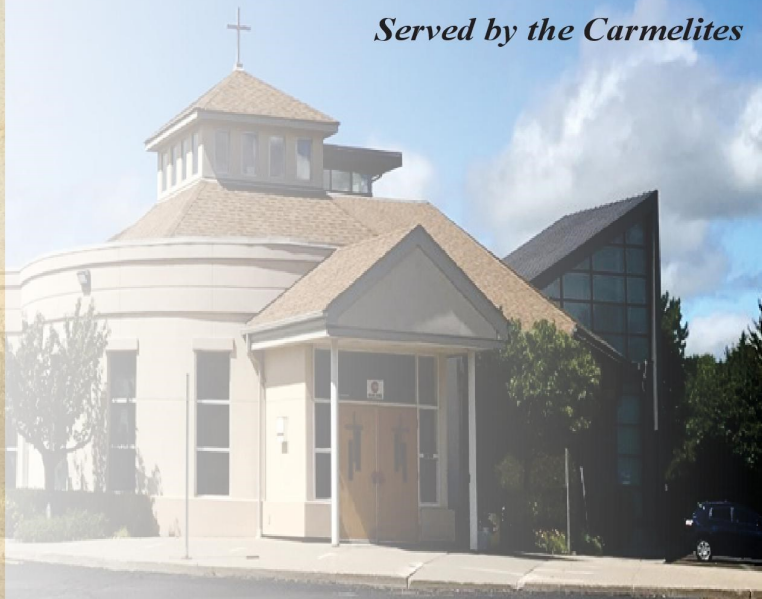


Sunday, November 17, 2024



St. John of the Cross Parish

Served by the Carmelites



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<p>PASTORAL TEAM</p>	<p>MASS TIMES</p>
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<p>SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION</p>	<p>RECONCILIATION</p>
<p>1st Communion/1st Reconciliation Sjoc-firstcommunion@archtoronto.org 225 Confirmation, Sjoc-confirmation@archtoronto.org 230 Youth Group, Sjoc-youthministry@archtoronto.org Vincent de Paul Society 305</p>	<p>6:00- 6:45pm before Wednesday 7pm Mass or appointment.</p>
<p>BAPTISM</p>	<p>SICK AND HOMEBOUND</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>Please contact the office.</p>
<p>AddME</p>	<p>Two Steps for E-Transfer:</p>
<p>To receive parish notifications, weekly bulletin & Sunday Mass link, click AddMe to be added to the Parish Email List.</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>
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<p>AddME</p>	<p>Live Stream</p>
<p>To receive parish notifications, weekly bulletin & Sunday Mass link, click AddMe to be added to the Parish Email List.</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, TWO WEEKS BEFORE

There will be a 2nd Collection this weekend for the Shepherd's Trust. Thank you for your generosity in supporting our retired priests, so that they will have the care that they need.

PARISH WOMEN'S GROUP

HO! HO! HO!

Pictures with Santa



Saturday, Nov. 30th & Sunday, December 1st

\$30 for 4 poses

Daytime and evening photo sessions available.

Register for your spot after any of the Sunday Masses this weekend.

100% of the proceeds go towards the purchase of our patron saint, St. John of the Cross, life-size, indoor statue for the parish.



Coffee Sunday this weekend! We thank the Knights of Columbus for hosting the Coffee Sunday after all Masses this weekend. Come, enjoy the fellowship and get to know another parishioner!



Along the Mystical Carmelite Way ...

Living in Allegiance to Jesus Christ

Jesus Christ, son of the Living God, is the person at the very centre of Christian life, and therefore of Carmelite spirituality.

Jesus of Nazareth, son of God and son of Mary, true God and true Man, is our model, our Lord, our brother and our friend. He is the 'Christ' or 'Messiah', God's anointed one,



who became human to tell us the Good News that God loves us. By pondering the words and actions of Jesus that we find in the Bible, we come to know what God is like: loving, compassionate, merciful.

The Carmelite is described as one whole lives 'in allegiance to Jesus Christ', who is expected to live devotedly in Christ, and to be whole-hearted in the service of Jesus. All the great Carmelites across the centuries have been drawn to the person of Jesus, as found particularly through pondering the Scriptures, and encountered in prayer.

The journey towards deeper union with Christ is the most demanding of all, as it leads us inwards into our own hearts. Carmelites find Christ in the very depths of their being.

Even in an age sceptical of organised religion, Jesus of Nazareth continues to exert an extraordinary fascination for people, especially the young.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



The Knights of Columbus are having their annual Pasta Knight on Saturday, November 23rd, 2-3pm. This will be curbside pickup. For pricing and details, please see flyer. Click the link or the poster to order.

<https://forms.gle/XnpdNMFw67t4houV9>

CHRISTMAS JOY MARKET



The CWL will be holding the 2nd Christmas Joy Market on Saturday, November 23rd and on Sunday, November 24th in the Church hallway and in the rotunda.

For inquiries, contact Jackie at 416.805.8154.

Details in the flyer.

Parking Lot Reminder

If your car is blocking another vehicle in the parking lot, kindly move it as soon as the Holy Mass is over. Thank you.

Heaven is wherever God is. The word "heaven" does not designate a place, but rather, indicates God's presence, which is not bound by space and time.

FAITH Q & A

Q: What is advent? Why do we observe it?

A: The word "Advent" is derived from the Latin word *adventus*, meaning "coming," which is a translation of the Greek word *parousia*. Advent is a period for devout and joyful expectation. The Advent season lasts for four Sundays leading up to Christmas. The Sundays of this season are named the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sundays of Advent. Advent begins four Sundays before Christmas and ends on Christmas Eve. It is observed as a time of penance, prayer and renewal of life preparing ourselves for the rebirth of Jesus in our lives. The purple or violet color of advent vestments used by priests signifies seriousness, repentance, and royalty. The color rose may be used in joyful expectation, on *Gaudete* Sunday (Third Sunday of Advent). The Advent wreath is a ring or wheel of evergreens decorated with four or five candles in the center. The wreath of evergreens depicts the immortality of our soul and the new, everlasting life promised to us through Christ. The four colored candles represent the four Advent weeks and the white central candle represents Jesus the light of the world.

