

# St. John Chrysostom Parish

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St. John's Web Site: www.StJohnChrysostom.on.ca

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St. John Cemetery: www.StJohnChrysostom.on.ca/cemetery.htm

#### 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, April 28th

5:00pm Vigil Mass

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### Sunday, April 29th

8:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass 12:00 pm Mass

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Monday, April 30th 8:00 am Mass

### Tuesday, May 1st

7:00 pm Mass

† Shannon Cunningham

### Wednesday, May 2nd

12:10 pm Mass

† Domenica Novielli

### Thursday, May 3rd

8:00 am Mass

#### Friday, May 4th

7:00 pm First Friday Mass

- † Maria Medeiros
- † Jason Corey Gauthier

### Saturday, May 5th

9:00 am Mass

### Sanctuary Camp April 29-May 5

In thanksgiving by the Kielbiski Family

### We ask for your prayers



For the sick: Caitlin Grace McDonald, Rita Trance, Rosemary Richard, Madeleine Anta, Barbara Lechner,

Maria Mora, Anne, Brian & Vince Allen, Elva Corcoran, Mary Meade, Deacon Gary Johnson, Alfredo & Amanda Gabat, Michael Casey

For the deceased: Angelina Pedretti, Allison Morrison, Mary Fenech, Theresa Collins, Jose Meneses, George Chabrzynski, Bonifacio Bertumen, Felicia Colangelo, Rita McCann, Aldo Cuzzolino, Felicia Colangelo

Requests can be directed to our parish office by phone of via email.

### National March for Life

Join us on Thursday **May 10**, 2018. Life is a gift from God that we must value and defend. More information visit:

marchforlife.ca



Today's Gospel challenges the depth of our relationship to Christ, who calls himself the vine and us, the branches. The immediacy of this relationship was palpable among the early Christians. But what is it for us? We've been invited into something far deeper and more intimate than our relationship to our own family or someone we love. How comfortable are we with this invitation? (by Joan DeMerchant)

### Knights of Columbus



The next Knights of Columbus meeting is on **May 8th**. All members are encouraged to attend. Interested in joining the Knights?

Call Jim at 416-254-1365 or visit www.facebook.com/KofC6643 for more information. Remember to follow us on Facebook for news/updates on upcoming events.

### Cemetery Clean-up

The annual spring cleanup of St. John's Cemetery will take place on **Saturday May 5** from 9am to 12



noon. We need as many volunteers as possible to bring rakes, shovels, and wheelbarrows to the cemetery, but some equipment will also be provided. Following the morning work, the Knights of Columbus will be cooking a BBQ lunch at the Parish Centre. For students looking to earn community service hours, this will qualify. Please bring your forms to be signed.

### Society of St. Vincent de Paul



"To volunteer, make a donation or if you require assistance" please contact us at 905-898-4264. This

a new line dedicated exclusively to contact us in our parish.

### CULL News



The Catholic Women's League is inviting its members to mark the following dates on their calen-

dar: **May 15** General meeting and guest speaker from Inn from the Cold. **June 19** Evening of Reflection with Christine Way Skinner.

### Annual Healing Mass

A healing mass will be held on Monday, **May 14** at 10:30 am for all parishioners especially residents of nursing homes and seniors' residenc-



es, shut-ins and all who are sick and suffering in our parish. Anyone needing help or transportation please phone the parish office at 905-898-4137.

### New Beginnings Separation & Divorce Support Group



If you are struggling, you don't have to do this alone. New Beginnings, a place of discovery, healing and re-

newed faith. **Wednesdays, April 18 to May 23, 2018 at 7pm**, St. Elizabeth Seton Church, welcomes all to attend. There is no cost for this event. For more information please call Elaine at 289-383-4422.

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Helping newcomers to Canada: Angie moved to Canada to marry a man she met online. He

was not who he seemed; she endured emotional and physical abuse. While he was at work, she started attending language classes at Catholic Cross-cultural Services. Staff at CCS connected her with a settlement worker in the women's program. Angie received the support she needed to exit her violent relationship and live independently, free from abuse. Angie is one of over 3,000 clients helped annually by CCS programs funded by ShareLife. **May 27** is the next ShareLife Sunday. **Thank you for your generosity.** 

Each year thousands of individuals from across the archdiocese, and countless more around the world, turn to a ShareLife agency for help. It is the generosity of our parishioners that in large part makes these programs and services possible. St. John's has already contributed \$17, 853.45 toward the 2018 ShareLife campaign. "We extend our appreciation to you and your parish community for all that you are doing to support the work of our agencies."

