# St. John of the Cross Parish



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#### BAPTISM

St. Vincent de Paul Society

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.

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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 office.

## Served by the Carmelites

#### MASS TIMES

Mondays to Saturdays: 9:00am Additional Mass on Wednesdays: 7:00pm Additional Mass on 1st Fridays: 7:00pm Sundays:

8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, and 4:00pm Sunday Vigil Mass at 5:00pm on Saturday

#### RECONCILIATION

After the 9am Masses Mon. to Saturday, 6:00-6:45pm before the Wednesday 7pm Mass, or by appointment.

#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday to Thursday: 9:30am—4:30pm and 6:00-8:30pm Friday: 9:30am—4:30pm Saturday: 9:30am –12:00pm and 3:15-6:15pm Sunday: 9:30am—1:30pm



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. Wear mask
- 2. Sanitize your hands when you come inside the church

#### **Two Steps for E-Transfer:**

1) Send donations to: <u>admin@sjocross.org</u>

2) Send a separate email message to

admin@sjocross.org with your Security Answer, your Name, Phone number, and purpose of this fund.

# SUMMER CAMP



The Parish is offering a 2-week Summer Camp for children going to Grade 1 to Grade 6 in September.

Week 1: July 18—22, 9:00am—3:30pm Week 2: July 25—29, 9:00am—3:30pm

Registration:	For 2 kids in the same family:	For 3 kids in the same family:
\$125 per child, per week	\$200 for both kids, per week	\$300 per week
\$200 per child for both weeks	\$350 for both kids, for two weeks	\$450 for two weeks

## Registration is now open.

Registration form can be picked up from the parish office or downloaded from the parish website. <u>https://stjohnofthecrossmi.archtoronto.org/</u>

Limited space available.

SUMMER CROSS CAMP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We are looking for volunteers 16 years old and above to help in the Summer Camp. If you are available, please contact the parish office.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE—MONDAY AT NOON** 



## 1st FRIDAY HOLY MASS at 9am & 7pm Followed by ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Come, let us adore our God as one community!

After the Holy Mass, please wait for the priest to reach the back of the church before leaving. Thank you!

Mary, Queen of Love, watch over women and their mission in service of humanity, of peace, of the spread of God's Kingdom!

## Free Books!

The Parish is giving away the books that are in the library on June 4th and 5th. They will be available in the rotunda.

Feel free to browse and take some books home.

## Women's Retreat this Saturday, June 4th. See the flyer in this bulletin.

## DAILY MASS READINGS

May 30	Acts 19:1-8; John 16:29-33
May 31	Zephaniah 3:14-18; Luke 1:39-56
June 1	Acts 20:28-38; John 17:11b-19
June 2	Acts 22:30,23:6-11; John 17:20-26
June 3	Acts 24:27,25:13b-21; John 21:15-19
June 4	Acts 28:16-20,30-31; John 21:20-25
June 5	Acts 2:1-11; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7,12-13; John 20:19-23

"... 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: Ascension of Jesus

Hi guys! After Jesus resurrected on Easter Sunday, he appeared a few times to his disciples, talked to them, ate with them, and continued to teach them. On the 40th day after His resurrection, Jesus and His disciples gathered one more time. During this time, Jesus blessed His apostles and as He was blessing them, He ascended up into the clouds and to heaven. The disciples were looking up the sky until they could not see Him anymore.

Then two angels appeared to the disciples and told them that Jesus will come back the same way He went up.



Where did Jesus go? Well, from the **I Believe in God** prayer that we say every Mass, it says that Jesus ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. Jesus also told His apostles that He will go to prepare a place for us in heaven. Isn't that great, boys and girls? Jesus is preparing a place for us in heaven!

But just because Jesus ascended into heaven does not mean that He left us. He actually is closer to us now than when He was still physically living her on earth. When he was physically living here on earth, He can only be in one place at a time. When He was in Jerusalem, he was not in Egypt or Mississauga or any other place. But now that He resurrected and ascended into Heaven, He is everywhere at the same time! And He promised that He will always be with us till the end of time. So there. Even if Jesus is not physically here on earth anymore, He *IS* still with us, all the time. So, let us celebrate Jesus' ascension this Sunday and thank Him for always being with us, okay?

## SJOC WORD SEARCH

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# **Set the World on Fire!**

After the Crucifixion, Resurrection and Ascension of our Lord, the Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles and other disciples. Amongst them were the women who followed Jesus. Women are to play an integral part in the Church's mission to sanctify the world and to bring the Good News to all nations. Together, we will reflect on the essential role of women to be warriors of prayer and leaders of action in the same world that longs for peace and harmony.

The Pentecost for Women WOMEN'S RETREAT Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup> 8:30am-3:00pm Retreat Master: Fr. Michael Corpus

Register in the Parish Office or <u>https://bit.ly/parishwomensretreat</u> \$12 (includes light lunch)

BULLETIN DEADLINE—MONDAY AT NOON

## FAITH Q & A

# Why there is pain and suffering in the world?

The questions about suffering are real! How can we reconcile God's goodness with the birth of deformed babies, with innocent people being killed or maimed by drunk drivers, terrorist attacks, starvation, disease or natural disaster? Where is God in all this? Isn't



