# Sunday, April 6, 2025

5th Sunday in

# St. John of the Cross Parish

Served by the Carmelites

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6890 Glen Erin Drive, Mississauga, ON L5N 2E1 Tel: 905.821.1331 E-mail: sjocrossmi@archtoronto.org Website: https://stjohnofthecrossmi.archtoronto.org	Monday to Friday: 9:30am - 4:30pm and 6:00 - 8.30pm Saturday: 9:00am–12:00pm and 3:15-6:15pm Sunday: 8:30 am 1:30pm
PASTORAL TEAM	MASS TIMES
Fr. Joyson George, O.Carm, Pastor       Ext.         Fr.JGeorge@archtoronto.org       Ext.         joby.joseph, O.Carm, Associate Pastor       Ext.         joby.joseph@archtoronto.org       Ext.         Deacon Mark Romeo       Image: Comparison of the comparison o	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 RECONCILIATION
	6:00- 6:45pm before Wednesday 7pm Mass or appointment. SICK AND HOMEBOUND Please contact the office.
SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION	Two Steps for E-Transfer:
1st Communion/1st Reconciliation Sjoc-firstcommunion@arctoronto.org       225         Confirmation, Sjoc-confirmation@archtoronto.org       230         Youth Group, Sjoc-youthministry@archtoronto.org       305         Vincent de Paul Society       305	<ol> <li>Send donations to: <u>admin@sjocross.org</u></li> <li>A separate email message to <u>admin@sjocross.org</u></li> <li>with your answer, your, Tel. number, &amp; purpose of this fund.</li> </ol>
BAPTISM	MARRIAGE
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.	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.
AddME	Live Stream
To receive parish notifications, weekly bulletin & Sunday Mass link, click <b>AddMe</b> to be added to the Parish Email List.	All 9am masses, Monday to Saturday, & the Stream Saturday 5pm (Sunday Mass) Holy Mass are live streamed.

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# **RCIA Adults and Children**

Thank you for picking a name and praying for the Elects and Candidates. They will be baptized on Saturday, April 19th at the Easter Vigil and become members of the Church and of our community. *We hope that you can come and witness this divine celebration in the Church.* 



Please feel free to leave a Card of Welcome or a token of appreciation in the basket located on the table in the rotunda. *Thank you!* 

# Along the Mystical Carmelite Way ....

# Aspects of Carmelite Prayer: Mary, the Mother of God

The Carmelite Order was specially instituted by God to

honor the Blessed Virgin Mary. However, Carmelites strive not only to venerate but also imitate the Virgin Mary as the pattern of the perfect pray-er. According to John Baconthorpe, the life of a Carmelite is nothing less than an imitation of Mary's life in Nazareth, particularly her life of theological prayer and uninterrupted contact with God.



(*Commentary on the Carmelite Rule*) She is the true Carmel—*garden of God*—as she gave birth to the Savior and exemplifies the full flowering of all the virtues.

Devotion to Mary, then, naturally influences all aspects of Carmelite spirituality from the liturgy to interior prayer, as the German Carmelite, Fr. John Brenninger (1890-1946) puts it,



If Carmel is the mountain of prayer, and contemplation is the aim of the Order, where better can we learn prayer and contemplation than from her of whom we read in the Gospels: "Mary treasured up all these sayings and reflected on them in her heart" (Lk. 2:19).

Beyond veneration and imitation, the Virgin Mary also takes an active part in Carmelite prayer as she is the mediatrix of grace. This may be seen from the visions of St. Teresa of Avila. For example, when Church authorities assigned her to be the prioress of the Incarnation Monastery, Teresa placed a statue of the Virgin on the seat of the prioress. The Virgin then appeared to her and said, "You were right in placing me here. I shall be present in the praises they give my Son, and I shall offer these praises to Him" (Spiritual Testimonies 21).

# LENTEN SCHEDULE



STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND HOLY MASS Fridays, 7pm

#### PALM SUNDAY

Saturday, April 12th: 5pm Sunday, April 13th: 8am, 10am, 12pm, 4pm

#### WEDNESDAY

April 16th, 7pm Holy Mass with Anointing of the Sick

### HOLY THURSDAY

April 17th, 8:00pm– 12:00am Holy Eucharist and Washing of the Feet followed by Adoration in Nessinger Hall

#### **GOOD FRIDAY**

Friday, April 18th 10:00am—Stations of the Cross 3:00om—Celebration of the Passion of our Lord 7:00pm—Stations of the Cross (Youth)

HOLY SATURDAY April 19th: 8:00pm—Easter Vigil Mass

**EASTER SUNDAY** April 20: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, 4:00pm

#### **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

April 27th: Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00pm Followed by the Blessing of Divine Mercy icons Holy Mass at 4pm

## **COFFEE SUNDAY**

The Altar Server & Eucharistic Ministries will be hosting the Coffee Sunday after all Sunday Masses this weekend. Come, enjoy the coffee and cookies and get to know another parishioner!



#### **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 <u>alcormier2@sympatico.ca</u>

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# FREE INCOME TAX PREPARATION

#### For Eligible Individuals

Free income tax preparation for low income individuals is offered by the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP), coordinated by the Canada Revenue Agency. Contact the parish office to check eligibility and to book a 30-minute appointment on Saturdays from 9 AM to 12:00 PM, in April. Tax preparations can be done inperson or by telephone interview. Let the accountant know when they call you to confirm your schedule.