Arthur Peters: Executive Director ShareLife.

#### Food Drive

Thank you to everyone who generously donated to the Newmarket Food Pantry.

### **Volunteer Opportunity**

St. John's office is inviting anyone who may want to volunteer for few hours a week for minor office tasks. Call the office for more info.

### Special Collection

Next weekend, May 5/6, there will be a special collection for the Pope's Pastoral works. This collection was established by the bishops of Canada in 1970. The Papal Charities allow the Pope to contribute to various charitable causes around the world, particularly toward aiding the victims of war, famine, and natural disasters. The Pope's Pastoral Works displays Christ's love and compassion for people in desperate need. By contributing to this collection, the faithful of Canada give a universal dimension to their charity.

### Southdown Annual Benefit Dinner

All are invited to attend the Annual Benefit Dinner on Thursday, May 10 from 6:30pm to 9:00pm at the Columbus Event Centre in Toronto. This yearly event raises the support and awareness of Southdown's mission to provide integrated holistic treatment for Religious and Clergy. All proceeds from this event help us in providing assistance to those who need treatment but lack sufficient resources. For tickets call 905 727 4214 or email events@southdown.on.ca

## "Take Heart" Bereavement Seminar The Messiness of Grief

In life we often like to have order and structure, control and predictability, however, grief is none of that. It's messy, its complicated, its unpredictable, and its unique to each person. Join Pamela Moss at the Peoples Church, 374 Sheppard Avenue East, Toronto from 8:30am -12 noon on May 4 for this educational event at no charge, sponsored by R.S. Kane Funeral Home. "If you don't grieve well you don't live well."

## Catholic Education Week "Renewing the Promise"

We invite all parishioners to join in celebrating Catholic Education Week, which runs from May 6-11. For more than 165 years, Ontario's publicly funded Catholic schools have been integrating our faith into all aspects of school life, nurturing the gifts and talents of every student. We celebrate the distinctive contribution that Catholic schools provide, giving thanks and offering our prayers for all those who faithfully journey with our young people each day. To affirm your support of Catholic Education and sign up for email updates, visit: <a href="https://www.together.ca">www.together.ca</a>

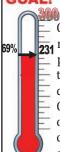
### Bicycles Needed



Consider donating a bicycle to the migrant workers in the Holland Marsh area. Please contact the parish

office.

### Sing Praises to the Lord!



Congratulations! With your generosity we have paid for almost 69% of our new Glory and Praise hymnals. We have placed the hymnal dedication bookplates in these hymnals and put them in the pews. Each time you open one of the dedicated hymnals, please offer a prayer for that which is mentioned in the dedication. It is a wonderful way to support one another and give thanks to God. If you would still like to contribute to this project, please contact the office or watch for people at the back of the church to accept your donation. For a donation of \$30, we will provide you with a bookplate in memory of someone or in gratitude for someone or a favour received.

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### Pray for Vocations

Our second Scripture reading reminds us that we are to love, not in word and speech only, but in truth and action. If you have the continuing inclination that God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon call us at:

416-968-0997 www.vocationstoronto.ca

### Collection Counters Needed

We are grateful to those who expressed interest in this service. The role of this ministry is stated in the form provided by the Archdiocesan Volunteer Screening program, which reads as follows:

"Under the direction of the Collection Counter Coordinator, the Collection Counter assists in the timely and accurate counting of weekly and special collections for the parish. The team must consist of at least three people. Confidentiality and discretion is imperative to the safety and security of the collection counters, staff and the parish. A Collection Counter may be asked to act as Team Leader for the group."

Our goal is to recruit at least ten new collection counters. The requirements for this service are also stated in the description mentioned above. A copy of this form is available in the sacristy for those interested. Please contact Fr. Efren directly (see email below or call the parish office).

### The Sunday Mass

The Sunday Mass airs every Sunday at 8:30 a.m. on CTV (Toronto), and posted online every weekend on the Archdiocese of



Toronto's YouTube channel. This vital ministry helps those who cannot attend Sunday Mass at their local parish due to illness or limited ability.

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