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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.

Served by the Carmelites

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday:

9:30am-4:30pm and 6:00-8:30pm

Friday: 9:30am-4:30pm

Saturday:

9:00am -12:00pm and 3:15-6:15pm

Sunday: 8:30am-1:30pm

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

6:00-6:45pm before the Wednesday 7pm Mass or by appointment.

AddMe

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



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

THOUGH OPTIONAL, 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: 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.



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.

Community Rosary starts at 6:30pm led by the Rosary Apostolate Family Program.

Tuesday, November 1: All Saints Day

This feast honours all the saints of the Church, known and unknown.

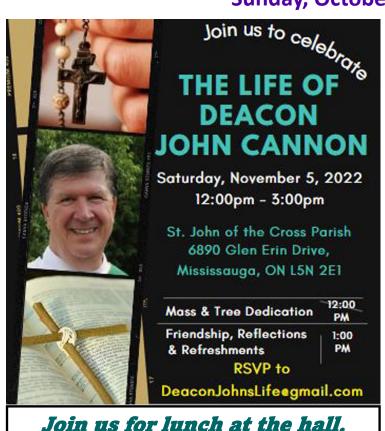
"All Holy Saints & Martyrs, pray for us."

Wednesday, November 2: All Souls Day

"Happy are those who have died in the Lord. Let them rest from their labours for their good deeds go with them." Rev 14:13

"May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace."

There will be a 9am and a 7pm Mass on both days.



RSVP for headcount. See you then!

RITE OF ENROLLMENT FOR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

There is a Rite of Enrollment for all 2022-2023 Candidates for Confirmation in all Masses this weekend for those who did not get to come lat weekend. Candidates are required to participate in this rite in **any** of these Masses:

Saturday, October 29th: 5:00pm Sunday Mass, October 30th: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, or 4:00pm

It is not the actual physical exertion that counts towards one's progress, nor the nature of the task, but by the spirit of faith with which it is undertaken.

Saint Francis Xavier

BOOK OF LIFE

On All Souls Day and throughout the month of November, the Book of Life containing the names of deceased loved ones will be placed in front of the altar. The souls will be prayed in all Holy Masses throughout the month.



There are three ways that you can have your loved ones included in the Book of Life:

- 1. Pick up a purple sheet outside the parish office, complete them at home and drop them in the church when completed. $\bf OR$
- **2.** Click the link below and write their names on the form that will come up. We will print their names and place them in the Book of Life. $\bf OR$

https://bit.ly/2022bookoflife

3. Go to the Parish Website. You will see the Book of Life right at the front page. Click on "Write Their Names".

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 31, 9am

- For the Repose of Brian Pinder, requested by Alice Pinder
- 2. For the Repose of Elias Chong, requested by Patricia Chong

Tuesday, November 1, 9am

- 1. For the Repose of Emilia Jozef Kupiec, requested by Elizabeth Zalewska
- 2. For the Repose of Lucien, Mary & Francis Apikian, requested by Their Family
- 3. For the Repose of Higino & Praxedes Castronuevo, requested by Lou Hufana
- 4. For the Repose of Virgilio & Carson Hufana, requested by Lou Hufana

Wednesday, November 2, 9am

- 1. For the Repose of Joe Cavio, requested by the Javier Family
- 2. For the Repose of Constantino Zacchigna, requested by his wife Laura
- 3. For the Repose of Irene Kutar, requested by the Robinson Family
- 4. For all the Deceased Members of the Pereira-D'Souza Family, requested by the Family
- 5. For all the Souls in Purgatory, requested by the Family
- 6. For the Repose of Monica Souza-Marques, requested by Her Daughter Linda D'Sa & Family

Thursday, November 3, 9am

- 1. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Evie DeSouza, requested by the DeSouza Family
- 2. In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received, requested by the D'Cunha Family
- 3. For the Repose of Lorenzo & Carmen Sonido, requested by Eleanor Sonido
- 4. For the Repose of Una Seuradge, requested by the Seuradge Family

