

Sunday, May 11, 2025

St John of the Cross

Served by the Carmelites

**MY SHEEP HEAR MY VOICE,
AND I KNOW THEM,
AND THEY FOLLOW ME.**

— John 10:27



Happy Mother's Day

Her Children rise up and call her blessed.
Proverbs 31:28

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Confirmation, Sjoc-confirmation@archtoronto.org	230		
Youth Group, Sjoc-youthministry@archtoronto.org			
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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 AddMe to be added to the Parish Email List.		All 9am masses, Monday to Saturday, & the Saturday 5pm (Sunday Mass) Holy Mass are live streamed.	



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BULLETIN DEADLINE—MONDAY AT NOON, TWO WEEKS BEFORE

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To all Mothers and Mother figures:



Thank you for all that you do, Mom! You are a very special blessing to us all. May the Lord hold you and keep you safe.

We pray for all moms who have passed. May they stand before the glory of God for all eternity.

Along the Mystical Carmelite Way

Aspects of Carmelite Prayer:

Awareness of the Presence of God

Following the example of St. Elijah, the goal of Carmelite prayer is to live always with God. *The Lord of Hosts lives*, said Elijah, *before whose face I stand* (I Kings 18:5). The Catalan Carmelite, Fr. Bartolomé Xiberta (1897-1967) explains:

The highest aspiration of Carmel during this earthly life is to anticipate insofar as this is possible the presence of God, which in heaven will be given on a perfect level. Evidently, all our efforts should follow as a result of the divine presence.

To cultivate this awareness, one must exercise faith in Him who is present everywhere and who sees and hears everything. Plugging into this awareness not only activates divine intimacy but also nips temptation in the bud. St. Teresa reminds her sisters that "The Lord walks among the pots and pans" (Life 5.8). Such awareness turns the most mundane actions into gold.

The French Carmelite, Br. Lawrence of the Resurrection, was a humble lay-brother assigned to kitchen work. He developed such a facility in communing with God during work that it didn't matter to him if he had to scrub dishes or was in the chapel on his knees. He found God everywhere. He composed a treatise on this subject which is now a classic, *The Practice of the Presence of God*. He says,

*We do not have to be in church to be with God.
We can make of our hearts an oratory where we
can withdraw from time to time to converse with him,
gently, humbly, and lovingly. Everyone is capable of
these familiar conversations with God,
some more, some less...*



BIBLE STUDY: PRAY LIKE MARY



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- Learn how to tell the difference between God's voice and your own thoughts in prayer.
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Most importantly: You will know how to *respond* to God when you do hear him, just like the Blessed Mother!

6 Sessions every Tuesday, 7:00-8:15pm, starting May 27th.

Study Book: \$32 Cash, debit/credit is accepted.

Sign up after all Sunday Masses this weekend.

All is welcome!

From Vita Centre:

This May, as we honour our mothers, Vita Centre invites you to support young pregnant women and vulnerable families through our Mothers Helping Mothers campaign. Collection boxes will be available after all Masses in the rotunda on May 10th and 11th. Thank you for helping make a difference.

We thank the Knights of Columbus for hosting the Coffee Sunday this weekend. Come, enjoy, and mingle with other parishioners!

A DAY WITH MARY

During this Jubilee Holy Year, spend a day with our Blessed Mother, Our Lady of Hope, on the Feast of the Visitation, and deepen your devotion to her through a keynote address by Dr. Josephine Lombardi, a number of inspiring witnessings and Holy Mass presided over by His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo. This family-friendly event will have music, food, fellowship, children's catechesis and activities – something for everyone!

Round Trip Transportation:

\$25 per person on Sat., May 31

Optional lunch is available for \$10

Bus departs parish parking lot: 8:15am

Bus departs Villanova College, King City: 4:15pm

Open to all parishioners, friends, & families!

Sign up after any of the Sunday Masses or at the Parish Office



BULLETIN DEADLINE—MONDAY AT NOON, TWO WEEKS BEFORE

Please keep in your prayers all our children receiving the Sacraments of 1st Communion and Confirmation. May they grow strong in faith and love of God and neighbor. May they, and their families and sponsors, be brought closer to God.



SUMMER POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Our parish has been approved for two internship positions through the Canada Summer Jobs Program. The internship will be from June 30th to August 22nd, 2025.

