

Sunday, January 30, 2022

St. John of the Cross Parish

Served by the Carmelites



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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 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.

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

BULLETIN DEADLINE—MONDAY AT NOON

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 31, 9am

1. For the soul of Vernon Carvalho, requested by Martha Dias
2. Birthday Blessings for Treffy & Fr. Bosco, requested by John, Sabrina & Family
3. For the souls of Nick & Naim Ayob, requested by Alen Ayob

Tuesday, February 1, 9am

1. For the soul of Michael D’Cunha, requested by Peter D’Souza & Family
2. For the soul of Rodolfo Rosales, requested by Maria Rosales Cruz
3. For the soul of Anita Leonardo, requested by Maria Rosales Cruz

Wednesday, February 2, 9am

1. Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Jason Desouza Junior, requested by the Desouza Family
2. For the healing of Patrick Gormley, requested by the Fernandes/Desouza Families

Thursday, February 3, 9am

1. For the intentions of M. Chan, requested by the Chan Family
2. For the souls of Nick & Naim Ayob, requested by Alen Ayob

Friday, February 4, 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. Thanksgiving for Joel, requested by the Meyn Family
4. For the soul of John D’Souza, requested by Ivy Carnelio

Friday, February 4, 7pm

1. For the soul of Deacon John Cannon, requested by Susan & Family
2. For the soul of Vernon Carvalho, requested by John Bosco Alumnae Canada

Saturday, February 5, 9am

1. Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Lian Desouza, requested by the Desouza Family
2. Good intentions for Tiffany Joseph, requested by

Erva Joseph

Saturday, February 5, 5pm

1. Thanksgiving for blessings received, requested by Ossie & Bibiana Pereira
2. For the soul of Ronald D’Souza, requested by the D’Souza Family

Sunday, February 6, 8am

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

Sunday, February 6, 4pm

1. For Gil l Duke’s Intentions, requested by Carmen Duke

DAILY MASS READINGS

January 31	2 Samuel 15:13-14,30,16:5-13a; Mark 5:1-0
February 1	2 Sam. 18:9-10,14b,24-26a,30-19:3; Mark 5:21-43
February 2	Malachi 3:1-4; Luke 2:22-40
February 3	1 Kings 2:1-4,10-12; Mark 6:7-13
February 4	Sirach 47:2-11; Mark 6:14-29
February 5	1 Kings 3:4-13; Mark 6:30-34
February 6	Isaiah 6:1-2a,3-8; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 5:1-11

*“ ... My past, O Lord, to Your mercy;
my present, to Your love; my future
to Your providence.”*

Padre Pio

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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:

4th Sacrament: CONFIRMATION

Boys and girls, do you know that the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation are closely related? Yup! They sure are. The Sacrament of Confirmation perfects in us that which was begun in Baptism. Hmmm ... what does that mean? It means that when we were baptized, we become children of God. We were given special help, called grace, so that we may grow in faith and goodness.

Confirmation unites us more firmly with Jesus Christ and the Church. When we get confirmed, we receive another special grace to deepen and strengthen our faith so that we can help others.

During confirmation, the bishop or the pastor of the parish, places his hand upon the head of the person to be confirmed. This is called the laying on of hands. Do you know, boys and girls, that this practice of laying on of hands for the baptized Christians started during the time of the apostles? That was more than 2,000 years ago and the Church continues to do exactly that.

After the laying on of hands, the bishop or the pastor traces the sign of the cross on the person's forehead using the Sacred Chrism (this is called anointing) and says, “Be sealed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit” and the person to be confirmed re-

sponds by saying, “Amen.”



Now, what is the sacred chrism? It is a mixture of olive oil and balsam, that the bishop consecrates once a year during the Chrism Mass. It is the



same oil that is used during baptism, during a priest's ordination, during a consecration of a church, and the blessing on an altar or vessels used during Holy Mass.