Friday, November 4, 9am

- For the Repose of John D'Souza, requested by Ivy Carnelio
- 2. For the Repose of Fr. Herculan Silveira, requested by the Nicholson Family
- 3. For the Repose of Lawrence & Ida Maria Lewis, requested by the Nicholson Family
- 4. For the Repose of Polson & Annie Karam, requested by the Nicholson Family
- 5. For All the Deceased Members of the Joseph Family, requested by Erva Joseph

Friday, November 4, 7pm

- 1. For the Special Intentions of the Menezes Family, requested by Valerie Menezes
- 2. For the repose of Yousuf Chaharain, requested by the Chaharain Family
- For the Repose of Josefina S. Alegado, requested by the Alegado family

Saturday, November 5, 9am

1. For the Repose of Joaquin Fernandes, requested by Stella

Saturday, November 5, 5pm

- 1. For the Repose of N.M. George, requested by Annie George
- 2. For the Repose of Nick DeMello, requested by Cressy DeMello & Family
- 3. In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received, requested by the Robinson Family

Sunday, November 6, 8am

- For the Deceased Family & Friends of Marina & Zeno, requested by Marina & Zeno
- 2. For the Repose of Zdravko Bobnic, requested by Uncle Stan

Sunday, November 6, 10am

- 1. For the Repose of Yousuf Chaharain, requested by the ChaharainFamily
- 2. For the Repose of Fr. Cyril Pereira requested by Valerian & Blanche Lewis

Sunday, November 6, 12pm

- 1. For the Repose of Maria Apolonia Gomes, requested by Neela Gomes
- 2. For the Repose of Maria Casale, requested by St. Sebastian School
- 3. For the Repose of Babu Paul, requested by the Benjamin Family



This weekend is Coffee Sunday hosted by the Knights of Columbus.

Come, mix and mingle, and enjoy coffee and

cookies!



"... 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



2 Big Days this week, guys! You know what they are?

Tuesday, November 1 All Saints Day and

Wednesday, November 2 All Souls Day

On All Saints Day, we celebrate all known and unknown saints. We know a lot of known saints. Your school may be named after one. Our parish church is named after St. John of the Cross. He is our patron saint. Do you have a favorite saint?

There are also many, many unknown saints. They are unknown because we do not know or hear about them. Only God knows about them. God is very happy with their obedience to God, their kindness, their being forgiving, their being humble, their being charitable, their being respectful of others, their being prayerful, and all the good things that they did that they became saints. All saints are holy because they follow God's Will in their lives. They love God above all things with all their heart, with all their soul, and with all their mind. And God loves them and loves through them. The love between the saint and God is so strong that it spreads to other people and to many places. Wherever the saint goes, there is love. Where the saint is, God is, and where God is, love is. And God wants us all, each one of us, to be SAINTS! So, let's do it, boys and girls, let us ask God to help

us become His saints.

On All Souls Day, we remember the souls of our deceased loved ones. The whole Church pray for the souls of all who have died so that they can get to heaven. Our prayers for their souls will help them get to heaven faster. What is heaven, boys and girls? I asked an 8-year old girl yesterday and she said that heaven is where God is. *So true!* And where God is, love is! And love is where all good things are. And one more thing Heaven does not end! So we pray for the souls of our families and friends who have died, that their souls will get to heaven quickly so they can be in this never ending love.

And you know what, boys and girls? Once our loved ones are in heaven, they pray for us. They pray that we become saints. We become God's love carriers here on earth.

Isn't that amazing? All Saints Day and All Souls Day are all about love. I call it a Circle of God's love, a spreading of God's love between heaven and earth.



We love you all, boys and girls!

All known and unknown Holy Saints, pray for us.

Eternal rest grant unto the souls of our loved ones and on the souls of those who do not have anyone to pray for them, O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon them. May they get to heaven quickly. Amen.



Operation Christmas Child is Back!

The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to provide God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world, and together with the local church worldwide, to share the Good News of Jesus.

We invite you to pack a shoebox to put a smile on a child's face this Christmas. You are welcome to use your own shoebox or shoeboxes will be available before and after all the masses during the weekend of October 22nd and 23rd.

