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Sunday Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm
 Sunday 8:30 am
 10:00 am
 12:00 pm

Weekday Masses

Monday 8:00 am
 Tuesday 7:00 pm
 Wednesday 12:10 pm
 Thursday 8:00 am
 Friday 8:00 am
 Saturday 9:00 am

First Friday Mass

7:00 pm
 (no morning mass)

Healing Mass

3rd Friday of the month
 7:00 pm
 (no morning mass)

Office Hours: Monday—Friday: 9 am to 5 pm (closed 12 pm—1 pm)
 Monday—Thursday: 6 pm to 9 pm

Pastoral Team

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Welcome New Parishioners

New parishioners are asked to register in the parish office where you can also learn how you can share your time, talent and treasure in the parish.

Baptism

Contact us a minimum of three months before the desired date of Baptism to sign up to attend an information session.

Christian Initiation

Adults wishing to become Catholic, please contact Deacon Gary Johnson. For Baptism of children over 7 years of age contact Christine Way Skinner.

First Reconciliation, Eucharist & Confirmation

Contact Christine Way Skinner.

Reconciliation

Every Saturday after 9 am Mass, on First Fridays during Adoration or by appointment.

Marriage

Contact the parish office at least one year before the desired date.
weddings@stjohnsnewmarket.ca

Anointing of the Sick

For home visits, call the parish office. From the hospital, ask for a priest directly at the nursing station.

Visiting Ministry

To arrange for a visit and/or to receive Holy Communion to someone at home, contact the parish office.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Available at the 5pm mass on Saturday and at the 10am mass on Sunday

Catholic Women's League

President – Gwen Hearty
cwl@stjohnsnewmarket.ca

Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight-Dean Yeats
facebook.com/kofc6643
knights@stjohnsnewmarket.ca

St. Vincent de Paul

To volunteer, make a donation or if you require assistance call 905-898-4264.

Community Bread

For information, to volunteer or to donate, contact
communitybread@stjohnsnewmarket.ca

Catholic Schools

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St. John Chrysostom	905-895-7411
St. Nicholas	905-895-3777
St. Paul	905-895-4122
Sacred Heart H.S.	905-895-3340
<i>Chaplain: Erica Gismondi</i>	
<i>Trustee: Theresa McNicol</i> 905-898-2210	

Epiphany of the Lord

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Jan 5

5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, Jan 6

8:30 am Mass

10:00 am Mass

12:00 pm Mass

Pro Populo

Monday, Jan 7

8:00 am Mass

† Ephraim Guytingco

Tuesday, Jan 8

7:00 pm Mass

† Antonio LaForges

Wednesday, Jan 9

12:10 pm Mass

† Carmela Tambosso

† Giuseppe Piccione

Thursday, Jan 10

8:00 am Mass

◆ In thanksgiving by L. Halifax

Friday, Jan 11

8:00 am Mass

Saturday, Jan 12

9:00 am Mass



Epiphany is filled with ironies for us. It celebrates those from afar who early acknowledged the Christ child and reminds us of those nearby who were threatened by him. Living in a current political climate that debunks globalism and challenges the meaning of Christianity, we must ask: "How do we make Christ's presence known?" Who do we accept into our communities and our lives regardless of their origins? Christ's coming has always turned things upside down.



During this Christmas season we celebrate the miracle of God becoming one with us in Jesus Christ, our "Emmanuel." Let us openly welcome the Christ child into our hearts. At this time, I pray that the grace of the Christmas message will brighten our lives, renew our faith and strengthen the bonds of friendship among us. We would also like to acknowledge that during this season of family celebration, there are people who welcome Christ into broken hearts. In their home there is an empty spot at the dinner table and around the Christmas tree. It is hard to feel the joy of the season. For you, know that even in these darkest hours, there is still light, which will take us to the place where we need to be. This light will take us to the heart of Christ who will heal our brokenness, remove our anger and hurt and fill us with the peace and strength we need to not just move forward but to reclaim the life that is ours as a community in Christ Jesus. For those who are blessed to be surrounded by children, spouses and good friends, perhaps a prayer could be offered before gift opening for those who are suffering and lonely. Finally, this is a time for gratitude and so we give thanks for all of you, the people of the parish. It is a privilege for us at St. John's to serve you and we are continually encouraged and edified by you. We wish you, and all who are visiting with us this season, a happy and peaceful Christmas.

Sanctuary Lamp

January 7-January 12

The Vigil Lamp burns

In thanksgiving by

Joan Turco

Requests can be directed to our Parish office or via email

We ask for your prayers

For the sick:

Ronnie D'Mello,

Cathy Bajinski, Vicky Agius,

Antonietta Papisodaro,

Neda Turco, Lorien McBride,

Frances Smith

For the deceased:

Joe Tressler, Helmut Jedan,

Michael Licuanan,

Denise Scaglione,

Isidro Gastala,

Diogenes Ealdama, Mike

Lapus, Harold Kloosterman,

Margaret Melnichuk,

Fay Walton, Ted Mulvale

Altar Servers In Training

The parish community welcomes children preparing for First Communion to start training as Altar Servers. We ask that you bring your child and introduce them to the priest. The first 3-4 Sundays, these children will be just part of the procession and observe during mass. Gradually, the more experienced altar servers will give them small tasks if they are ready to take on the responsibility as altar servers.



