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# St. John of the Cross Parish

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<p><b>SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION</b></p> <p>1st Communion/1st Reconciliation <a href="mailto:Sjoc-firstcommunion@arctoronto.org">Sjoc-firstcommunion@arctoronto.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</p>	<p><b>Two Steps for E-Transfer:</b></p> <p>1) Send donations to: <a href="mailto:admin@sjocross.org">admin@sjocross.org</a>          2) A separate email message to <a href="mailto:admin@sjocross.org">admin@sjocross.org</a>          with your answer, your, Tel. number, &amp; purpose of this fund.</p>
<p><b>BAPTISM</b></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><b>MARRIAGE</b></p> <p>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.</p>
<p><b>AddME</b></p> <p>To receive parish notifications, weekly bulletin &amp; Sunday Mass link, click <b>AddMe</b> to be added to the Parish Email List.</p>	<p><b>Live Stream</b></p> <p>All 9am masses, Monday to Saturday, &amp; the Saturday 5pm (Sunday Mass) Holy Mass are live streamed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"> <a href="#">Click here for Live Stream</a></p>

Happy Feast of the Baptism of Jesus!



The Baptism of Jesus manifests the life of the Holy Trinity to the whole world and opens the door, through Jesus Christ, into a communion, a participation in the life of the Trinity, through Baptism into His Body, the Church. The waters of the Jordan are sanctified by the Son and all water is sanctified. Just as the Spirit hovered over the waters of the original creation, the Spirit

hovers over the waters where the Son is immersed by John. *Happy Feast!*

ROSARY TO THE HOLY FAMILY

The Knights of Columbus invites you to a Week of Rosary to the Holy Family

- Wednesday, January 15, at 6:30pm
Thursday, January 16, at 6:30pm
Friday, January 17, at 6:30pm
Saturday, January 18, at 6:00pm
Sunday, January 19, at 5:00pm
Monday, January 20, at 6:30pm
Tuesday, January 21, at 6:30pm



These will be held in the church.

Along the Mystical Carmelite Way ...

"Lectio divina is an authentic source of Christian spirituality practised by the Carmelites every day, so that we may develop a deep and genuine love for it, and so that we may grow in the surpassing knowledge of Christ. In this way we shall put into practice the Apostle Paul's commandment, which is mentioned in our Rule: "The sword of the Spirit, too, which is the word of God, is to dwell abundantly in your mouth and in your hearts; and whatever things you have to do, let them be done in the word of the Lord."



As Carmelites we live our lives in allegiance to Jesus Christ and strive to serve him faithfully with a pure heart and a clear conscience. We seek the face of the living God in a contemplative attitude of prayer, fraternity, and service in the midst of the people.

We live these values under the protection, inspiration and guidance of Mary, the mother of Jesus, and Elijah, the prophet of Carmel.

Carmelite Motto:

Zelo zelatus sum pro Domino Deo exercituum

"With zeal have I been zealous for the Lord God of hosts"

(1 Kings 19:10;14)

1ST COMMUNION REGISTRATION

First Communion Registration meetings will be held at St John of the Cross Church in January 2025 for parents of children who received their First Reconciliation in November 2024. Parents need to attend only one of the dates below:

Sunday, Jan. 19, 2025 @ 7pm Or
Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2025 @ 7 pm

Students need not attend.

Invitations and Registration letters have been delivered to the schools. Parents, you will also have received an email copy. Check your inbox. Please bring a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate to the meeting, if you have not yet submitted it.

MARRIAGE SUNDAY

Bishop Ivan Camilleri will preside at a special Mass on Sunday, February 9th, 2:30pm, at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto) to honor married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, & 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2025. All are welcome to attend.

Couples celebrating milestone anniversaries are encouraged to register for seating. For more information, please email formation@archtoronto.org or call 416.934.3400 x 523.

There will be a signup next weekend for those who can commit to sit with the Blessed Sacrament in the Adoration Chapel for an hour, any day of the week, as a Watcher. Please check your schedule and sign up.



Vocation Seeds

As John the Baptist introduced the people of his time to Jesus, a voice from heaven said, "You are my Son, the Beloved, with you I am well pleased." Perhaps God is calling you to do the same as a priest, deacon, or religious. Contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, 416.968.0997.

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

Apollo Banquet & Convention Centre

\$85 per person or

\$750 for a table of 10

See flyer for details.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday, January 13, 9am

1. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Rochelle Furtado, requested by the Furtado Family
2. For the Intentions of Teresa Paullada, requested by the Family
3. For the Repose of Leanne Rodgers, requested by Mom & Dad
4. For the Repose of Roque Grimaldo Manrique, requested by the Manrique Family
5. For the Repose of Cenon, Consolacion, Remedios & Edgardo Morales, requested by the De Leon Family

### Tuesday, January 14, 9am

1. For the Intentions of Teresa Paullada, requested by the Family
2. For the Repose of Philomena D'Mello, requested by Treffy, Sabrina, Fr. Bosco & Fernandes Family

