

Sunday, October 6th, 2024

St. John of the Cross Parish



OUR LADY OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY

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SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION	RECONCILIATION
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	6:00- 6:45pm before Wednesday 7pm Mass or appointment.
BAPTISM	SICK AND HOMEBOUND
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.	Please contact the office.
AddME	Two Steps for E-Transfer:
To receive parish notifications, weekly bulletin & Sunday Mass link, click AddMe to be added to the Parish Email List.	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.
Live Stream	MARRIAGE
All 9am masses, Monday to Saturday, & the Saturday 5pm (Sunday Mass) Holy Mass are live streamed.	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.



BULLETIN DEADLINE—MONDAY AT NOON, TWO WEEKS BEFORE

CANADA NEEDS OUR LADY

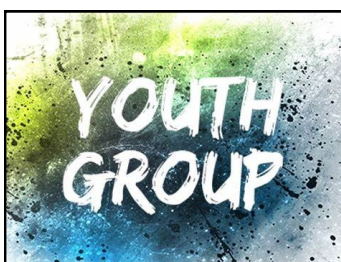
Praying the Rosary for Canada

Saturday, October 12th, 2024 at 12pm by the outdoor statues of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. John of the Cross, (Gananoque and Glen Erin Drive).



NON-CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Confirmation preparation for candidates from Non-Catholic Schools follow a different track than the candidates from the Catholic Schools. Please inform the Registration Confirmation Team that your son or daughter goes to a Non-Catholic School or contact the Parish Office. The Confirmation Parent Meeting for this group will be on Thursday, October 17, 7pm.



Youth Group Gathers Every Other Sunday, 5:30-7:30pm in the Carmel 1 & 2 Rooms.

October 6th, October 20th, November 3rd, November 17th, December 1st, December 15th

Youths in the Parish, you're all invited. Come!

The Confirmation Parents Make-up Meeting will be on Thursday, October 10th, at 7pm.

Along the Mystical Carmelite Way

Contemplation is primarily something we receive, not something we do. For the Carmelite, contemplation is essentially a **gift of God** which we prepare to receive through 'de-centering', making God and others, rather than ourselves, the centre of our lives and everything we do. Preparation to receive the gift of contemplation involves two key elements of Carmelite spirituality: emptying ourselves in order to receive God (*vacare Deo*) and purity of heart (*puritas cordis*). This means that we seek, with the help of God, to remove 'false gods' and sinfulness from our lives so as to be open to welcome His grace and inner healing.



Contemplation is an encounter with God which transforms us. It is a kind of letting go. It means resting in God, beyond words, beyond thoughts, beyond activity. It is taking to heart the words of God in the psalm: 'Be still and know that I am God.'

An important emphasis in the Carmelite tradition is the need to alert people to the fact that contemplation, as God's gift, is **open to all**: it is not the preserve of monks, or friars, or nuns, or those with plenty of leisure time. It is as much **for busy people**, leading busy lives, as for anyone else.

Our Lady of the Rosary



Saint Pius V established the feast of Our Lady of Victory to thank God for the Christian defeat of the Turks at Lepanto—a victory attributed to praying the rosary. Pope Gregory XIII changed the name to Feast of the Holy Rosary—originally celebrated on the first Sunday in October—in 1573. Pope Clement XI extended the feast to the universal Church in 1716. And in 1913, Saint

Pius X set the date for the feast that we know today of October 7.

The purpose of the rosary is to help us meditate on the great mysteries of our salvation. Pius XII called it a compendium of the gospel. The main focus is on Jesus—his birth, life, death, and resurrection. The "Our Fathers" remind us that Jesus' Father is the initiator of salvation. The "Hail Marys" remind us to join with Mary in contemplating these mysteries. They also make us aware that Mary was and is intimately joined with her Son in all the mysteries of his earthly and heavenly existence. The "Glory Bes" remind us that the purpose of all life is the glory of the Trinity.

The rosary appeals to many. It is simple. The constant repetition of words helps create an atmosphere in which to contemplate the mysteries of God. We sense that Jesus and Mary are with us in the joys and sorrows of life. We grow in hope that God will bring us to share in the glory of Jesus and Mary forever.

The Holy Rosary is prayed before the 9am weekday Mass, Monday to Saturday, and before the 7pm Wednesdays and 1st Friday Masses in our parish.

The Parish Family Ministry is also taking the pilgrim statue of Our Lady of Mount Carmel to families in our parish and praying the Holy Rosary with them.

Archbishop Leo's October Message:

Month of the Rosary and of the Missions

... Through the Rosary the faithful receive abundant grace, as though from the very hands of the Mother of the Redeemer" (1). In addition, we are encouraged to pray for peace in the world since "to rediscover the Rosary means to immerse oneself in contemplation of the mystery of Christ who "is our peace", since he made "the two of us one, and broke down the dividing wall of hostility" (Eph 2:14). Consequently, one cannot recite the Rosary without feeling caught up in a clear commitment to advancing peace, especially in the land of Jesus, still so sorely afflicted and so close to the heart of every Christian" (6). Finally, the other great prayer intention always associated with the Rosary, is that for families. As the Pope stated: "A similar need for commitment and prayer arises in relation to another critical contemporary issue: the family, the primary cell of society, increasingly menaced by forces of disintegration on both the ideological and practical planes, so as to make us fear



[\(Read more\)](#)

