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1st Communion/1st Reconciliation Sjoc-firstcommunion@archtoronto.org 225 Confirmation, Sjoc-confirmation@archtoronto.org 230 Youth Group, Ryan Belluz, RBelluz@archtoronto.org 222	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.
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.  Click here for Live Stream

BULLETIN DEADLINE—MONDAY AT NOON, TWO WEEKS BEFORE

Help the elderly & disabled priests!

There will be a second collection next weekend for The Shepherds' Trust. The mission of The Shepherds' Trust is to help ensure that elderly and disabled priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry. Your generous gift will help our priests to maintain a modest but active and independent life-style in their retirement years. For priests who are ill or otherwise infirm, the Trust ensures they have access to nursing home facilities and medical care. *Thank you for your support of this important work.*

Religious and Fiction Books Sale next weekend by the Parish Women's Group. 100% of sales go towards the Parish Special Projects. Come & see!

The Parish Bible Study: Foundations of Faith, will be hosting the Coffee Sunday next weekend, November 15-16 after all Sunday Masses. **Come & Enjoy!**



Along the Mystical Carmelite Way

Holiness, Humility, and Hope

Poverty, inequality, war, violence, AI, human trafficking, nuclear proliferation, crime, environmental degradation, where does it all end? Sometimes, like Private Fraser in 'Dad's Army', I want to exclaim 'We're all doomed!' That, however, is not the Carmelite way. I would much rather be inspired by the great 14th Century English mystic, Julian of Norwich, to hope that 'All shall be well.' Or, for that matter, try like Teresa of Avila to let 'nothing disturb me.' Our Carmelite charism of prayer, community and service to others is a contemplative one that motivates us to listen, and respond, to a wounded world. Living this charism takes us on a journey, or pilgrimage, of hope. The saints and mystics of Carmel teach us how to live this charism well.

Hope helps sustain our faith, and our compassion towards all others. I will finish with a quote from Brother Lawrence of the Resurrection; *'Everything is possible for one who believes, still more for one who hopes, even more for one who loves, and most of all who practices and perseveres in these three virtues.'*



Excerpts from Brendan O'Dea TOC
<https://carmelite.org/weekly-reflections/holiness-humility-and-hope-2/>

New Liturgical Year Begins on the 1st Sunday of Advent, November 30, 2025

In Advent we experience expectation, anticipation, preparation, and longing. When we lose the sense of awe we fail to transcend the person, thing, or event before us. Life becomes an endless succession of days, a countless series of activities to complete, never-ending tasks to be performed. We get caught up in the hectic pace and busyness of life and the joy of doing what we are doing is slowly drained from us. In our liturgical seasons we fall prey to the frenzied tempo of commercialism. We lose the wonder of childhood and we look toward Christmas as one more thing to get over: shopping to finish, gifts to wrap, cards to write, meals to prepare, cookies to bake, rooms to decorate, etc.



It is essential that we slow down and simplify. To slow down we need to take some time to reflect on what we do and why we do it. Is each one of our Christmas activities something that is done in a thoughtful and loving way? There is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven. We must look with the eyes of faith, we must enter into God's world and contemplate it from within, because it is only from that view that we will be able to recognize the messages and the signs that God send us.

Christmas to be fully embraced needs Advent – a time of preparation – not an early Christmas that begins before or immediately after Thanksgiving!

Excerpt from <https://carmelitesistersocd.com/2015/adventseason/>



2025—2026 Sunday Missal is now available in the Parish Office for \$5.

Get your copy before its gone!

The St. Vincent de Paul Society will be providing Christmas hampers to those in need within our local community. Your support of gift cards will help support many families during this holiday season. Place the gift card + receipt in the box that's in the parish office. Thank you!



CHRISTMAS JOY MARKET



The CWL will be holding their 3rd Christmas Joy Market on

Saturday, November 22nd &
Sunday, November 23rd

in the rotunda and in Nessinger Hall.

Come and see the goods, gifts, foods, and drinks!

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 10, 9am

1. For the Repose of John D'Souza, requested by the D'Souza Family
2. For the Repose of Joseph & Elaine Fletcher & Family, requested by Ena Barrett

Tuesday, November 11, 9am

1. For the Repose of Thereza Genschow, requested by Ana Genschow
2. For the Repose of Jose Genschow, requested by Ana Genschow

Wednesday, November 12, 9am

1. For the Birthday Blessings of Jefford Romeo, requested by the Romeo Family
2. For the Special Intentions of Maribel, requested by Maribel Azebedo Virgen
3. For the Repose of Hubert De Cunha, requested by Blanche & Valerian Lewis
4. For the Repose of Pio Rebello, requested by Joshua & Nelson Rebello
5. For Blessings on Nadine, Adrian & Max, requested by the Family

