

St. John Chrysostom Parish

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SUNDAY Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 PM Sunday: 8:30 AM 10:00 AM 12:00 PM

WEEKDAY Mass Schedule

Mon: 8:00 AM
Tues: 7:00 PM
Wed: 12:10 PM
Thurs: 8:00 AM
Fri: 8:00 AM
Sat: 9:00 AM

Confessions

Saturday: 9:30 AM and by appointment

Marriage & Baptism by appointment

Epiphany of the Lord

Mass Intentions

Saturday January 6th 5:00 pm Vigil Mass

♦ Pro-Populo

Sunday January 7th

8:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass

◆ Pro-Populo

12:00 pm Mass

Monday, January 8th

8:00 am Mass

† Maria Rosa Caballiero Felices Tuesday, January 9th

7:00 pm Mass

† John Cumiskey Wednesday, January 10th

12:10 pm Mass

† Lorenzo DiCecco

Thursday, January 11th 8:00 am Mass

† All Souls in Purgatory Friday, January 12th 8:00 am

† All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, January 13th 9:00 am Mass

† All Souls in Purgatory

Sanctuary Camp

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for the repose of

All Souls in Purgatory

(requests for the lamp can be made in the parish office)



We ask for your prayers

Please pray for the sick:

Caitlin Grace McDonald, Madeline

Please pray for the deceased: Elizabeth Skinner, Marietta Abrasosa and Ron Steer.

Attention Parishioners:

Requests for prayers can be submitted in the parish office to be published in the bulletin. For the sick we keep them in the bulletin for 4 weeks and it is up to the one requesting it to let us know if the condition of the individual changes so that we can make the necessary changes. You can email your requests to:

stjohns@neptune.on.ca



The "epiphany" of Jesus, his revelation to the world, was accompanied by the offering of three gifts, each of which symbolized a different aspect of the divine/human savior. Frankincense is offered to Jesus, the Son of God, the eternal Word of the Father who is worshiped with the Father and the Spirit. Gold is offered to Jesus the King of the human race, the summit of creation. "They prostrated themselves and did him homage."

St. Vincent de Paul Society

The St Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank all of those parishioners who contributed to the success of the Mary McCluskey Giving Tree and the Don Montague Christmas Program. Over 1,200 people in our community enjoyed Christmas this year because of your thoughtfulness and generosity, many of whom depend solely on your kindness and contributions at this time of year. We have been told many times that there would be no Christmas without your support.

There were over 1,000 stars on the Mary McCluskey Giving Tree this year and we extend our sincere gratitude to those who purchased these basic gift items that we all take for granted.

With the cash donations received for the Don Montague Christmas Program we provided gift cards that enabled our clients to enjoy the dignity that comes from providing for their family at this most special time of year. We would also like to extend a special thank you to Father Efren, Father Norbert and the parish staff for their support in our efforts to care for the poor.

CWL



Our next CWL general meeting will be on Tuesday, January 16 following the 7:00 pm Mass. It will be a Membership Tea. Please come and bring a friend

and enjoy an evening of fellowship and fun. Membership fees are now due for 2018. If you haven't already paid you could pay at that meeting or enclose a cheque or cash in an envelope with your name, address, phone number and email included. Mark the envelope "CWL Membership" and submitted to the parish office. Please do not place in the collection basket anymore. We appreciate your cooperation with this request.

Knights of Columbus Meeting

There will be a Knights of Columbus meeting on **Tuesday**, **January 16** at 7:30 pm in the Bishop Clune Room of the Parish Centre. All members are encouraged to attend.

Marriage Preparation Course At St. John's

Couples who are planning to marry and have already set a date with a priest are invited to register for our marriage preparation course. This course is suited for the engaged only.



Those who are in a civil marriage or have lived common law need to take a specialized marriage course upon consultation with the priest. St. John Chrysostom Parish will be offering this course in the Parish Centre on **Tuesday, February 20** from 7 pm-10 pm, **Thursday, February 22** from 7 pm-10 pm and **Saturday, February 24** from 9am-3 pm. Please call the office to register or for more information.

Marriage Preparation Courses

New Courses are open for Registration to all couples preparing for Holy Matrimony in the Roman Catholic Church. Couples have the option of accessing two free couple consultation sessions with one of our Counselors on the Family Life Team. Our curriculum is recommended by the Archdiocese of Toronto and supported by years of research done by experts working in the field of marital counseling. Please call 416-921-1163 for more details or visit www.cfstoronto.com for the complete 2018 Programs schedule and to download the registration form or call 416-921-1163 to register by phone.