Sunday, October 6th, 2024

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 7, 9am

1. For the Repose of Nury Andrews, requested by the Andrews Family
2. In Thanksgiving to Vincent Andrews, requested by Charlene Rattos & Family
3. For the Birthday Blessings of Nathan Louzado, requested by the Louzado Family
4. For the Repose of Mary Gonsalves, requested by Earl & Indira Coutinho

Tuesday, October 8, 9am

1. In Thanksgiving & 80th Birthday Blessings for Tess Rayo, requested by the Family

Wednesday, October 9, 9am

1. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Felicidade Varao, requested by Fortuna Alejandro
2. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Kimberly Anne Varias-Lemus, requested by the Alejandro Family
3. For the Repose of Amy & Albert Misquitta, requested by Elma Sastry
4. For the Repose of Agripino N. Estrellas Jr., requested by Mark & Vivien Estrellas & Family

Wednesday, October 9, 7pm

1. For the Repose of John Dominic Fernandes, requested by Jackie & Children

Thursday, October 10, 9am

1. For the Repose of Leanne Rodgers, requested by Mom & Dad
2. For the Repose of Carlos Fernandes, requested by Jane & Tony Fernandes
3. For the Repose of Christopher Gomes, requested by Ayres Gomes & Family

Friday, October 11, 9am

1. In Thanksgiving & Wedding Anniversary Blessings for Myron & Jennifer DeSouza, requested by the DeSouza Family
2. For the Repose of Peter Carl Braganza, requested by Priscilla Braganza & Family

Saturday, October 12, 9am

1. For the Repose of Audrey Fletcher, requested by Andrea & Keith Pereira
2. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for George Monteiro, requested by Earl & Indira Coutinho

Saturday, October 12, 5pm

1. For the Repose of Nila Poerba, requested by Ryan Downey
2. For the Repose of Oscar D'Mello, requested by the DeSouza Family
3. In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received, requested by the Hugh Menezes Family
4. For the Repose of Sylvester & Theodaine Fernandes, requested by Anne & Hugh Menezes
5. For the Repose of Demetrio Passante, requested by the Cairney Family
6. For the Repose of Santuzza & Umberto Ragogna, requested by the Cairney Family

Sunday, October 13, 8am

1. For the Repose of Stanislav Bobnic, requested by the Jensen/Bobnic/St. John Families
2. For the Birthday Blessings of Elijah Rego, requested by the Rego Family

Sunday, October 13, 10am

1. For the Repose of Francisco Leyva Villanueva, requested by the Villanueva Family

Sunday, October 13, 12pm

1. For the Repose of Kasthuri & Mohan, requested by Jaya & Family
2. For the Repose of Elizabeth Peter, requested by Arun and Family
3. For the Repose of Nawab Money & Mary Mani, requested by Arun & Family
4. For the Repose of Antonia De Ponte, requested by Jackie Fernandes & Family
5. For the Repose of Philomena & Cornelius Lobo, requested by the Lobo Family

6. For the Repose of Frank & Margaret Mooney, requested by Paula, Pat, Brendan & Ashling Nolan

Sunday, October 13, 4pm

1. For the Repose of Agapita Alisuag, requested by the Alisuag Family
2. For the Repose of Victor Schembri, requested by the Shembri Family
3. For the Healing of Emilio Dee Cristobal Jr., requested by Thess, Pablo & Family
4. For the Repose of Leonardo Dee Cristobal, requested by Thess, Pablo, & Family

CHURCH

Mon	Oct. 7	Adult Choir 7:00-8:45pm
Tue	Oct. 8	Altar Server Training 6:00-7:00pm
Tue	Oct. 8	Joyful Worship Choir 7:00-8:30pm
Wed	Oct. 9	Band Choir 8:00pm
Thurs	Oct. 10	Folk Choir 7:00pm-8:30pm
Sat	Oct. 12	Children's Choir 10:00am
Sat	Oct. 12	Lector Training 11:00am-12:00pm

NESSINGER HALL

Mon	Oct. 7	RCIA 7:00pm
Tue	Oct. 8	Prime Time Club Line Dancing 1:00-3:00pm
Thurs	Oct. 8	Bible Study 7:00pm
Wed	Oct. 9	Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:00pm
Thurs	Oct. 10	Prayer Group 7:00pm
Sat	Oct. 12	Men's Fraternity 6:00am-9:00am

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS ROOM

Wed	Oct. 9	Prime Time Club Crafts 1:00-3:00pm
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Sun	Oct. 6	Youth Group 5:30-7:30pm
Mon	Oct. 7	CWL Exec. Meeting 7:00pm
Thurs	Oct. 10	SVDP 7:00-9:00pm

BASEMENT LISIEUX ROOM

Wed	Oct. 9	CWL Crafts 7:00-9:00pm
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There will be a Building Fund Collection this weekend for the ongoing projects in the church. Please place the envelopes along with the regular collection. *Thank you for your generosity!*

Fall Dinner & Dance

The Catholic Women's League (CWL) will hold a Fall Dinner and Dance on October 19 in the Nessinger Hall at St. John of the Cross Parish. Tickets are \$45.00, and there will be a cash bar. The CWL will sell tickets this weekend after each mass. Please bring your money to join the fun. Last chance!



There will be a second collection this weekend for the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund.

Thank you for your support!


The 3rd Order Lay Carmelite hosts the Coffee Sunday this weekend, October 5-6 after all Sunday Masses.

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