

Sunday, May 18, 2025

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



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Live Stream

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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.

Vocation Seeds

The new commandment of love is required of everyone who follows the risen Lord. How do you fulfill the commandment? 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.



Our blessed Mother Mary always wants to walk with us, be close to us, she always wants to help us with her intercession and her love.

Along the Mystical Carmelite Way ...

Aspects of Carmelite Prayer:

Aspiration & Aspirative Prayer



An effective means of practicing the presence of God is through the use of aspirations and aspirative prayer. The word aspiration comes from the Latin verb *aspirare* which means 'breathing towards.' The use of aspirations helps one to remain connected with God outside of formal times of prayer, such as during work or rest. While these terms appear related (aspire=breath), they are distinct.

Aspirations are brief prayers that are as gentle as breath. Aspirative prayer, on the other hand, is more like a fiery dart or arrow of love that is shot toward God. It involves a greater upward thrust and movement of the will. The noted authority on this form of prayer is the French Carmelite, Venerable John of St. Samson (1571-1636). He describes aspirative prayer in these terms:

"It is a loving and inflamed thrust of the whole heart and the entire spirit by which the soul goes beyond itself and transcends every created being, becoming closely united to God in the brilliance of the manifestation of love."



The flame of love, suggests Ven. John grows through the practice of aspirations: It is so excellent that by means of it, you will shortly reach the summit of perfection and you will be aflame with the love of Love itself.

Women's Annual Retreat

SAVE DATE

FIRE WITHIN

Living Pentecost with Mary

Saturday, June 7th (Pentecost Weekend)

9:00am—3:00pm, Nessinger Hall

Retreat Master: Fr. Michael Corpus

Come experience a transformative Catholic women's retreat rooted in the heart of Pentecost and the example of Mary. We'll enter the sacred silence of Mary's hidden life - a space of stillness, prayer, and steady faith.



We'll reflect on how Mary's presence shaped the early Church and how our own quiet faith can transform our homes and communities. Inspired by her contemplative strength, we'll learn to treasure the hidden moments and listen more deeply to the whisper of the Holy Spirit. Whether you're feeling unseen or simply longing for deeper spiritual grounding, join us and rediscover the quiet fire God is igniting in you—just like He did in Mary."

Lunch is provided. No registration fee.

Love offering is appreciated.

Register for headcount next weekend!

Faith Q & A:

When is an act morally good?

An act is morally good when it assumes simultaneously the goodness of the object, of the end, and of the circumstances. A chosen object can by itself vitiate an act in its entirety, even if the intention is good. It is not licit to do evil so that good may result from it. An evil end corrupts the action, even if the object is good in itself. On the other hand, a good end does not make an act good if the object of that act is evil, since the end does not justify the means. Circumstances can increase or diminish the responsibility of the one who is acting but they cannot change the moral quality of the acts themselves. They never make good an act which is in itself evil. (CCC 1755-1756, 1759-1760)



FAITH & FITNESS PROGRAM FOR WOMEN



4-Thursday workout (May 15, 22, 29, & June 5), 7-8pm in the hall. Drop off \$5 per person, per session. Helps improve endurance, agility, & fitness. *Initiated by the Parish Women's Group.*

The Parish Office is closed on Monday, May 19th, for Victoria Day. There will be a 9am Holy Mass on this day.

Have a safe & healthy long weekend!



