

Sunday, March 29, 2026



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PASTORAL TEAM	MASS TIMES
Fr. Joyson George, O.Carm, Pastor Ext. 228 Fr.JGeorge@archtoronto.org Fr. Joby Joseph, O.Carm, Associate Pastor Ext. 224 joby.joseph@archtoronto.org Deacon Mark Romeo 229 mromeo@archtoronto.org Deacon Ferdinand D'Souza fdsouza@archtoronto.org Liane Harris, Pastoral Associate LHarris@archtoronto.org 226 Violanta Nicholson, Secretary VNicholson@archtoronto.org 222 Diane Mejia, Reception 221	Mondays to Saturdays: 9:00am Additional Masses on Wednesdays & 1st Fridays: 7:00pm Sundays: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, and 4:00pm Sunday Vigil Mass at 5:00pm on Saturday RECONCILIATION 6:00- 6:45pm before Wednesday 7pm Mass or appointment. SICK AND HOMEBOUND Please contact the office.
SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION	Two Steps for E-Transfer:
1st Communion/Reconciliation Sjoc-firstcommunion@archtoronto.org 225 Confirmation, Sjoc-confirmation@archtoronto.org 230 Youth Group, Sjoc-youthministry@archtoronto.org 223 St.Vincent de Paul Society 305	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

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***A Blessed Palm Sunday to you
and to your loved ones!***

LENTEN SCHEDULE



PALM SUNDAY

Saturday, March 28: 5pm
Sunday, March 29th: 8am, 10am, 12pm, 4pm

WEDNESDAY

April 1st, 7pm
Holy Mass followed by Anointing of the Sick

HOLY THURSDAY

April 2nd, 8:00pm– 12:00am Holy Eucharist
and Washing of the Feet followed by
Adoration in Nessinger Hall

GOOD FRIDAY

Friday, April 3rd
10:00am—Stations of the Cross
3:00pm—Celebration of the Passion of our Lord
7:00pm—Stations of the Cross (Youth)

HOLY SATURDAY

April 4th: 8:00pm—Easter Vigil Mass

EASTER SUNDAY

April 5th: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm, 4:00pm

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 12th: Divine Mercy Chaplet at 2:45pm
Followed by the Blessing of Divine Mercy icons
Coordinated by the Parish Prayer Group

Holy Mass at 4pm

There will be no 9am morning Mass on:

April 2nd, Holy Thursday
April 3rd, Good Friday
April 4th, Holy Saturday

RCIA ELECTS & CANDIDATES

Thank you for picking a name and praying for the Elects and Candidates. They will be baptized on Saturday, April 4th at the Easter Vigil and become members of the Church and of our community. *We hope that you can come and witness this divine celebration in the Church.*



Please feel free to leave a Card of Welcome or a token of appreciation in the basket located on the table in the rotunda. *Thank you!*



Cardinal Leo's Message for Lent

<https://www.archtoronto.org/en/outreach/news/archdiocesan/message-for-lent-2026-from-his-eminence-frank-cardinal-leo/>

What is the TRIDUUM?



The Triduum is the highest point of the entire liturgical year. It is a three-part liturgy that extends over three days and celebrates and makes present the paschal mystery of Christ: His passion, death, and resurrection. It begins with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, reaches its high point in the Easter Vigil, and closes with Evening Prayer on Easter Sunday. The Mass of the Lord's Supper occurs on the evening of Holy Thursday, the first day of the Triduum. During the Mass, we celebrate three great events in our Church - the memorial of Passover, the institution of the Holy Eucharist, and the institution of the priesthood. On Good Friday liturgy, the Church reflects on the passion of her Lord and Spouse, adores the cross, and prays for the salvation of the whole world. The Easter Vigil, in the holy night, when the Lord rose again, is considered the "mother of all holy Vigils," in which the church awaits the Resurrection of Christ. Fire is blessed and the paschal candle is lighted to illumine the night so that all may hear the Easter proclamation and listen to the word of God proclaimed in the Scriptures. For this reason the Solemn Beginning of the Vigil (Lucernarium) takes place before the Liturgy of the Word.

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Holy Week Message from the Pastor

“When the Sacred Scriptures are read in the Church, God himself speaks to his people, and Christ, present in His word, proclaims the Gospel”.
(General Instruction of the Roman Missal #29)

Holy Week begins. As you begin this Holy Week, try to walk through it with Jesus every step of the way. As you go about your days this week, fulfilling your normal duties in life, remind yourself of the spiritual truth that because the full Gospel of Jesus’ passion and death were proclaimed to you on Palm Sunday, He is manifestly present to you in a special way. On Holy Thursday, we will ponder the Gift of the Most Holy Eucharist. On Good Friday, we will hear Jesus’ passion proclaimed from the Gospel of John. Thus, this week begins with the proclamation of the Passion and ends with the Passion as a way of drawing us more deeply into the mystery of Christ’s saving Sacrifice.

At the heart of the story of the Passion of Jesus is the manifestation of a love like no other. The love we witness this week is a love that is so pure, so selfless, so sacrificial and so transforming that it is beyond comprehension. The love that we witness is one in which God permits Himself to enter the deepest humiliation ever seen. He does this so that He can meet us in our lowliness, sin, and fallenness, and raise us up to the highest heights imaginable.

Let us resolve to make this week holy by claiming Christ’s redemptive grace and by living holy lives. Let us resolve to make this week holy by reading and meditating Holy Scripture. Let us take time this week to be present to someone who suffers. Sharing the pain of a fellow human will enliven Scripture and help us enter into the holy mystery of the redemptive suffering of Christ. Let us be united with the suffering church throughout the world – especially in the Middle East and Ukraine.

