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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

Mass Intentions

Saturday January 13th

5:00 pm Vigil Mass

◆ Pro-Populo

Sunday January 14th

8:30 am Mass

10:00 am Mass } ◆ Pro-Populo
12:00 pm Mass }

Monday, January 15th

8:00 am Mass

† All Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, January 16th

7:00 pm Mass

† Alice Reynolds

Wednesday, January 17th

12:10 pm Mass

† Anna Romanelli

Thursday, January 18th

8:00 am Mass

† Julio Johnson

Friday, January 19th

7:00 pm Healing Mass

† All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, January 20th

9:00 am Mass

† Deceased members of the
Legion of Mary

Sanctuary Lamp

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 Anta

Please pray for the deceased: Elizabeth Skinner, Marietta Abrasosa, Ron Steer, Terrance Cowderoy, Michael Joseph Hennessy.

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



When we witness something beautiful, something important, we desire to share it with others, just as St. John did when he said to his disciples, "Behold the Lamb of God" - and just as those disciples did when they spread the good news of the Messiah. We quest to know God, to follow God, but more important is God's quest for us and our willingness to heed his call. The voice of God can be anywhere, in any guise. It isn't thunder and lightning or extraordinary psychic happenings that connect a person to God. Rather, it is the willingness to listen, to trust and obey, that makes the Lord known.

Catholic Women's League



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. Mark the envelope "CWL Membership" and submit it to the parish office. Please do not place in the collection basket. We appreciate your cooperation with this request.

Knights of Columbus Membership

After each mass, next weekend, our Knights of Columbus will be at the back of the church to answer any membership question you may have. Also, a reminder that there will be a Knights of Columbus meeting on **Tuesday, January 16** at 7:30pm in the Bishop Clune Room of the Parish Centre. All members are encouraged to attend.

Valentine's Day Dance

The Knights of Columbus Valentine's Day dance returns. Join us on **February 10** for dinner, dancing and a very good time. Tickets will be on sale soon and will be sold at the back of the church following each mass. Follow our Facebook page [Facebook.com/kofc6643](https://www.facebook.com/kofc6643) for details and to be sure you get your tickets right away. Last year's tickets sold out fast.



1st Communion Meetings



This is a reminder for families with children enrolled in the 1st Communion program. Preparation meetings begin this week and take place once a month. Your options are Wednesdays at 7 pm-8pm (beginning January 17), Saturdays at 3:45pm-4:45pm (beginning January 20th), Sundays at 1:15pm - 2:15pm (beginning January 21st).

Confirmation Parent Meeting

The confirmation parent meeting which had been scheduled for Thursday, **January 11, 2018** has been **postponed** and it will be **re-scheduled to a later date**.

Visiting Ministry

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on **Monday, January 22** at 7:00pm at Parish Centre. This meeting is open to anyone who might be interested in these ministries as well as all current volunteers. Our speaker for the meeting will be Andrea Savoie (Creative Arts Therapist). Her topic will be "Dementia". Understanding this topic will be helpful in any of our ministries.

Offertory Envelopes

The 2018 offertory envelopes will remain in the stain glass room for the remainder of January. The envelope boxes not picked-up will be available in the parish office starting **January 29**. Please consider donating by Pre-Authorized Giving or credit card. Call the office for more information on these methods of making your donations. If you are already donating by either one of those methods and no longer want to use a full box of envelopes, please call the office so that we may give you a box of envelopes containing only the special collection envelopes.



Thank You

Development and Peace

A most grateful thank you to all parishioners who took a stand for justice and peace by signing the Action Cards sent to our Prime Minister in the recent Development and Peace campaign. 762 signed cards were sent urging much needed action. This was a TREMENDOUS response! There are promising signs that our federal government is already showing more awareness of the need for increased development assistance especially in supporting the role of women in peace making.

Catholic School Supporter Declaration

Tax time will be here in no time! To help us nurture the gift of Catholic Education in the years to come, we ask for the support of every member of our Catholic Community. Please verify that your tax support is directed to the English-Language Separate District Board. Call the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) at 1-866-296-6722, or visit www.mpac.ca. If needed, you may get an Application for Direction of School Support by calling the York Catholic District School Board Admissions Office at 905-713-2711, or visiting www.ycdsb.ca.

Marriage Preparation Course



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 **suites 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. If you are unable to participate in the marriage preparation here at St. John's there are many other courses offered throughout the Archdiocese. Catholic Family Services offers a preparation session a curric-

ulum 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.

Week of Prayer

The week of prayer for Christian Unity will be celebrated around the world **January 18 to 25, 2018** on the theme "Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power" (Exodus 15:6)

Thank You

This past weekend, a number of parishioners came together to undecorate the Church. The long standing group of volunteers that year after year care for the liturgical environment enjoyed seeing so many families with children there. Thank you to you all for a job well done and for bringing us back to the simplicity of the liturgical space that Ordinary Time represents.



Pilgrimage to Poland

28 April—14 May 2018

The Pilgrimage to Poland includes special moments not readily available to other groups. All inclusive cost \$3,300 single and \$3150 for couples. Information: call 613-792-4272 or email at: sbielec@sympatico.ca

Pray for Vocations

A good vocation prayer to say every day - from the time we are young until we are in our golden years - is found in today's first Scripture reading: "Speak Lord, for your servant is listening". Just try it with sincerity, starting today and, 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 thanking 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.

Important things to remember...

Sacrament of the Sick

In cases where there is an urgent need for a priest at the hospital, the Archdiocese has implemented a system which ensures that those who need the Sacrament of the Sick are able to get it in a timely fashion. If you are in urgent need of a priest, **do not** call the priest directly. Rather, speak to the nurse on duty. The nurse will speak to the hospital Chaplain or contact the person in charge. All the priests in the area take turns being on call. They are assigned a 24 hour pager through which they can be contacted immediately. Often times, valuable time is wasted with families trying to get in touch with a specific priest. This puts our loved one in danger of not receiving the Sacrament of the Sick. We appreciate you following this protocol in helping us serve those who are ill and in urgent need of the Sacrament of the Sick.

Sound System

This past week, the new sound system has been installed. We expect it to be a significant improvement for the majority of us. However, keep in mind that the sound system is not designed to make up for those suffering from hearing impairment and it would be good to recognize that as we adapt to the new sound in the Church we may need to adapt to the area where we like to sit. We hope that **your generosity to the Family of Faith Campaign** becomes evident in this addition to our worshiping space.



"Let the proclaimed and sung Word be heard by all"
Thank you for making this happen for our parish

I am interested in donating towards the new hymnals

Name: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____
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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