Epiphany Take-Down



The Feast of the Epiphany marks the end of the Christmas season. You are invited to come to the church this Sunday, **January 6** from 1:30pm-3:30pm to help us undecorate the church and move into Ordinary Time. Please bring vacuums, brooms, compost bags, saws.

Offertory Envelopes

Offertory envelopes for 2019 will remain in the stain glass room and will be taken to the parish office on Monday, January 14. We appreciate everyone's cooperation to do so as soon as possible. We will make every effort to contact you to verify that boxes not collected by



the end of January are in fact not going to be used again. If you are presently donating by Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) or Credit Card (CC) and no longer want to use a full box of envelopes, please call the office for options. Parishioners who would like to use PAG or CC donating methods can register using the forms found where the boxes are. If you need assistance with this, please call the office. It is important that no one uses 2018 envelopes in 2019. Any donations submitted using the wrong envelopes will be credited for the assigned year on the envelope.

CWL

Our next general meeting will be held on **January 15** after the 7:00 pm Mass. We hope to have our new executive in place and will enjoy a social evening as we welcome them.

Knights of Columbus

We are still collecting your pop can tabs in the bucket in the church entrance. Our next breakfast will be on **February 17** starting at 9:30am. Everyone is welcome.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

There is a Formation and training day available to everyone in this ministry to be held

on Saturday January 12, at St. Philip Neri parish from 9am to 2pm. If you wish to register contact Rebecca at rspellacy@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 x525 or visit :

<https://emhcarchto.evenbrite.ca>

First Eucharist Preparation

Classes begin this January for First Eucharist on **January 10, 12 or 13** depending upon which day you signed up for. You should have received an email indicating which class your child has signed up for. If you have not received an email, please email Christine (address on cover) or visit our website for the complete schedule.

Confirmation Preparation Update

There will be a training and organizational meeting for all facilitators for the Confirmation programme on Wednesday, **January 16** at 7:30 pm. Classes will begin the week of **January 20**. You will receive a call after the 16th indicating which class your son or daughter is in. The complete schedule is available on the parish website.



Faith Embodied Yoga

Hatha Yoga classes will be offering a 2019 session free of charge for parishioners beginning **Monday, January 10-March 4** from 2-3:30 pm, excluding Family Day, Holiday Monday, February 18. Remember to bring your yoga mat and water.

Learn more about the Mass



If you would like to learn more about why we do what we do at mass, you are welcome to attend a teaching mass on Thursday, **January 24** from 7 pm – 8:30 pm in the church. Children from the sacramental programmes are especially invited, but this is open to anyone in the parish who is interested.

Marriage Sunday

As part of Marriage Sunday 2019 celebrations, Cardinal Collins will preside at a special Mass to honour couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2019. Any couples celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th+ wedding anniversary in 2019, are invited to join at 4 pm on Sunday, **February 10** at St. Clare of Assisi Parish. Reception to follow Mass. Register at www.archtoronto.org/marriage or 416-934-3400 X 523.



Parish Website & Bulletins



Take a moment to visit the parish website. New material is being added regularly. Please let us know if you see any errors or things to which we need to attend. You can also sign up through the website to have the bulletin sent to you. If you would like to receive the parish bulletin weekly online, visit our parish website and look for the link to sign up. Please refer to the cover page for website address.

Pray for Vocations

“On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.” God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ’s name? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon.....contact Fr. Chris Lemieux at 416-968-0997; or visit/ email us at:



www.vocationstoronto.ca
vocations@archtoronto.org

Stewardship

Not a program, but a way of life. Our sharing in the Paschal mystery brings us to see that our sacrifices represent our gratitude, praise, and trust in God. The offering of a significant portion of our time, talent and treasure is also a sign of giving the whole of our lives to God. Then our lives are transformed by this action. No matter what age we are, if we are to fulfill our mission, our personal vocation, stewardship must be an integral part of that role. Therefore, stewardship is not about money. Stewardship is about receiving all of God’s gifts (time, talent, and treasure) gratefully, cultivating them responsibly, sharing them lovingly in justice with others, and then, returning them with increase to the Lord.

Our Offertory Collection

In order to meet the operating expenses of the parish, we need a Weekly Average collection of :

\$14,181

Total collected on December 22-23

\$12,429

Christmas Eve & Day Masses

\$21,433

Total collected on December 29-30

\$8,553

Thank you for funding the many services, ministries and programs our community depends on.

Blessing Your Home



On Epiphany Sunday we celebrate the manifestation of Christ to the world and the coming of the Three Kings. Because this was the day the Three Kings visited the house of Jesus, the custom of blessing homes on Epiphany Day developed. After the blessing, the initials of their traditional names, Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar were written in chalk on the back of the door. They were enclosed by the year and connected by a cross in this

way. 20 + C + M + B + 17
Use the following prayer to bless your home as you make the inscription on your door. Have someone light and hold your Christmas candle during your blessing ceremony. This is a reminder that we are still in the Christmas Season.

Lord Jesus, the Three Kings followed the star that led them to your home. Help us to find you in this house through the love we share. Bless our home and all of us during this year ahead. Amen.

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