

Sunday, April 20, 2025

# St. John of the Cross Parish

**Christ  
has  
risen**

**ALLELUIA!**

**Rev. Fr. Joyson George, O.Carm, Pastor,  
Rev. Fr. Joby Joseph, O.Carm, Associate Pastor  
Deacon Mark Romeo, Deacon Ferdinand D'Souza  
Liane Harris, Pastoral Associate,  
Violanta Nicholson, Secretary, Diane Mejia, Reception**

**BULLETIN DEADLINE—MONDAY AT NOON, TWO WEEKS BEFORE**



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### ***A Mighty Thank you!***

We would like to express our deep gratitude to all who helped in the Holy Week Celebrations including Virginia Tan and the Lector Ministry; Danny Pavan and the Eucharistic Ministry Team; Alice Pinder and the Altar Servers Team; Donna Abalos, Julia D'Souza, and the Altar Society Team; Deanne Taylor and the Music Ministry Team; Ed Clarence and the Ushers Team; Kristen Lobo and the Youth Group Team; Joshua Silveira and the Knights of Columbus; Marina Perera and the CWL for the Easter eggs; Liane Harris and the RCIA/RCIC Team and the Easter Vigil Reception Team; Mary Grace Krzyworuszka, Sacristan; our live streamers and slide operators; and to all who generously contributed to the Sanctuary flowers and to the Easter Vigil Reception. Thank you for helping make the celebrations welcoming, inspiring, and holy.

As you continue to serve the community of St. John of the Cross with humility and joy, may our faithful and merciful God reveal Himself more to you. May your days ahead be grace-filled.

God bless,

*Fr. Joyson*

*Thank  
You!*

## **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**



Please join the CWL - St. John of the Cross Church in celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel on

**Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>  
at the 9:00 am Mass**

Followed by light refreshments in  
Nessinger Hall. *Everyone is welcome.*

## **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

**April 27<sup>th</sup>**

Coordinated by the Parish Prayer Group

2:45pm Exposition & Benediction

3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet followed  
by the blessings of Divine Mercy  
Icons

4:00pm Sunday Holy Mass

*Bring your Divine Mercy icons  
that you want blessed and place them  
at the foot of the altar.*



**Parish Office is Closed on:**

Good Friday, April 18<sup>th</sup>

Holy Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup>

Easter Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup>

Easter Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup>

*Happy Easter!*



Happy  
Easter to all  
parishioners  
and friends!

## **An Easter Prayer**

Dear Lord,  
You loved this world so much,  
That you gave your one and only Son,  
That we might be called your children too.  
Lord, help us to live in the gladness and grace  
Of Easter Sunday, everyday.  
Let us have hearts of thankfulness  
For your sacrifice.  
Let us have eyes that look upon  
Your grace and rejoice in our salvation.  
Help us to walk in that mighty grace  
And tell your good news to the world.  
All for your glory, do we pray, Lord.  
Amen.

## **Welcome to the Catholic Faith and to our Parish Community!**

Welcome new members of the Church! You faithfully walked the journey through the Parish RCIA (RCIC for children) Program, coming every week since September 2024 to know more about God, the Catholic Church teachings and traditions. We keep you all and your families in prayers, that you continue to grow in faith, wisdom, and courage. May our good and gracious God continue to reveal Himself to you as you are nourished by His Word and His Sacraments. *We love you all!*

Aaron Puli	Laureta Prifti
Advait Arun	Logan Lalwah
Alain fossi	Luciano Salmon
Alexander Nowicki	Lydia Zylstra
Amara Bineseree	Nicole Aros
Cole Gifford	Olabisi Ola
Elisa Cane	Phil Huang
Elisa McKilay	Rachel King
Emma Abbate	Raffaele Abbate
Gia Bronilla	Reign Austin
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Jason Babalola	Xenia King
John Yeung	Xiao Liu
Joselito Remigio	



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## BEREAVEMENT SESSIONS

Bereavement Sessions start on Tuesday, May 6th from 6pm -8pm for 6 consecutive weeks. Sessions are conducted by ministers certified in Grief and Bereavement by the Archdiocese of Toronto. We have been dealing with grief for over 10years and all of the minsters have experienced personal losses in their lives. Grief or tears may not show it's ugly face for years but sooner or later we'll need help to heal our broken heart. For more information email [muriel1066@bell.net](mailto:muriel1066@bell.net) Please include your phone number.

