: Charity, worship of God, truth, chastity, forgiveness, esteem of the poor, humility, etc. And yet there are many, who rejects some or all of these values. Why would a loving God force people to enter into the eternal place which celebrates things they reject?

Hence, the existence of Hell is not opposed to God’s love. It is in conformity with the respect necessary for our freedom to accept or reject the relationship of love. Mysteriously, many come to a place in their life where they definitively reject God, and the values of the Kingdom he offers.






Msgr. Charles Pope, Sunday Visitor

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**"Now that I no longer desire all, I have it all without desire...  
Having nothing and possessing all things." - St. John of the Cross**

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## PARISH MOVIE NIGHT

Friday, January 28th, 6:00-9:00pm

### P a d r e P i o: B e t w e e n H e a v e n a n d E a r t h

Based on the historical records and the personal testimony of his fellow friars, this is the amazing true story of the life of the famous stigmatic monk, St. Padre Pio, a contemporary saint who died in 1968. Blessed with incredible spiritual gifts, including healing, bi-location, reading of souls, and the stigmatic wounds, Padre Pio was a powerful witness for Christ, and a great spiritual guide to countless souls for over fifty years.

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