### Wednesday, January 15, 9am

1. For the Repose of Clarence Rodgers, requested by the Rodgers Family
2. For the Repose of Esperance Fernandes, requested by Robert & Hedy
3. For the Intentions of Teresa Paullado, requested by the Family
4. For the Repose of Israel De Campos Navarro, requested by Maria Navarro & Family

### Wednesday, January 15, 7pm

1. For the 25th Wedding Anniversary Blessings of Dayle & Joanne Ross, requested by the D'Silva Family

### Thursday, January 16, 9am

1. For the Repose of Buenaventura & Carmen Navarro, requested by the Vergara Family
2. For the Intentions of Teresa Paullada, requested by the Family
3. For the Wedding Anniversary Blessings of Melvin & Justine Lapesigue, requested by Jessie Yap & Family

### Friday, January 17, 9am

1. For the Special Intentions of Nadine & Adrian, requested by the Family
2. For the Repose of Thome Fernandes, requested by the Fernandes/De Souza Families
3. For the Intentions of Teresa Paullada, requested by the Family

### Saturday, January 18, 5pm

1. For the Repose of Gloria D'Silva, requested by the D'Silva Family
2. For the Repose of Lynette Mendonca, requested by the Mendonca Family

### Sunday, January 19, 8am

1. For the Repose of Stanislav Bobnic, requested by the Jensen/Bobnic/St. John Families

### Sunday, January 19, 10am

1. For the Repose of Joe & Rosy Castelino, requested by Darryl & Sheila Goveas
2. For the Repose of Rudolf Roche, requested by Nelly Roche & Family

### Sunday, January 19, 12pm

1. For the Intentions of Bosch Paullada Family, requested by the Family
2. For the Repose of Maria Apolonia Gomes and Charlaine Pereira, requested by Neela & Sherard
3. For the Repose of Fr. Tony Martis, requested by Iris Fernandez

“For whenever unbaptized persons die confessing Christ, this confession is of the same efficacy for the remission of sins as if they were washed in the sacred font of baptism.” - St. Augustine

### Jubilee Year 2025

The Holy Father has announced that 2025 will be a Jubilee Year, something which happens every 25 years.

The theme for Jubilee 2025 is “Pilgrims of Hope,” and it will be a year of hope for a world suffering the impacts of war, the ongoing effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, and the climate crisis. *We pray to the Lord.*



### CHURCH

Mon	Jan. 13	Adult Choir 7:00—8:30pm
Tue	Jan. 14	Joyful Worship Choir 7:00-8:30pm
Wed	Jan. 15	Knights of Columbus Holy Rosary 6:30pm
Wed	Jan. 15	Band Choir 8:00pm
Thurs	Jan. 16	Knights of Columbus Holy Rosary 6:30pm
Thurs	Jan. 9	Folk Choir 7:00pm-8:30pm
Fri	Jan. 17	Knights of Columbus Holy Rosary 6:30pm
Sat	Jan. 18	Children’s Choir 10:00am
Sat	Jan. 18	Knights of Columbus Holy Rosary 6:30pm

### ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS ROOM

Wed	Jan. 15	Prime Time Club Crafts 1:00-3:00pm
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### NESSINGER HALL

Sun	Jan. 12	CWL New Officers Celebration 1:00-3:00pm
Mon	Jan. 13	RCIA 7:00-9:00pm
Tue	Jan. 14	Prime Time Club Line Dancing 1:00-3:00pm
Wed	Jan. 15	CIC 6:00-6:45pm
Thurs	Jan. 16	Alpha Program 7:00-9:00pm
Sat	Jan. 18	Men’s Fraternity 6:00am-9:00am
Sat	Jan. 18	Palliative Support Training 9:00am—12:00pm

### BASEMENT CARMEL A ROOM

Mon	Jan. 13	Palliative Care Meeting 7:00-8:00pm
Tue	Jan. 14	Baptism Prep Course 7:00-8:30pm
Thurs	Jan. 16	Rosary Apostolate 7:00-9:00pm

### BASEMENT LISIEUX ROOM

Mon	Jan. 13	Bereavement Ministry 10:00am-12:00pm
Wed	Jan. 15	Sacramental Preparation NCS 6:30-7:30pm

The St. Vincent de Paul Society is hosting the Coffee Sunday after all Sunday Masses this weekend, January 11th-12th.

Come, enjoy the coffee and cookies and get to know another parishioner. See you!



*Our body has this defect that, the more it is provided care and comforts, the more needs and desires it finds.*  
St. Teresa of Avila

## PARISH FAMILY BOWLING NIGHT

The Parish Women’s Group is inviting all parishioners and friends for an evening of bowling, pizza, and fun on the last Friday of this month, January 31st, 7:00pm-8:30pm at Planet Bowl (5555 Eglinton Avenue West, Etobicoke). Registration table will be outside the church after all Masses this weekend. Registration fee of \$38 per person for individual registration or \$33 per person for a group of 3 or more covers 90 minutes of bowling and food. 100% of the proceeds will go towards the parish special project for the parish community.



Come! Bring your families and friends and let’s bowl for fun and for our parish! It will be great.

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