

Sunday, February 2, 2025




# St. John of the Cross

## FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

February 2nd

*Served by the Carmelites*

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<b>PASTORAL TEAM</b>	<b>MASS TIMES</b>
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<b>SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION</b>	<b>RECONCILIATION</b>
1st Communion/1st Reconciliation <a href="mailto:Sjoc-firstcommunion@archtoronto.org">Sjoc-firstcommunion@archtoronto.org</a> 225 Confirmation, <a href="mailto:Sjoc-confirmation@archtoronto.org">Sjoc-confirmation@archtoronto.org</a> 230 Youth Group, <a href="mailto:Sjoc-youthministry@archtoronto.org">Sjoc-youthministry@archtoronto.org</a> Vincent de Paul Society 305	6:00- 6:45pm before Wednesday 7pm Mass or appointment.
<b>BAPTISM</b>	<b>SICK AND HOMBOUND</b>
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.
<b>AddME</b>	<b>Two Steps for E-Transfer:</b>
To receive parish notifications, weekly bulletin & Sunday Mass link, click <b>AddMe</b> to be added to the Parish Email List.	<b>1) Send donations to: <a href="mailto:admin@sjocross.org">admin@sjocross.org</a></b> <b>2) A separate email message to <a href="mailto:admin@sjocross.org">admin@sjocross.org</a></b> with your answer, your, Tel. number, & purpose of this fund.
<b>AddME</b>	<b>MARRIAGE</b>
<b>AddME</b>	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.
<b>AddME</b>	<b>Live Stream</b>
<b>AddME</b>	All 9am masses, Monday to Saturday, & the Saturday 5pm (Sunday Mass) Holy Mass are live streamed.  <a href="#">Click here for Live Stream</a>

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

ADORATION CHAPEL

When approaching adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, it is essential to do so with reverence and respect. Below are some tips to approach adoration with the proper attitude:



- **Prepare Your Heart:** Before entering the adoration chapel, take a moment to quiet your mind and prepare your heart for encountering the presence of Christ in the Eucharist.
• **Dress Modestly:** When attending adoration, it is important to dress modestly out of respect for the sacredness of the occasion.
• **Use Reverent Gestures:** When entering and leaving the chapel, genuflect before the tabernacle as a sign of reverence for the Blessed Sacrament.
• **Stay Focused:** During adoration, try to maintain a spirit of prayerful contemplation and avoid distractions that may take away from your encounter with Christ.

By following these practices, you can make the most of your time in adoration and grow in your faith.

Regular Adoration Chapel Hours:

Monday to Saturday 8am-9pm
Sunday 8am-7pm

The Parish Adoration Chapel is a place of silent, personal prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

Along the Mystical Carmelite Way ... Allegiance

The foundation of the Carmelite spiritual path is allegiance. The charism of Carmel does not exist outside the Church because it is a fruit of the Church whose life comes from Jesus Christ. The life of a Carmelite is one of a radical commitment to living out their baptism. That radical commitment to one's baptism for a Carmelite revolves around the call to allegiance. Jesus is the Lord. He is the one to whom the baptized are bound and obligated to give everything in this life. Via the Carmelite path, this allegiance is shown through prayer, by which the poverty of spirit is gained so all may be given over to Christ in love. A loving allegiance is what fuses one's heart with the Sacred Heart of Jesus Christ. In his allegiance to Christ, the great Carmelite St. John of the Cross could write this maxim of love: 'Live as though only God and yourself were in this world so that your heart may not be detained by anything human.'

Carmel exists in the Church to help others learn how to live in allegiance to Jesus Christ. This is meant to be lived out on the pilgrimage of the baptized made during their life. If this pilgrimage seems too big, and the Carmelite path too grand, recall this message of Br. Lawrence, and be not afraid: 'You need not cry very loud; He [the Lord] is nearer to us than we think.' - Fr. Nicholas Blackwell, O. Carm.



Join us on February 7th, 9am & 7pm for the 1st FRIDAY HOLY MASS

Followed by:

ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Come, let us worship our Gracious & Merciful God together, present in the Blessed Sacrament.

LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY

The Lift Jesus Higher Rally will be on Saturday, March 29th at the Metro Convention Centre. Early birds tickets are now available at \$39. After February 1st, tickets will go up to \$49.



For rally tickets and information:

https://www.ljhr.ca/rally/tickets/

Bussing Information:

A bus is organized for a \$15 return trip on March 29th. The bus will leave from Our Lady of Mount Carmel Secondary School at 7am and will return upon completion of the Rally. Sign up for the bus seat after any of the Sunday Masses this weekend.

For more info, please contact Karl Chaves, 647-227-2207.

1ST COMMUNION RITE OF ENROLLMENT

The Enrollment Ceremonies for the First Communicants continues after all Sunday Masses this weekend. If your child has not participated in the Rite of Enrollment last weekend, please bring him/her

Saturday, February 1— 5pm

Sunday, February 2—8am, 10am, 12pm, 4pm

You and your child may come in any one of the above Mass times to participate in the 1st Communion Enrollment Ceremony.