Wednesday, November 12, 7pm

1. For the Repose of Ligor Deigo D'Souza, requested by Ingrid Pereira
2. For the Repose of Judy Marion, requested by the Lewis Family
3. For the Repose of Catherine & Joseph Fernando, requested by the Fernando Family

Thursday, November 13, 9am

1. For the Repose of Leanne Rodgers, requested by Mom & Dad
2. For the Repose of Olivia De Souza, requested by the Family
3. For the Repose of Adelmo Gloria, requested by Angelita & Family
4. For the Repose of Rino Zamolo, requested by Anne Viljakainen

Friday, November 14, 9am

1. For the Repose of Ann Castellino Bernard, requested by the Rodgers Family
2. For the Repose of Lourdes Hernandez De Freytes, requested by Andres Freytes
3. For the Repose of Isabella De Figlia, requested by the Family
4. For the Repose of Remedios Ferrer Morales, requested by the De Leon Family

Saturday, November 15, 9am

1. For the Repose of Clarence Rodgers, requested by the Rodgers Family
2. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Aniyah, Crew Everett & Rielle Hope Varias, requested by the Alejandro Family

Saturday, November 15, 5pm

1. For the Repose of Oswald Nunes, requested by Miriam & Natasha

Sunday, November 16, 8am

1. In Thanksgiving for Neela & Sherard, requested by Heather Desouza
2. For the Repose of Paola Varriano, requested by Brigitte D'Costa

Sunday, November 16, 10am

1. For the Repose of Geraldine DeCruze, requested by her Family
2. For the Repose of Sharon O'Connell, requested by Rick

Sunday, November 16, 12pm

1. For the Repose of Jose A. Pajaro Jr., requested by the Family
2. For the Repose of Franklyn Dsouza, requested by the Dsouza Family
3. For the Repose of Alberto Ledesma, requested by the Ginebra Garcia Family
4. For the Repose of Sheila Johnston-Nearing, requested by the Nearing-Kotacka Family
5. For the Repose of Phyllis Johnson-Baker, requested by the Nearing-Kotacka Family

Sunday, November 16, 4pm

1. For the Special Intentions of John Pereira, requested by the Family

We pray for all those affected by natural disasters, wars, and violence.

CHURCH CLEAN-UP DAY

Church Clean up Day



**Saturday, Nov. 29th,
10:30am—2:00pm**

The Parish Women's Group invites all ladies and their families to help clean our place of worship that we are so blessed to have. Bring your gloves, brush, buckets,

cloth rags, and vacuum cleaners, if you have them. We also need high reaching dusters for hard to reach areas. Please sign up after any Sunday Mass next weekend.

Let's clean up our beautiful church!

Mark your calendar for the 4th Annual Santa Pictures on Saturday, December 6th and Sunday, December 7th. Signups for photo time slots will be open soon. Coordinated by the Parish Women's Group. **Ho! Ho! Ho!**



2026 CALENDAR ON SALE

The CWL will be selling 2026 Calendars for \$5 after every Mass starting next weekend, November 15th & 16th.



CHURCH

Thurs	Nov 13	Folk Choir 7:00pm
Sat	Nov 14	Confirmation Session 9:00am
Sat	Nov 14	Alpha Retreat 2:00pm

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS ROOM

Wed	Nov 12	Prime Time Club Crafts 1:00-3:00pm
Fri	Nov 14	GPS – Kids Bible Study 6:00-8:00pm

NESSINGER HALL

Mon	Nov 10	RCIA 7:00pm
Tue	Nov 11	Line Dancing 1:00-3:00pm
Tue	Nov 11	Parish Bible Study 7:00-9:00pm
Wed	Nov 12	CIC Sessions 6:00-6:45pm
Wed	Nov 12	K of C General Meeting 7:00-9:00pm
Thurs	Nov 13	EDGE 6:45-8:45pm
Fri	Nov 14	Alpha Retreat 7:00pm
Sat	Nov 15	Men's Fraternity 6:00pm-9:00am
Sat	Nov 15	Alpha Retreat 9:00am-4:00pm
Sun	Nov 16	Alpha 7:00-9:00pm

BASEMENT CARMEL A ROOM

Tue	Nov 11	CWL Baskets Meeting 6:30-8:00pm
Wed	Nov 12	Sacramental Prep 6:30-7:30pm
Thurs	Nov 13	SVDP Conference Meeting 7:00-9:00pm
Fri	Nov 14	Prayer Group 7:00-9:00pm
Sun	Nov 16	LIFE TEEN 5:15-7:15pm

BASEMENT LISIEUX ROOM

Mon	Nov 10	CWL Palliative Support Ministry 7:00pm
Thurs	Nov 13	Band Choir 8:00pm

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