*Let us pray for peace in the world.*

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday, April 21, 9am

1. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Heather DeSouza, requested by the DeSouza Family
2. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Agatha Ude, requested by the Family
3. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Euphemia Chieyku-la, requested by the Family
4. For the Repose of Manuel & Antonina Angulo, requested by Ida Quemi
5. For the Repose of Rinaldo & Ja7o Bernardone, requested by Pam Olivieri

### Tuesday, April 22, 9am

1. For the Birthday Blessings of Trevor Devotta, requested by Albina
2. In Thanksgiving for 10th Anniversary Blessings of Jonathan & Esther, requested by the Family

### Wednesday, April 23, 9am

1. For the Repose of Louisa Vanderlowen, requested by Marylou Vanderlowen
2. For Special Blessings on Nadine, Adrian & Max, requested by the Family

### Thursday, April 24, 9am

1. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Luther & Issac DeSouza, requested by the DeSouza Family
2. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Sherene D'Crus, requested by the D'Crus Family
3. For the Healing of Elisa Elizabeth Lee, requested by the Lee Family

### Friday, April 25, 9am

1. For the Repose of Ida Maria Lewis-Antao, requested by the Family

### Saturday, April 26, 9am

1. In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Good Counsel, requested by SJOC - CWL Council

### Saturday, April 26, 5pm

1. For the Repose of Cajetan D'Souza, requested by the Fernandes & D'Souza Families
2. For the Repose of Maggie Remedios, requested by Tim & Rhonda Remedios
3. For the Repose of Francis Lobo, requested by Tim & Rhonda Remedios
4. For the Repose of Stanislaw Skubisz, requested by his Daughter
5. For the Repose of Leemar Morris, requested by Gary D'Souza & Family

### Sunday, April 27, 8am

1. For the Repose of Bertha Monteiro, requested by Earl & Indira Coutinho & Family
2. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Alison Sastry, requested by Mum & Brian

### Sunday, April 27, 12pm

1. For the Repose of Artemio Pulido, requested by the Family
2. For the Repose of Francis D'Souza, requested by the Cabral Family

## PARISH WOMEN'S GROUP

Inviting all ladies and their families:

Put on your walking shoes, wear pink, and together, let's walk/bike/run on

### Saturday, May 3rd, at 8am for Mother's Day Walk-A-Thon

Mark your calendar! Signups next weekend.

An initiative of the Parish Women's Group to support the Breast Cancer Research

Click to donate towards the research:

<https://bcsc.akaraisin.com/ui/mothersdaywalk2025/t/SJOCWomensGroup>



### Gardening Volunteers Needed

Our Gardening Committee meets during the gardening season for about 3 hours every Tuesday morning for planting, weeding, deadheading and other gardening activities. Committee members also volunteer to water the gardens every day at a time convenient to the volunteer(s). If you are able to assist in either of the above activities, please contact Al Cormier at [alcormier2@sympatico.ca](mailto:alcormier2@sympatico.ca)



### Calling Young Adults!



Spiritus West Ministry of the archdiocese invites you to a ministry night at St. Mary's Church in Brampton on April 23rd, 7:00pm.

Register for headcount:

<https://ocytoronto.org/events/spiritus-west-he-is-risen>

### CHURCH

Tues	Apr. 22	Joyful Worship Choir 7:00-8:30pm
Wed	Apr. 23	Band Choir 8:00pm
Thura	Apr. 24	Folk Choir 7L00-8:30pm
Sat	Apr. 26	Children's Choir 10:00am

### ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS ROOM

Wed	Apr. 23	PTC Crafts 1:00-3:00pm
Thurs	Apr. 24	Women's Group Walk-A-Thon Mtg. 7:00pm

### NESSINGER HALL

Mon	Apr. 21	RCIA 7:00-9:00pm
Tues	Apr. 22	Line Dancing 1:00-3:00pm
Tues	Apr. 22	Bible Study 7:00-9:00pm
Wed	Apr. 23	CIC 6:00-6:45pm
Thurs	Apr. 24	Prayer Group 7:00-9:00pm
Fri	Apr. 25	PTC Event 5:00pm
Sat	Apr. 26	CWL Our Lady of Good Counsel Feast & Movie 9:00am-3:00pm

### CARMEL ROOM A

Thurs	Apr. 24	Rosary Apostolate 7:00-9:00pm
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### BASEMENT LISIEUX ROOM

Tues	Apr. 22	CWL 7:88-8:30pm
Thurs	Apr. 24	PTC Book Club 1:00-3:00pm



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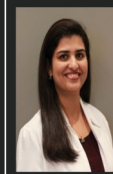
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