# MASS INTENTIONS

#### Monday, April 7, 9am

- 1. For the Repose of Nury Andrews, requested by the Andrews Family
- 2. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessing for Joe Thomas, requested by the Cheriyanirappil Family

#### Tuesday, April 8, 9am

- 1. For the Repose of Ann & Bill Ottemiller, requested by the Rodgers Family
- 2. For the Birthday Blessings of Sandra Mercer & Maryann Edward, requested by Sandra Mercer
- For the Repose of Alfredo Ang Ko, requested by the Ang Co Family

#### Wednesday, April 9, 9am

- 1. In Thanksgiving to St. Jude, requested by the Vieira Family
- For the Repose of Eugenio P. Corpus Jr., requested by Virgilio & Shariyne Cometa
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- 1. For the Repose of Raymond D'Cunha, requested by the D'Cunha & Pereira Families

#### Thursday, April 10, 9am

- 1. For the Healing of Elisa Elizabeth Lee, requested by Steven & Regina Lee
- 2. For the Repose of George A., requeted by Herlin George **Friday, April 11, 9am**
- For the Repose of Ann & Bill Ottemiller, requested by the Rodgers Family
- Friday, April 11, 7pm
- 1. For the Repose of Melwin, Anjeline & Ligoury D'Cruz, requested by the D'Cruz Family

#### Saturday, April 12, 9am

- 1. For the Repose of Cenon, Consolacion, Edgardo & Remedios Morales, requested by the De Leon Family
- 2. For the Deceased Members of the Rasquinha & Gulati Families, requested by Joyce Gulati & Family
- 3. For the Repose of Beatriz Yang, requested by the Family
- 4. For the Repose of Francis Dias, requested by Andrea & Keith Pereira

#### Saturday, April 12, 5pm

- 1. For the Repose of Lucyna Czayowska-Zegarmistrz, requested by the Zegarmistrz Family
- 2. For the Repose of Sammy Mwangi, requested by the Ng'ang'a Family

#### Sunday, April 13, 8am

- 1. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Yorrick DeSouza Jr., requested by the DeSouza Family
- 2. For the Repose of Eugenio P. Corpus Jr., requested by Virgilio & Shariyne Cometa

#### Sunday, April 13, 10am

For the Repose of Sylvia Pinto, requested by the Rodgers Family
 For the Repose of Leanne Rodgers, requested by Mom & Dad

#### Sunday, April 13, 12pm

- 1. For the Repose of Maxi Menezes, requested by the Family
- 2. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Mirella Chan, requested by the Chan Family
- 3. For the Repose of Nyaaba, Ayamga & Dominic Abulbire, requested by Vivian Awuni

#### Sunday, April 13, 4pm

1. For the Repose of Walfrido De Leon, requested by the De Leon Family

# FISH & CHIPS KNIGHT



The Knights of Columbus will be having their annual Fish N Chips on Saturday, April 12th. Orders must be placed online no later than Thursday, April 10th. Curbside Pickup is on Saturday, April 12th, between 5:30 pm and 6:45 pm. Click to order:

https://forms.gle/ZYe4zSU1d5U46Q8FA

# 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 Archdiacese of Toronto

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 <u>muriel1066@bell.net</u> Please include your phone number.

#### SUMMER CAMP: SAVE THE DATE

Week 1: July 14-18 Week 2: July 21—25 For kids in the parish entering Grades 1 to 6 in September

	CHURCH		
Mon	Apr. 7	Adult Choir 7:00-8:30pm	
Tue	Apr. 8	Joyful Worship Choir 7:00-8:30pm	
Wed	Apr. 9	Band Choir 8:00pm	
Thurs	Apr. 10	Folk Choir 7:00-8:30pm	
Fri	Apr. 11	Stations of the Cross 7:00pm	
Sat	Apr. 12	Children's Choir 10:00am	
ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS ROOM			
Wed	Apr. 9	PTC Crafts 1:00-3:00pm	
NESSINGER HALL			
Mon	Apr. 7	RCIA 7:00-9:00pm	
Tue	Apr. 8	PTC Line Dancing 1:00-3:00pm	
Wed	Apr. 9	Horizons of Hope 10:00am-12:00pm	
Wed	Apr. 9	CIC 6:00-6:45pm	
Thurs	Apr. 10	Prayer Group 7:00-9:00pm	
Sat	Apr. 12	Men's Fraternity 6:00am-9:00am	
Sat	Apr. 12	CIC Retreat 9:00am-2:30pm	
ROTUNDA			
Thurs	Apr. 10	Baptism Preparation Class 6:30-8:30pm	
	CARMEL ROOM A		
Mon	Apr. 7	CWL Exec. Meeting 7:00pm	
Tues	Apr. 8	Rosary Apostolate 7:00-9:00pm	
Wed	Apr. 9	Knights of Columbus General Meeting 7:00pm	
Thurs	Apr. 10	SVDP 7:00-9:00pm	
BASEMENT LISIEUX ROOM			
Tues	Apr. 8	CWL 7:88-8:30pm	

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