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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 19, 9am

1. For the Repose of Pearl Gonsalves, requested by Michelle & Jules Coutinho
2. In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received, requested by Joyce Gulati & Family

Tuesday, May 20, 9am

1. For the Repose of Vila Nova Fernandes, requested by his Family
2. For the Repose of Victor Gervais, requested by the Gervais Family
3. For the Conversion of Cleve, requested by the Family
4. In Thanksgiving & 1st Birthday Blessings for David Eli Joseph, requested by the Serrao Family
5. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Melissa Serrao Joseph, requested by the Serrao Family

Wednesday, May 21 9am

1. For the Repose of Rosina De Campos Navarro, requested by Maria Navarro & Family
2. In Thanksgiving & Anniversary Blessings for Jarvis & Natalia, requested by Jarvis & Family

Thursday, May 22, 9am

1. For the Birthday Blessings of Kerri Romeo, requested by the Romeo Family
2. For the Repose of Hamilton Antao, requested by the Antao Family
3. For the Healing of Elisa Lee, requested by the Lee Family

Friday, May 23, 9am

1. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Maria Azavedo, requested by Meldon & Whitney Azavedo
2. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Jenny Salvacion, requested by the Salvacion Family
3. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Marie Jacquin, requested by the Jacquin Family
4. For the Repose of Phillip & Barbara Christopher, requested by the Family

Saturday, May 24, 9am

1. For the Repose of Louis Moraes, requested by the Family

Saturday, May 24, 5pm

1. For the Repose of Terance D'Monte, requested by the Collins Family
2. For the Repose of Maurice Braganza, requested by the Demello Family
3. For the Repose of Clara & Salar Cherian, requested by the Cherian Family
4. For the Repose of Ethan Crasto, requested by the Ross Family
5. For the Repose of Allwyn & Yvonne, requested by the Ross Family
6. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for David Collins, requested by the Collins Family

Sunday, May 25, 8am

1. For the Repose of Phero Kien Hoang, requested by Le Hoang
2. For the Repose of Yousif Sadik & Katrina Hanna, requested by Rijina Loka
3. In Thanksgiving for Blessings Received, requested by Hezekiah Shawn D'Cunha

Sunday, May 25, 10am

1. For the Repose of Roul Perez, requested by the Perez Family

PALLIATIVE SUPPORT MINISTRY

Ontario Government Petition

The Palliative Support Ministry has a petition asking the Ontario Government to increase funding for palliative home care programs and services that had it approved by the Archdiocese of Toronto. We would like to present to the Government of Ontario in September.

Please see us at the back of the church after mass.



The Palliative Support Ministry has Dr. Park, who is a Palliative Care Doctor at McMaster Medical Center. He will speak about the importance of palliative care for the sick and caregivers. He is booked for Friday, June 13, at 7:00 pm in Nessinger Hall. Please sign up and mark your calendar.

Estate Planning presentation from a Catholic perspective on Wednesday, June 4th at 7:30 p.m. at St. John of the Cross Parish

Attend to find out:

- How to avoid problems in your Will, with the Powers of Attorney & through proper Estate Trustee selection
- How to create your personal Catholic legacy

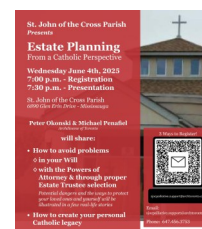
3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

1. scan this QR code:

2. send an email to:

Sjocpalliative.support@archtoronto.org and write "estate planning" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message **or**

3. call 647 456-3753



CHURCH		
Tues	May 20	Joyful Worship 7:00-8:30pm
Wed	May 21	Band Choir 8:00-9:30pm
Thurs	May 22	Folk Choir 7:00-8:30pm
Sat	May 24	Children's Choir 10:00am
ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS ROOM		
Tues	May 20	Parish Rep Meeting 7:00-9:00pm
Wed	May 21	Prime Time Club Crafts 1:00-3:00pm
NESSINGER HALL		
Tues	May 20	Line Dancing 1:00-3:00pm
Thurs	May 22	Parish Women's Group Faith & Fitness 7:00pm
CARMEL ROOM A		
Tues	May 20	CWL 7:00-8:30pm
Thurs	May 22	Prayer Group 7:00-9:00pm
BASEMENT LISIEUX ROOM		
Tues	May 20	Bereavement Session 5:30-8:00pm

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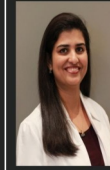
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