Sunday, November 17, 2024

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 18, 9am

1. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Jana & Austin DeSouza, Requested by the DeSouza Family
2. For the Repose of Jacob John, requested by Diana & Ashwin
3. For the Birthday Blessings of Debbie Menezes, requested by Willy Menezes
4. For the Repose of Catherine Michael, requested by the Vincent Family
5. For the Repose of Philo & Clement Francis, requested by Lyndon & Elaine Francis
6. For the Healing of Carissa Gregorio, requested by T. Vergara

Tuesday, November 19, 9am

1. For the Deceased Members of the Espinheiro Family, requested by the Family
2. For the Repose of Wilfred D'Costa, requested by the Rodgers Family
3. For the Repose of Lourdes Lopez De La Cruz, requested by the Hernandez Family
4. For the Repose of Rose Viljakainen, requested by Anne Viljakainen
5. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Donald David Obedoza, requested by Sheila Obedoza

Wednesday, November 20, 9am

1. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Janice Manuel, requested by Jane & Tony Fernandes
2. For the Birthday Blessings of Nathan Simpson, requested by his Grandmother
3. For the Repose of George & Yvonne Lynch, requested by Lyndon & Elaine Francis

Wednesday, November 20, 7pm

1. For the Repose of Francis Strickland Gordon, requested by Gillian Gordon
2. For the Birthday Blessings of Helen Tisera, requested by the Family
3. For the Repose of Beatrice Peries & Francis Perera, requested by the Family

Friday, November 22, 9am

1. For the Repose of Santiago, Victoria & Maria Ferrer, requested by the De Leon Family
2. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Nadine, requested by the Family
3. For the Repose of Flor Sales & Rolando Nepomuceno, requested by Dorita & Efrén Regio
4. For the Repose of Susan Perron and Blanche Amesse, requested by Diane & Family
6. In Thanksgiving & 24th Wedding Anniversary Blessings for Adelle & Sanjay D'Silva, requested by the Family

Saturday, November 23, 9am

1. For the Repose of Lucien, Mary & Francis Apikian, requested by their Family
2. For the Repose of Ernest Ambrose, requested by the Robson Family
3. For the Repose of Marie & Gerald Haire, requested by Cavell Miller & Family

Saturday, November 23, 5pm

1. For the Repose of Rose Menezes, requested by the Da Costa & Menezes Families
2. For the Repose of Carl De Souza, requested by the Family
3. For the Repose of Anthony & Sabina D'Souza, requested by the Family

Sunday, November 24, 8am

1. For the Repose of Katherine Bobnic, requested by the Jensen/Bobnic/St. John Families
2. For the Repose of Remedios Fernandes, requested by Tony & Jenny Fernandes

Sunday, November 24, 12pm

1. For the Repose of Simon D'Cruz, requested by the Levarno Family
2. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Chriscele Tabios, requested by the Tabios Family
3. For the Birthday Blessings of Julian Laurel & Julia Leana V. Cruz, requested by the Cruz Family

CHURCH

Mon	Nov. 18	Adult Choir 7:00-8:45pm
Tue	Nov. 19	Joyful Worship Choir 7:00-8:30pm
Wed	Nov. 20	Band Choir 8:00pm
Thurs	Nov. 21	Folk Choir 7:00pm-8:30pm
Sat	Nov. 23	Children's Choir 10:00am

NESSINGER HALL

Mon	Nov. 18	RCIA 7:00-9:00pm
Tue	Nov. 19	Prime Time Club Line Dancing 1:00-3:00pm
Tue	Nov. 19	Parish Bible Study 7:00pm
Wed	Nov. 20	CIC 6:00pm
Thurs	Nov. 21	Knights of Columbus 9:00am-12:00pm
Thurs	Nov. 21	Prayer Group 7:00pm
Sat	Nov. 23	Men's Fraternity 6:00am-9:00am
Sat	Nov. 23	Christmas Joy Market
Sat	Nov. 23	K of C Pasta Night

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS ROOM

Wed	Nov. 20	Prime Time Club Crafts 1:00-3:00pm
Sat	Nov. 23	Confirmation Prep, Non-Catholic School 1:00pm

BASEMENT CARMEL A ROOM

Sun	Nov. 17	Youth Group 5:30-7:30pm
Tues	Nov. 19	CWL Council Meeting 7:00pm
Wed	Nov. 20	Sacramental Preparation 6:00pm
Fri	Nov. 22	GPS Kids Bible Study 6:00pm

BASEMENT LISIEUX ROOM

Wed	Nov. 20	CWL Crafts 7:00-9:00pm
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Details of the Fundraiser:

Order Dates: Nov. 16 to 24
Poinsettia Colors Available: Holiday Blast 8" pot. Red, white, and pink size 8"
Pickup Date: Saturday, December, 12pm - 2pm
Prices: \$ 30.00 each
 If interested, please complete an order form at the back of the church after Mass this weekend.

November 17th is World Day of the Poor

Jesus said, "For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat; I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink; I was a stranger and you welcomed me; I was naked and you clothed me; I was ill and you took care of me; I was in prison and you came to visit me." - Matthew 25:35

Let us remember our less fortunate brothers and sisters and reach out to help, directly or indirectly, through organizations like St. Vincent de Paul Society, that assist people who are in a poverty situation. <https://ssvp.ca/>

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