Let us resolve to make this week holy by sharing holy peace and joy within our families, sharing family prayer on a regular basis, making every meal a holy meal where loving conversations bond family members in unity, sharing family work without grumbling, asking forgiveness for past hurts and forgiving one another from the heart, seeking to go all the way for love as Jesus went all the way for love.

As we enter this Holy Week, know that it is more than a week of reflection. It’s a week of participation in the mystery of God’s pure and perfect love for you. As you reflect upon this love, allow it to confront you. Keep it on your mind and heart throughout the week. Allow that love, offered some 2,000 years ago, to become truly present to you so that you will be more present to our Lord and His love for you.

Wishing you all a grace-filled Blessed Week!

Fr. Joyson

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, March 30, 9am

1. For the Repose of John D'Souza, requested by the D'Souza Family
2. For the Repose of Babu Paul, requested by Anna Babu

Tuesday, March 31, 9am

1. For the Repose of Marguerite Lyle, requested by the Lyle Family

Wednesday, April 1, 9am

1. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Rhea D'Souza, requested by Brigette & Sunil
2. For the Repose of Segunda Jo Lim, requested by Rosie Uy
3. For the Birthday Blessings of Alison Misa, requested by the Family
4. For the Repose of Ricardina Fernandes, requested by the Family
5. For the Repose of Michael Fernandes, requested by John, Sabrina & Family
6. For the Repose of Adriana Shelby Carvalho, requested by the Carvalho Family
7. For the Repose of Romano Pascolo, requested by Anne Viljakainen
8. In Thanksgiving & Birthday Blessings for Rodrigo Lemus, requested by the Alejandro Family

Wednesday, April 1, 7pm

1. For Birthday Blessings on Callie Romeo, requested by the Romeo Family
2. For the Repose of Cyriac Joseph, requested by Teresa
3. For the Repose of Errol Carvalho, requested by his Family & Friends
4. For the Repose of Jim Rodrigues, requested by the D'souza Family

Sunday, April 5, 8am

1. In Thanksgiving for Vilma De Leon, requested by the Family

Sunday, April 5, 10am

1. For the Repose of Mariano, Zenaida & Kim Tan, requested by the De Leon Family
2. For the Repose of Geraldine DeCruze, requested by her Family
3. For the Repose of Felicitas Salvador, requested by Alma & Jojo Dizon

Sunday, April 5, 12pm

1. For the Repose of Crescencia & Primitivo Regio, requested by Efen Regio & Family
2. For the Repose of Merlita Buzon Lowachee, requested by the Bronilla Family

Sunday, April 5, 4pm

1. For the Repose of Nanny & Joseph Lau, requested by the Lau-Ranger Family

CHURCH

Sun	Mar 29	Youth Stations of the Cross Practice 5:30pm
Mon	Mar 30	Adult Choir 6:30pm
Wed	Apr 1	Holy Mass & Anointing of the Sick 7:00pm
Wed	Apr 1	Band Practice 8:00pm

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS ROOM

Sat	Apr 4	RCIA—12pm-1pm
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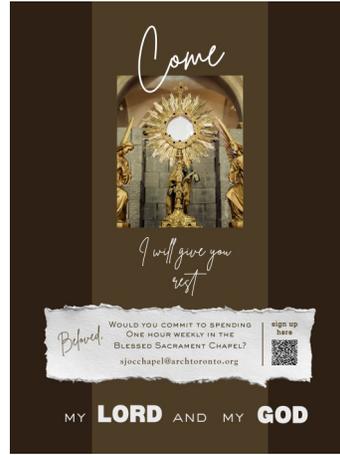
Fri	Mar 30	RCIA 7:00pm
Tue	Mar 31	Bible Study 7:00pm
Sat	Apr 4	Men's Fraternity 6:00-9:00am

BASEMENT CARMEL A ROOM

Fri	Apr 3	RCIA 11:00am—3:00pm
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Parish Office will be closed on:

- Good Friday, April 3rd
- Holy Saturday, April 4th
- Easter Sunday, April 5th
- Easter Monday, April 6th



**WANTED:
COMMITTED
ADORERS!**
If you can commit to spending time every week in the adoration chapel in the Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, please click the flyer on the left or scan 

**SUMMER CROSS CAMP
SAVE THE DATE**

Week 1: July 13-17 Week 2: July 20-24



ShareLife update:

Parish Goal: \$106,000
Total ShareLife offering to date: \$20,939

KOC LEADERSHIP AWARD 2026

*Knights of Columbus Council 12706
St. John of the Cross Parish*

Grade 12 students in Mississauga whose parents are registered parishioners of St. John of the Cross Parish are invited to apply for the Knights of Columbus Leadership Award 2026, which carries a prize of \$600.

Eligibility rules and instructions are available in the Application Form. Your complete application must be submitted by email to olmc12706@gmail.com no later than **April 30, 2026**. (Subject: "KOC Leadership Award Application") A QR Code Link to the application form is available on the Knights Notice Board located near the entrance of Nessinger Hall.

*Fasting & Abstinence
(no meat) on Good Friday.*



We are extremely happy to let you know that the musical production "From Scripture to Stage" raised **\$24,258.50** towards the 3 sets of

doors at the entrance of our worship area in the church. We apologize for the error on the revenue that was announced last weekend.

We extend our heartfelt thank you to all who generously supported, produced, and participated in the successful production of "From Scripture to Stage".

Pray for God's Peace in the world.

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