Further details about packing a shoebox can be found at:

https://www.samaritanspurse.ca/pack-a-shoebox

Filled shoeboxes are due back at the Church November 19—20.

To Include	Do Not Include	
Small Toys- toy cars, jump rope, balls etc.	Candy, chocolate, toothpaste	
School Supplies- pens, pencils, markers, crayons, notebooks, paper, coloring books	Used or damaged items	
Non-liquid Hygiene Items- toothbrushes, bar soap, combs, washcloths	War- related items such as toy guns, knives, military figures	
Accessories- socks, hats, sunglasses	Liquids or lotions	
A Personal Note- You may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself, your family, or group	Medications or vitamins	

For any further questions, contact:



CHURCH

Thurs	Nov 3	Folk Choir 7:00pm
Fri	Nov 4	LSS 7:00-9:00pm
Sat	Nov 5	Confirmation Catechism Class 9:00-11:00am

SEMINAR ROOM

Mon	Oct 31	RCIA 7:00-9:00pm
Tues	Nov 1	PTC—Social Time 1:00-4:00pm
Tues	Nov 1	KOC Exec Meeting 8:00PM
Wed	Nov 2	Sacramental Prep. 6:30-7:30pm
Sat	Nov 5	MFC 6:30-9:30pm

NESSINGER HALL

Tues	Nov 1	Line Dancing 1:00-4:00pm
Wed	Nov 2	CIC 6:00-7:00pm
Thurs	Nov 3	Bible Study 7:00-8:30pm
Fri	Nov 4	LSS 7:00-9:00pm
Sat	Nov 5	Men's Fraternity 6:30-8:30am

FREE WEBINAR!!!

ESTATE PLANNING FROM A CATHOLIC PERSPECTIVE

Saturday, November 12, 2022 at 9:00 am

Join this webinar and learn about the importance of a Will, Powers of Attorney & Estate Planning as well as Catholic teachings and traditions around cremation. The Archdiocese of Toronto estate planning team & Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services will share:

- How to protect your loved ones with a proper Will
- How to ensure that your wishes are legally protected
- About Powers of Attorney
- Estate Trustee selection
- Finding lawyers and estate planning advisors
- Our Catholic traditions around wills, cremation, burial and funeral

To register, send us an email development@archtoronto.org

Please include 'webinar November 12th' in the subject line and provide your name in the body of a message. Also, we would be grateful if, for the sake of our statistics, you could let us know whether you are planning to watch this webinar alone or together with a family member.

You will receive a link to closer the webinar.

HORIZONS OF HOPE:

BUILDING A COMMUNITY FOR END-OF-LIFE CARE

With the endorsement of Cardinal Collins, St. Francis of Assisi Parish is proud to partner with Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto using resources created by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops in piloting "Horizons of Hope."

This four-evening program offers education and discernment on end-of-life issues and palliative care. The number of deaths in our country due to euthanasia or medical assistance in dying is alarming. Our parents and grandparents are facing many hurdles in health care, and, as we age, we may also have to navigate similar challenges. "Horizons of Hope" aims at increasing our awareness of the current situation and provides tangible suggestions moving forward.

Presenters: Dr. Moira McQueen PhD

Sr. Mary Rowell, PhD

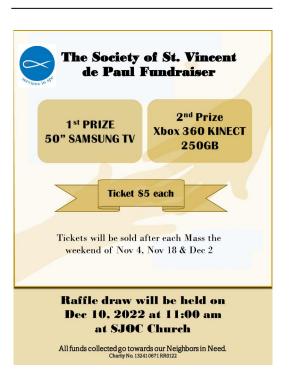
Shirley Christo MHSC, MEd, Parish Nurse

Dates & Times: Thursdays - November 3, 10, 17,

24; 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Location: St. Francis of Assisi Parish Hall

Those interested in attending **must register** at <u>St. Francis of Assisi parish website</u>. Click on the "HORIZONS OF HOPE" link **by October 31**st. There is NO cost to attend. Please call Arlene Morgan at 905.822.8132 ext. 6 if you need any assistance.



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