Just a few more thoughts about Sacraments:

Sacraments are efficacious signs which means that they not only signify but they cause. A stop sign indicates that a motor vehicle is to stop. If a stop sign is to be efficacious like a sacrament, it would not only indicate that the driver should stop, it would jump into the street, and by its own power, physically prevent the motor vehicle from moving. What makes the sacraments efficacious? From whom do they acquire their power? The power of the sacraments flow from Jesus Christ Himself, from His passion and death. Thus, every sacrament is laden with the divine life of Jesus and is a portal of grace through which we become incorporated into His divine life—we immersed in Him, He living in us. Neither time nor space can limit the supernatural reality of this incorporation.

Source: Experience Grace in Abundance, Sunday Visitor

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Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help continues to be prayed after the 9am and 7pm Holy Masses on Wednesdays.

The 7pm Novena is prayed before the Blessed Sacrament. Benediction follows after the Novena.

BULLETIN DEADLINE—MONDAY AT NOON

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**Join us on February 4th
at 9am or at 7pm**

**1st FRIDAY HOLY MASS
Followed by
ADORATION & BENEDICTION**

**Come! Let us worship and give
thanks before His Holy Presence
as one community of St. John of
the Cross.**

BULLETIN DEADLINE—MONDAY AT NOON



Council #12706

KNIGHT OF HEARTS *goes* VIRTUAL

Saturday, February 19, 2022
7:00 – 8:30 pm

Meal \$30.00 per meal

*Menu: Lemon Chicken in a lemon caper sauce,
Beef Brisket, garlic mashed potatoes, roasted
beets & carrots, mixed green salad with apple
and orange &
Blackforest cake in a cup*

Contact: Mike or Lucie 416 805 8832

Payment by Feb 1th
Zoom link will be provided
[Click here to order & for payment](#)



CATHOLIC FAITH Q & A:

Q: Jesus drove out some demons into a herd of swine, which ran down the bluff, into the water and drowned. Could not such an action be construed as cruelty to animals?

A: Well, the pigs are not really the point of the story, and we ought not to get too focused on them. More to the point of the story is the authority of Jesus Christ to cast out demons.

Thus, one might respond to the cruelty charge, that the Lord God has the capacity and authority to do this to the pigs, just as you and I might go to our garden, uproot withered tomatoes and replace them with corn. Further, having authority over animals, we also lead pigs to slaughterhouses.

One might still argue that driving the demons into the pigs was an arbitrary and unnecessary act by Jesus. But perhaps the Lord has reasons. For example, he may have wished to inspire a holy fear in those who saw the action. It was surely a memorable action, and while the townsfolk initially reacted with fear, it would seem they later welcome Jesus back with faith (Mk 5:17-20:7:31). Hence, Jesus makes use of the animals to bring blessings to human beings, which is fitting.

Culturally, pigs were considered by the Jewish people to be unclean animals. Thus the pigs also help to fittingly illustrate the uncleanness of demons, and the fate of those persisting in uncleanness.

Excerpt from Msgr. Charles Pope, Sunday Visitor

God is love. To have God is to have love. To live in God is to live in love. To experience God is to experience love. To express God is to extend the love of God in us to others.



Save the Date

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Council is having a virtual Knight of Hearts event via Zoom Video, Saturday February 19, 2022, as a post Valentine's celebration. This will give you a chance to meet via video and enjoy a 3 course meal with music/entertainment. More details will be coming shortly for this exciting event.



Thank you and God Bless!

Knights of Columbus

Prayer To Do The Will of God

O Father! O Son! O Holy Spirit!
O Most Holy Trinity! O Jesus!
O Mary!
Blessed angels and all you saints
of heaven,
Obtain for me these graces that
I ask
Through the Most Precious Blood
of Jesus Christ:

To do always the will of God.
To be always united with God.
To think only of God.
To love only God.
To do everything for God.
To seek only the glory of God.
To become a saint solely for God.
To know well my nothingness.
To know always more and more
the will of God.

(Here ask for some particular grace that you desire to obtain). Amen.

From "Mother Love"

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