God in charge of his own creation? Why didn't God prevent this? The picture of God doling out blessings for good conduct and curses for bad (Deuteronomy 11:26-27) was meaningful

for earlier stages of human history for nomadic tribes. But Jesus tried to correct the distorted view of those who see God as a cruel tyrant just waiting to punish people. In the gospel Jesus asserts that the real intention of God's will-is not to inflict blindness or leprosy or suffering upon people. Quite the contrary, God's glory and power is to be revealed through the removal of such scourges (Matthew 7:9-11). The Church's mission of healing, like that of Christ himself, is thus further proof of God's desire to eliminate human misery wherever it is found. Then why God willed Jesus and Mary and martyrs to suffer? In fact, it was precisely the anti-God forces-the enemies of God-who caused Jesus to suffer. Jesus' crucifixion was not orchestrated by God's will but by human beings who were acting in direct opposition to God's will. Besides, Jesus chose suffering to demonstrate God's love for us and the martyrs chose suffering as an act of witnessing to Jesus. Although sufferings can be considered God's ways of training us and disciplining us in holy lives, the

Bible gives two root causes of suffering as the result of our own sinful choices and the imperfect state of our world. We can sublimate our suffering by offering them for the remission of sins and accepting them as gifts of a loving and rewarding God. (Fr. Tony)

## Mary, Mother of God School Now Registering for September 2022/2023

Have you heard of Mary, Mother of God School? We are an affordable, private school (Grades K-12), deeply rooted in the Catholic tradition and located in the Roncesvalles/Parkdale area. We have an excellent academic program, a dynamic and joyful student life, and small classes where each student is known and loved. For more information please visit our website

at <u>www.marymotherofgodschool.org</u> or call us at 416-531-7897.

## What Really Matters

Not where you live, but how you live.
Not what you say, but what you do.
Not what you take, but what you give.
Not what you own, but what you share.
Not what you avenge, but what you forgive.
Not who you know, but who you help.
Not how you play, but how you pray.
Not how you enjoy, but how you are.
Not how you look, but who you are.
Not how much you work, but how much you love.
Not what's in the bank, but what's in your heart.
Not what others think of you, but what God knows.

David L. Weatherford

## MASS INTENTIONS

#### Monday, May 30, 9am

1. For the Repose of Maria Della Riza Fernandes, requested by her Family

## Tuesday, May 31, 9am

- 1. For the Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings of Isaiah DeSouza, requested by the DeSouza Family
- 2. For the Repose of Florine Rusquinha, requested by the Gulati Family
- 3. For the Repose of Bella Gomes, requested by the Family
- 4. For the Repose of Suzanne Irene D'Sa, requested by Anusha De Silva
- 5. For the Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings of Yoly Atendido, requested by Yoly
- 6. For the Repose of Irene Galvin, requested by John Galvin

## Wednesday, June 1, 9am

- 1. For the Birthday Blessings of Ian, requested by Ivy Carnelio
- 2. For the Repose of Katherine Bobnic, requested by the St. John Family
- **3.** For the Birthday Blessings of Conrad & Mavyn Lewis, requested by Conrad & Beatrice Lewis

## Friday, June 3, 9am

- 1. For the Blessings of Michael, Marie & James Harrison, requested by themselves
- 2. For the Repose of John D'Souza, requested by Ivy Carnelio
- 3. For the Repose of Lawrence & Ida Maria Lewis, requested by Nicholson Family
- 4. For the Repose of Polson & Annie Karam, requested by the Nicholson Family

#### Friday, June 3, 7pm

- 1. For the Repose of Viriato Menezes & Aninha Borges, requested by the Menezes Family
- 2. For the Repose of Yusuf Charharain, requested by Bella & Family

#### Saturday, June 4, 9am

1. For the Repose of Josefina Pineda, requested by the Lay Carmelites of St. John of the Cross

## Saturday, June 4, 5pm

- 1. In Thanksgiving, requested by Mavyn Lewis and Family
- 2. For the Repose of Jacinto & Teresa Medeiros, requested by their Children
- 3. For the Healing & Guidance of Christian Peters, requested by the Family

#### Sunday, June 5, 12pm

1. For the Repose of Lily Cachia, requested by the Duke Family

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

## **MEN'S FRATERNITY**



"Men, mark your calendars. 'That Man is You' is having our second Summer Retreat beginning on

Thursday 9th June from 7 pm to 9 pm in the church hall. The theme for the retreat is "Setting Captives Free". This will cover topics such as, substance abuse, sexual sin, abortion, the love of money and unforgiveness. It is sure to give men a lot to talk about. We know life is busy, but we just ask that you give the program a try. The program is getting started on 9th June and is held every other Thursday @7 pm in the Nessinger Hall.

We will make sure to have you out by 9 pm. The content and the fellowship can be truly transformational! Check the posters in the church for the topics On a regular basis, 'That Man is You! (TMIY)' is a program that combines Scripture, Solid secular research, and a little fun to address the pressures and temptations facing men in our modern culture. It seeks to form authentic leaders who will be capable of transforming homes and society. For the regular program which will begin in the September and gather once every morning for coffee and video presentations, which will be followed by breakout groups that provide an opportunity to discuss what's been presented.

The best way to judge a program is by its success. Men who've attended the program and have been Catholic their whole lives say this is the program they've been waiting for.

We would encourage you to register yourselves for the Summer Retreat or for the regular by email at the following address:

sjocrossmensfraternity@archtoronto.org Membership forms will also be available at the parish office and can be filled and handed in.

When registering please mention if you are registering for the summer retreat or for the regular program.

Attached is a link to a typical testimonial from participants, who have completed the program.

https://vimeo.com/342469814

Thank you, Core Team TMIY St John Of the Cross Parish, Mississauga

