# St. John of the Cross Parish

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# A Blessed Thanksgiving

# to you all!

We give thanks with a grateful heart Give thanks to the Holy One Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.

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

		CHURCH
Thurs	Oct 13	Folk Choir 7:00pm
Fri	Oct 14	LSS 7:00-9:00pm

#### SEMINAR ROOM

Tues	Oct 11	Prime Time Club Social Time 1:00-4:00pm
Tues	Oct 11	Marriage Prep. 7:00-9:00pm
Wed	Oct 12	Sacramental Prep. 6:30-7:30pm
Thurs	Oct 13	Marriage Prep. 7:00-9:00pm
Fri	Oct 15	MFC 6:30-9:30pm

#### NESSINGER HALL

Tues	Oct 11	Line Dancing 1:00-4:00pm
Tues	Oct 11	Parish Rep Meeting 7:00-9:00pm
Wed	Oct 12	CIC 6:00-7:00pm
Wed	Oct 12	KofC General Meeting 7:30pm
Thurs	Oct 13	Bible Study 7:00-8:30pm
Fri	Oct 14	Life in the Spirit Seminar 7:00-9:00pm
Sat	Oct 15	Men's Fraternity 6:30-8:30am
Sat	Oct 15	Prime Time Thanksgiving 3:00—11:00pm

#### 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.



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

Two Steps for E-Transfer: 1) Send donations to: <u>admin@sjocross.org</u> 2) Send a separate email message to <u>admin@sjocross.org</u> with your Security Answer, your Name, Phone number, and purpose of this fund.

#### 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 will be closed on Monday for Thanksgiving Day.

"... 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



Happy Thanksgiving, boys and girls! Happy Thanksgiving families! Today, let us give thanks in a very special way to our God who created us, redeemed us, and comforts us. He is a faithful and caring God, one who always wants to be our bestest friend, now and for ever.

# Thanksgiving Prayer

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.

We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.

We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.

We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying,

through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know him and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. *Amen.* 



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#### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Monday, October 10, 9am

- 1. For the Repose of Leanne Rodgers, requested by Mum & Dad
- 2. In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received, requested by the Fernandes Family
- 3. For the Birthday Blessings of Ryan, requested By His Father
- 4. For the Repose of Carlos M. Fernandes, requested by His Son Tony & Jane
- 5. For the Birthday Blessings of Lauren Lobo, requested by the Lobo Family
- For the Birthday Blessings of Kimberley, requested by Clyde, Aria, Ezra, Liam & Fernandes Family

#### Tuesday, October 11, 9am

- 1. For the Thanksgiving Anniversary Blessings of Myron & Jennifer DeSouza, requested by the DeSouza Family
- 2. For the Repose of Myrtle D'Costa, requested by the Rodgers Family
- 3. For the Successful Surgery of Manuel Uy, requested by the Family
- 4. For the Repose of Leticia Pereira, requested by the Misquitta Family
- 5. For the Repose of Leanne Rodgers, requested by Lauren

#### Wednesday, October 12, 9am

- 1. For the Repose of Ivano Frank Truant, requested by the Family
- 2. For the Repose of Melba Rego, requested by Desmond Lobo
- 3. For the Repose of Isidra Lopez, requested by the Hernandez-Aquino Family
- 4. For the Healing of Nadine & Adrian Kenny, requested by the Family

#### Thursday, October 13, 9am

1. For the Repose of Agnes Sun, requested by Susanna Kwok

#### Friday, October 14, 9am

1. For the Repose of Stanley Poyail, requested by the Nicholson Family

#### Saturday, October 15, 9am

- 1. For the Repose of Clarence Rodgers, requested by the Rodgers Family
- 2. For the Special Intentions and Blessings of Christopher Cokco, requested by His Family
- 3. For the Repose of Vicenta Sandiego, requested by Girlie

#### Saturday, October 15, 5pm

- 1. For the Repose of Francisco Villanueva, requested by the Villanueva Family
- 2. In Thanksgiving for the Trinidad Family, requested by Chris & Mignonette Trinidad
- 3. For the Repose of Gerry Coutinho, requested by the Family

#### Sunday, October 16, 12pm

- 1. For the Repose of Manuel Fernandes, requested by D'Souza-Fernandes Family
- 2. In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received, requested by Sandra Mercer
- 3. In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received, requested by Sandra Fernandes

#### Sunday, October 16, 4pm

1. For the Repose of Victor Schembri, requested by Beatrice Schembri

#### PAKISTAN—HUMANITARIAN EFFORT

Devastating floods in Pakistan have displaced hundreds of thousands,. More than 1,500 people have died following record rainfall with 33 million throughout the country affected by this disaster. The Archdiocese of Toronto will channel donations through Catholic partners (including Caritas Canada – Development and Peace as well as the Archdiocese of Karachi) to support relief efforts underway.