Job descriptions are posted in the parish website. If interested, please email your resume no later than noon on Tuesday, May 20th, 2025 to the Parish Office, sjocrossmi@archtoronto.org. Thank you for your interest. Only those chosen for interview will be contacted.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 12, 9am

1. Thanksgiving Anniversary Blessings for Shannon & Marla DeSouza, requested by the DeSouza Family
2. For the Repose of Philomena Furtado, requested by the Furtado Family
3. For the Repose of Corazon Aquino, requested by the Aquino Family

Tuesday, May 13, 9am

1. For the Repose of Leanne Rodgers, requested by Mom & Dad

Wednesday, May 14, 7pm

1. For the Repose of Pascal D'Sa, requested by the Miranda Family

Thursday, May 15, 9am

1. For the Repose of Clarence Rodgers, requested by the Rodgers Family
2. For the Repose of Joan Pereira, requested by the Rodgers Family
3. For the Birthday Blessings of Finnian Romeo, requested by the Romeo Family
4. For the Repose of Fr. Manuel D'Souza, requested by the Family
5. For the Healing of Elisa Lee, requested by the Lee Family
6. For Special Blessings on Adrian, requested by the Family

Friday, May 16, 9am

1. For the Repose of Brian D'Costa, requested by the Rodgers Family
2. For the Repose of Cenon, Consolacion, Edgardo & Remedios Morales, requested by the De Leon Family
3. For the Repose of Randy San Andres, requested by Ronald

Saturday, May 17, 9am

1. For the Repose of Myrtle D'Costa, requested by the Rodgers Family
2. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Tiffany Joseph, requested by Erva Joseph
3. For the Repose of William Azavedo, requested by Walter Azavedo
4. In Thanksgiving for Graces & Blessings Received, requested by the Robson Family
5. For the Intentions of Navicia & Jaden, requested by the Robson Family

Saturday, May 17, 5pm

1. For the Repose of Juliette Da Costa, requested by all her Children
2. For the Repose of Onofre Pereira, requested by the Pereira Family
3. For the Repose of Nick Demello, requested by the Demello Family
4. For the Repose of Joseph Augustine, requested by the Cherian Family

Sunday, May 18, 12pm

1. For the Repose of Enrique, Flora and Enrique Jr. Pilapil, requested by Elisa, Manrique & Family

FAITH & FIT FOR WOMEN

The Parish Women's Group invites all women parishioners to a 4-Session Faith & Fit for Women in the Hall. Faith & Fit is an alternating low and medium intensity workout that improves endurance, agility, and fitness combining martial arts, static, and core moves. Come & have a fun workout with ladies in the parish!



4 Thursday sessions starting May 15th, 7:00pm-8:00pm. \$15 *Bring your exercise mat.*

Register after any of the Sunday Masses this weekend.

100% of the proceeds go towards the Parish Women's Group's projects for the parish.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

On this Good Shepherd Sunday, we celebrate the World Day of Vocations. Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If God is calling you, to be priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416.968.0097 or email vocations@archtoronto.org.

SUMMER CROSS CAMP REGISTRATION

For all children in the parish entering Grades 1 to 6 in September. Camp weeks are:

Week 1: July 14-18 Week 2: July 21-25

The camp runs daily during these weeks, from 9:00am-3:30pm. Camp registration is



\$175 per child per week. Discounts are available for siblings who register together and for those who attend both weeks. Registration forms may be picked up from the parish office or downloaded from the website.

Faith is a matter of will, not of positive feelings or positive thoughts.

CHURCH

Mon	May 12	Adult Choir 7:00-8:30pm
Wed	May 14	Band Choir 8:00-9:30pm
Thurs	May 15	Folk Choir 7:00-8:30pm
Sat	May 17	Children's Choir 10:00am

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS ROOM

Wed	May 14	Prime Time Club Crafts 1:00-3:00pm
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NESSINGER HALL

Mon	May 12	RCIA 7:00-9:00pm
Tues	May 13	Line Dancing 1:00-3:00pm
Wed	May 14	Knights of Columbus General Mtg. 7:00pm
Thurs	May 15	Parish Women's Group Faith & Fit 7:00pm

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Thurs	May 15	Prayer Group 7:00-9:00pm
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Tues	May 13	Bereavement Session 5:30-8:00pm
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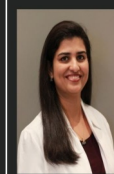
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