

Sunday, September 3, 2023


St. John of the Cross Parish

Served by the Carmelites



Feast of the Nativity (Sept. 8th)
of the Blessed Virgin Mary.



<p>PARISH OFFICE</p>	<p>SUMMER PARISH OFFICE HOURS</p>
<p>6890 Glen Erin Drive, Mississauga, ON L5N 2E1 Tel: 905.821.1331 E-mail: sjocrossmi@archtoronto.org Website: https://stjohnofthecrossmi.archtoronto.org</p>	<p>Monday to Friday: 9:30am - 3:00pm Saturday: 9:30am–12:00pm and 3:15- 6:15pm Sunday: 9:30 am 1:30pm</p>
<p>PASTORAL TEAM</p> <p>Fr. Joyson George, O.Carm, Pastor Ext. 228 Fr.JGeorge@archtoronto.org Fr. Felix Antony, O.Carm., Assoc. Pastor 224 FAntony@archtoronto.org Deacon Mark Romeo, 222 mromeo@archtoronto.org Liane Harris, Pastoral Associate 226 LHarris@archtoronto.org Violanta Nicholson, Secretary 223 VNicholson@archtoronto.org Diane Mejia, Reception 221</p>	<p>MASS TIMES</p> <p>Mondays to Saturdays: 9:00am Additional Masses on Wednesdays & 1st Fridays: 7:00pm Sundays: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, and 4:00pm Sunday Vigil Mass at 5:00pm on Saturday</p>
<p>SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION</p>	<p>RECONCILIATION</p> <p>6:00-6:45pm before Wednesday 7pm Mass or appointment.</p>
<p>1st Communion & 1st Reconciliation 225 Confirmation, confirmation@sjocross.org 230 Youth Group, ym@sjocross.org St. Vincent de Paul Society 305</p>	<p>SICK AND HOMEBOUND</p> <p>Please contact the office.</p>
<p>BAPTISM</p>	<p>Two Steps for E-Transfer:</p>
<p>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 completed forms to the parish office.</p>	<p>1) Send donations to: admin@sjocross.org 2) A separate email message to admin@sjocross.org with your answer, your, Tel. number, & purpose of this fund.</p>
<p>AddME</p>	<p>MARRIAGE</p>
<p>To receive parish notifications, weekly bulletin & Sunday Mass link, click AddMe to be added to the Parish Email List.</p>	<p>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.</p>
	<p>Live Stream</p> <p>All 9am masses, Monday to Saturday, & the Saturday 5pm (Sunday Mass) Holy Mass are live streamed.  Click here for Live Stream</p>

BULLETIN DEADLINE—MONDAY AT NOON

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION 2023-2024

First Communion and Confirmation Meetings are scheduled at the Church for all parents with baptized children preparing for these sacraments on the following dates:

First Communion Registration Dates

Registration packages will be delivered to the schools

Sunday, September 17th, 7:00-8:00 pm **OR**

Tuesday, September 19th 7:00- 8:00 pm

Confirmation Registration Dates

Sunday, September 24, 2023 at 6:00 pm **OR**

Tuesday, September 26, 2023 at 7:00 pm

The Link to attend the registration meeting will be provided to the schools and is also on the parish website.

For questions, please call:

First Communion/ First Reconciliation
905-821-1331 x 225

Confirmation
905-821-1331 x 230

Voice mail messages will be returned by members of the Sacramental Team



Growth in the Spirit Seminar

The Parish Prayer Group invites parishioners to the Growth in the Spirit Seminar on Fridays, 7:00pm-9:15pm on the dates listed below:

- October 6th:** Opening Mass & Groupings
- October 13th:** Gifts of the Holy Spirit
- October 20th:** The Word of God
- October 27th:** The Mind of Christ
- November 3rd:** Holy Mass & Talk on the Body of Christ
- November 10th:** Called to Proclaim
- November 17th:** Closing Mass & Potluck Gathering

If interested, please complete the Registration Form in the parish office **or** Online at the parish website under Latest News **or** click the link below.

REGISTER HERE

No charge to join. Love offering is welcome.

Happy Labour Day to all!
The Parish Office will be closed this Monday for Labour Day. There will be a 9am Holy Mass.



MASS INTENTIONS



Monday, September 4, 9am

1. For the Repose of Romeo Cowes, requested by the Family

Wednesday, September 6, 9am

1. For the Repose of Esther Coutinho, requested by the Coutinho Family

Wednesday, September 6, 7pm

1. For the Repose of Maria Santana Barreto, requested by the Family

Thursday, September 7, 9am

1. For the Repose of Nury Andrews, requested by Andrews Family
2. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Shannon Desouza, requested by the Desouza Family
3. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Sheila Rodrigues, requested by Dennis & Della

Friday, September 8, 9am

1. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Nico DeSouza, requested by the DeSouza Family
2. Special Blessings for Nadine & Adrian, requested by the Family
3. For the Repose of Myriam Sahiet Flores & Family, requested by the Flores Family
4. For the Repose of Flory D’Cruz, requested by the Family
5. For the Repose of Francisco Britto, requested by the Family