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website <u>www.archtoronto.org</u>
- By phone through the Development Office 416-934-3411
- Thru the parish, making cheques payable to: Name of Parish – Pakistan Floods –

Humanitarian Relief

# BAKE SALE! BAKE SALE!

The Youth Group will be doing a bake sale and the Coffee Sunday on October 8th and 9th after all Masses. Come and mingle!



SJOC Women's Group

Invites all the ladies to a Spiritual Study on



# **Engaging the Struggles of Your Heart** By Jeff & Emily Cavins

Inner conflict? The study is an opportunity to face common struggles in life so that we may come out freer, lighter, and more at peace with ourselves.

# Struggles of the Heart that we will engage: Shame, Envy, Hopelessness, Appetite, Anger, Loneliness, and Fear

Every other Tuesday starting November 15th, for 8 sessions 7:00pm-8:50pm, in the Hall

> Registration: \$35 Register in the Parish Office by Sunday, October 16th.

"The heart is the place of decision, deeper than our psychic drives. It is the place of truth, where we choose life or death. It is the place of encounter ...." Catechism of the Catholic Church #2563

## From Fr. Joyson George O. Carm. Pastor

"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his love endures forever". (1Chronicles 16:34)

Thanksgiving gives us an opportunity to take an inventory of God's blessings in the last one year and to be grateful.

What a relief at this Thanksgiving for us all that having the peak of the pandemic is behind us, we can see light at the end of the tunnel. At this Thanksgiving, after two painful years, we are finally able to gather without restrictions around our family table with joy. Grandparents can warmly embrace their grandchildren with affection.

Life in its fullness returned to our church as well. We are able to worship together without much fear and other concerns. All our ministries, parish groups and organizations are fully back into the thick of things. This is indeed a year to be grateful to God.

G. K. Chesterton said, "When it comes to life the critical thing is whether you take things for granted or take them with gratitude". We are eternally grateful to the gracious God for giving us such a caring community with numerous parishioners with hearts of gold here at St. John of the Cross. It's your generosity that kept the church and its ministries going through these challenging times. A mighty thank you to all who supported the church through this pandemic with their time, talent and treasure and especially our volunteers. We could not have made this far without your generosity. It has really been an overwhelming experience. Learning from all these experiences, I can't agree enough with W. T. Purkiser about what he said, "Not what we say about our blessings, but how we use them, is the true measure of our thanksgiving".

"Giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ". (Ephesians 5:20)

May God Bless you and your family abundantly this Thanksgiving! Happy and Healthy Thanksgiving to you all!

Fr. Joyson



# 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. 2022.

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

The following non-perishable food items are needed:

Canned Beans, Canned Vegetables, Canned Chunky Meat Soups, and Canned Soups. Instant Noodles.

Canned Meats, Tuna and Salmon.

Kraft Dinner, Cereal, Peanut Butter, Jams, Pancake mix & Syrup.

All types of Pasta & Pasta Sauce. Canned Spaghetti & meatballs.

Tea, Coffee, Hot Chocolate, Juice Boxes, Fruit Cups snacks. Cookies, Crackers

There will be collection bins set up at each end of the church throughout the week and during all the weekend masses till Thanksgiving

Thanking you for your kind donations.

God Bless! SVDP/SJOC



# Bundle Up



# Society of Saint Vincent de Paul



We are collecting your donations at

St. John of the Cross

6890 Glen Erin Dr, Mississauga **On** 

October 15 - 16, 2022



#### We DO NOT ACCEPT

appliances, baby or regular furniture, books, mattresses, dishes, construction material or video tapes For more information visit www.ssvptoronto.ca





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List of Items Accepted and Not Accepted at Bundle Up Weekends.& Stores

# **Accept**

All Clothing (Any Condition)

All Footwear (Any Condition)

> Bedding (Any Condition)

**Drapery/Towels** 

Toys (New only)

# **Don't Accept**

Please we do not accept the following :

Baby items (Cribs, Car seats, strollers, or any other baby furniture )

> Construction Material (Any Condition)

> > Dishes (Any Kind)

Furniture

(Any Kind)

Books /Video/Audio Cassettes