Youth Group Sundays

5:30-7:30pm, Carmel 1 & 2 Rooms
February 2, February 16, March 2,
March 16, March 30, April 27



Youths in the Parish, you're all invited. This one's for you!



MARRIAGE SUNDAY

There will be a blessing of all married couples during all Sunday Masses next weekend, February 8th and 9th. Congratulations!

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday, February 3, 9am**

1. In Thanksgiving for the 46th Wedding Anniversary Blessings of Willy & Remcy Menezes, requested by the Menezes Family
2. For the Repose of Carol Vanderlowen, requested by Marylou Vanderlowen
3. For the Repose of Jenny Crossley, requested by Marylou Vanderlowen

**Tuesday, February 4, 9am**

1. For the Repose of Rita Keltie, requested by Al & Pat Cormier
2. For the Repose of Matteo Di Folco, requested by the Family
3. For the Repose of Ernest & Vallerie Ambrose, requested by the Robson Family

**Wednesday, February 5, 9am**

1. For the Repose of Annie D’Costa, requested by the Rodgers Family
2. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Liam DeSouza, requested by the DeSouza Family
3. For the Intentions of Tiffany Joseph, requested by the Family

**Thursday, February 6, 9am**

1. In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received, requested by Valerian & Blanche Lewis
2. For the Repose of Rosario Vieira, requested by the Vieira Family
3. For the Repose of Rosina Navarro, requested by Maria Navarro & Family

**Friday, February 7, 9am**

1. For the Repose of Nury Andrews, requested by the Andrews Family

**Friday, February 7, 7pm**

1. For the Special Intentions of the Menezes Family, requested by the Menezes Family

**Saturday, February 8, 5pm**

1. For the Repose of Crescencio Abreru Sr., requested by Chris & Violy Abreu

**Sunday, February 9, 8am**

1. For the Repose of Katherine & Stanislav Bobnic, requested by the Bobnic/Jenson/St.John Families

**Sunday, February 9, 10am**

1. For the Repose of Fr. Cyril Pereira, requested by Valerian & Blanche Lewis

**Sunday, February 9, 12pm**

1. For the Intentions of Bosch Paullada Family, requested by the Family
2. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Andrew Katopo, requested by the Family

**Sunday, February 9, 4pm**

1. For the Repose of Raymond & Hyginus Perera, requested by the Family

**2025 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES**

If you have not picked up your offertory envelopes yet, please do so. They are on the table outside the parish office. Envelopes are numerically arranged. There is a list on the table to refer to, if needed.

*Thank you for your generosity!*

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The Knights of Columbus invites you to the



**25th Year Anniversary of the Knights of Hearts Valentine's Dinner & Dance**  
 Saturday, February 8th  
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 \$750 for a table of 10

See flyer for details.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**



**Mary Matthews Public Speaking Contest**  
 for Grades 7-8

February 15, 2025,  
 9:00am to 2pm,  
 Nessinger Hall

Contact: Thelma Alphonso at 905-824-4183  
 Email: babarat@hotmail.com

**CHURCH**

Mon	Feb. 3	Adult Choir 7:00—8:30pm
Tue	Feb. 4	Joyful Worship Choir 7:00-8:30pm
Wed	Feb. 5	Band Choir 8:00pm
Thurs	Feb. 6	Folk Choir 7:00pm-8:30pm
Sat	Feb. 8	Children's Choir 10:00am

**ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS ROOM**

Tues	Feb. 4	Parish Rep Meeting 7:00-9:00pm
Wed	Feb. 5	Prime Time Club Crafts 1:00-3:00pm

**NESSINGER HALL**

Mon	Feb. 3	RCIA 7:00-9:00pm
Tue	Feb. 4	Prime Time Club Line Dancing 1:00-3:00pm
Wed	Feb. 5	CIC 6:00-6:45pm
Thurs	Feb. 6	Alpha Program 7:00-9:00pm
Sat	Feb. 8	Men's Fraternity 6:00am-9:00am
Sat	Feb. 8	Lay Carmelites 9:00am-3:00pm

**BASEMENT LISIEUX ROOM**

Mon	Feb. 3	Bereavement Ministry 10:00am-12:00pm
Wed	Feb. 5	Sacramental Preparation 6:00-7:30pm

**BASEMENT CARMEL A**

Mon	Feb. 3	CWL Exec Meeting 7:00pm
Tues	Feb. 4	Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:00pm

*"This child is destined to bring about the fall of many in Israel, and also the rise of many others. He was sent as a sign from God, but many will oppose him. As a result, the deepest thoughts of many hearts will come to light, and a sword will pierce your own soul." - Canticle of Simeon*

*Happy Feast of the Presentation of the Lord!*

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