ShareLife

The ShareLife office has released a Report to Donors sharing the results of the 2017 campaign and demonstrating how our support has made a difference. Copies of the report are available at the parish, or can be downloaded from the ShareLife website at www.sharelife.org.

Capital Fund Collection

Thank you for supporting this collection which is used to take care of general maintenance issues in our parish buildings. The collection will not be taken separately yet. Please place your envelopes and cash donations in the regular offertory collection.

HelpNeeded



This weekend, the Christmas season ends with the celebration of Epiphany. Therefore, the liturgical environment goes

back to Ordinary Time and in preparation for this change, we need help to remove the Christmas trees after the 12noon Mass this Weekend. We will start as soon as the baptisms are complete (at around 2:30pm). We need strong people to take the trees to the street so that they can be picked up by the town this Tuesday. We appreciate your help.

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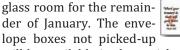
Altar Servers

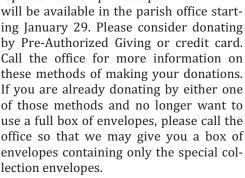
Children who have made their First Communion are welcome to join the Altar Servers ministry. All you need to do is sign up in the office and begin to serve right away. Altar Servers are

trained as they serve. We ask that your child arrives 20 minutes before mass and begin the training under the guidance of experienced Altar Servers.

Offertory Envelopes

The 2018 offertory envelopes will remain in the stain glass room for the remainder of Japanese. The open





Installation of the Sound System



We would like everyone to know that from Monday, January 8 to Friday, January 12, the sound system upgrade will be installed in the church. There may be last minute cancellations of events

scheduled if it is absolutely unavoidable. We appreciate your understanding.

Faith Embodied -- Yoga

The Hatha yoga classes for parishioners will resume free of charge beginning **Monday, January 8th for 9 weeks**, from 2 - 3:15pm. There will not be a class on Family Day, Monday February 19th. Please contact the office to register or for more information.

Confirmation Parent Meeting

-Cancelled-

The confirmation parent meeting which had been scheduled for Thursday, January 11, 2018 is cancelled. It will be rescheduled to a later date.

Kindergarten Registration

The 2018-2019 School year begins January 8, 2018. JK: Children must be 4 years old by Dec. 31, 2018 (born 2014) SK: Children must be 5 years old by Dec. 31, 2018 (born in 2013). If your child is already attending a YCDSB school for JK, registration is not required. For information, contact the Admissions Department: call 905-713-2711 or 416-221-5050 or visit us at www.ycdsb.ca/admisstions

Epiphany Blessing for Homes

In many parts of the Europe, it is traditional to bless the home on the feast of the Epiphany. Families mark their doors with chalk in the following manner . First they would mark the first two digits of the coming year, then the letters CMB and then the last two digits of the coming year. For 2018, the door would be marked 20+C+M+B+18. The letters stand for the legendary names of the Magi: Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar. They also stand for "Christus Mansionem Benedicat" which is Latin for "Christ bless this home."

Blessing

O God who has made a home among us,
We ask you to bless our home.

May our doors always be wide enough to allow joy and love to enter in and to offer hospitality to those who are in need.

May they be narrow enough to keep out sorrow and hatred.

May our home be filled with faith, food and laughter.

May it be a sanctuary from the worries and cares of the world.

May it be a place where we are safe and loved. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen

Pray for Vocations

The Son of God was first manifested to the world through the visit of the magi. Today, God's Son is brought into the world and is present to the world through His Church. If



you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Chris Lemieux at 416-968-0997 or Email him at:

vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

Sing Praises to the Lord!



It has been nearly twenty years since the parish last purchased hymnals. In consultation with the

choir and the community, we have decided to purchase 300 copies of the 3rd Edition of the Glory and Praise Hymnal. This will supplement (not replace) the Catholic Book of Worship which we are currently using and provide us with a wider variety of music to use in our praise and worship of God. If you would like to help contribute to the cost of the hymnals we will be offering you the opportunity to dedicate a book in memory of someone who has died or in thanksgiving for those who are still living. For a donation of \$30, we will provide you with a bookplate that will be placed in one of the new hymnals. Please watch for people at the back of the church to accept your donation and information.

I am interested in	donating towar	ds
the new	hymnals	

Name:		
Phone: _		
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Number	of Hymnals:	

(Submit request to the office or email info to the parish office email: see front of bulletin)

We will be in touch with you to arrange the dedication of your choice.



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