Friday, September 8, 7pm

1. In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received, requested by Joyce Gulati & Family
2. In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received, requested by Rohini De Zoysa

Saturday, September 9, 9am

1. For the Repose of Lucas, requested by the Serrao Family
2. For the Birthday Blessings of Neil Baksh, requested by Shara Baksh

Saturday, September 9, 5pm

1. For the Repose of Maryann Noronha, requested by the Family
2. For the Repose of Santuzza, Umberto & Giuseppe Ragogna, requested by Heidi Cairney

Sunday, September 10, 8am

1. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Jennifer Desouza, requested by the Desouza Family

Sunday, September 10, 10am

1. For the Repose of Rose Cottam, requested by Doris Goveas
2. For the Repose of Marlene Pereira, requested by Andrea & Keith Pereira

Sunday, September 10, 12pm

1. For the Repose of Laura Ann Kamran, requested by Goretti Miles
2. For the Repose of Iona D’Souza, requested by Carolyn Rhodes
3. For the Repose of Lidia Davila Hernandez, requested by Oscar D’Souza & Family

CHURCH

Tues	Sept 5	Joyful Worship Choir 7:00-8:30pm
Wed	Sept 6	Band Practice 8:00pm
Thurs	Sept 7	Folk Choir 7:00pm
Fri	Sept 8	Feast of the Nativity of the Mary 7:00pm
Sat	Sept 9	Childrens’ Choir 10:00am

NESSINGER HALL

Tues	Sept 5	Line Dancing 1:00-4:00pm
Thurs	Sept 7	Baptism Class 7:00pm
Fri	Sept 8	Pilgrimage Meeting 7:30pm
Sat	Sept 9	Lay Carmelites 9:00am-12:00pm

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

There is a promise of marriage this Friday, September 8th, between



**Benjamin Galang and
Cristine Zausa**

Let us pray for this couple as they prepare for their wedding.

WE ARE GOD'S FAMILY!



LABOUR DAY

Hi guys! This Monday is Labour Day, a holiday in Canada to celebrate and honour all workers and their contributions to the country. Do you know how the Labour Day holiday got started, boys and girls? It started on March 25, 1872 when the workers in a printers union went on strike. They were working 12 hours every day (long hours) and they were asking for a 9-hour a day work. They held a parade in Toronto, creating awareness about their work situations. They were supported by thousands of people and even by the Prime Minister at that time, John A. Macdonald. The workers union got their request for a 9-hour workday. It also marked the beginning of the Labour Day holiday which was made official to be on every 1st Monday in September, honouring all workers and what they do for our country.

Labour Day also signals the end of summer break. Families spend time doing leisure activities together before the new school year starts.

So, boys and girls, make sure you thank Mom, Dad, and your relatives for all that they do for Canada.

Let us pray, boys and girls:

Dear God, thank you for the Labour Day holiday, a day to remember and honour all workers. Bless all workers, Lord, especially our Moms, Dads, and family members. May they stay healthy and happy in their work and in their workplace as they help bring prosperity to their families and to Canada. Amen.

There will be a 7pm Holy Mass on Friday, September 8th in honour of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
Happy birthday, our Lady!

PARISH WOMEN'S GROUP

The Parish Women's Group invites all ladies to an inspiring and thought provoking retreat on the *Journey to the Heart of Religion*. What makes Catholicism unique? How do we respond to God's love and friendship? Truly, who is Jesus to my heart?

Journey to the Heart of Religion

Saturday, September 23rd

9:00am—3:30pm

Retreat Master: Fr. Marvin Diongzon O. Carm.



Lunch will be provided. Please register after any of the Masses this weekend for headcount. Love offering will be taken at the retreat. *See you all, ladies!*

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Get your bag of corn next weekend, September 9 & 10, after every Sunday Mass.

\$5 for a bag of 4. Cash purchase only.



TEX MEX

Saturday, Sept. 16th @ the Hall

Starting 6:30pm

Adults \$25 Children (6-10) \$15

For tickets: Click [here](#).

Do you know anyone who is interested to know more about God and the Catholic Faith or adults who have not received the Sacraments of Holy Communion and/or Confirmation yet? The Church offers the RCIA Program to help them prepare to receive the Sacraments. Please have them contact Liane Harris, Pastoral Associate, at the Parish Office for more information. RCIA Sessions start on Monday, September 11. **Let's journey together in faith and friendship!**



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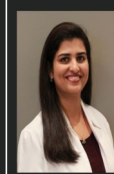
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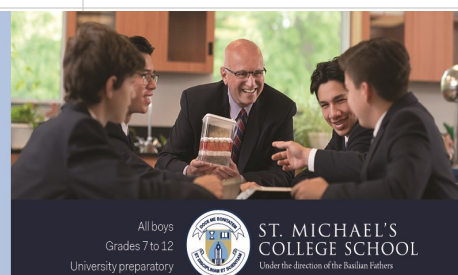
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