



# St. John Chrysostom

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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

### Pastor

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### Associate Pastor

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### Deacon

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### Lay Pastoral Associate

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### Main Office

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### St. John's Cemetery

Don Smart  
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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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Sacred Heart H.S. 905-895-3340  
Chaplain: Erica Gismondi  
Trustee: Theresa McNicol 905-898-2210

# Baptism of the Lord

## Mass Intentions

**Saturday, Jan 12**

5:00 pm Mass

**Sunday, Jan 13**

8:30 am Mass

10:00 am Mass

12:00 pm Mass

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**Monday, Jan 14**

8:00 am Mass

**Tuesday, Jan 15**

7:00 pm Mass

† Margaret Melnichuk

◆ Intentions of the CWL

**Wednesday, Jan 16**

12:10 pm Mass

† Fay Walton

† Clementina Fiore

**Thursday, Jan 17**

8:00 am Mass

**Friday, Jan 18**

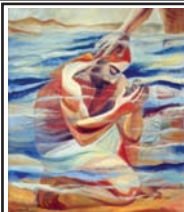
7:00 pm Healing Mass

† Ted Smykiel

**Saturday, Jan 19**

9:00 am Mass

† Matthew McConville



This Christmas season ends with a beginning — we celebrate Jesus' baptism and initiation into his ministry. The ancient promise of justice to Israel is fulfilled in him whose mission, empowered by the Spirit, will focus on peace and justice. Our baptism mirrors his as the beginning of what we are called to be and do. We are all empowered to be instruments of peace and justice and to invite others to join us. (Joan DeMerchant)

## 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.



## 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.

## Thank you

After last weekend, the Feast of the Epiphany, we were very blessed to have so many parishioners, including entire families, join us to take away all the wonderful signs of Christmas. It was a time to move from the abundance of joy to the simplicity of Ordinary Time that we now welcome with open arms. Thank you for making this transition so much easier this year.



## Offertory Envelopes

This is the last weekend to pick up your 2019 Offertory envelopes located in the stain glass room. On Monday, January 14, they will be taken to the parish office and available for pick up during regular office hours, Monday through Friday. 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.

## Confirmation Preparation Update



There will be a meeting on **Wednesday, January 16** from 7 pm - 8:30 pm for all those who signed up to assist as facilitators with the confirmation preparation programme. If you like working with this age group and are still interested, we could use one or more facilitators. Please contact Christine if you would like more information.

## 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.



## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Your kindness and generosity made Christmas brighter for many in our community. As you make your New Year's resolutions, if you are 18 or older and looking to make a difference close to home, why not consider bringing your special skills or gifts of time to our SSVP parish conference? Leave a message at 905-898-4264. The poor boxes are now located beside the inside church doors and held, mostly, by Vincentians who are happy to answer your questions.



## Sanctuary Lamp

January 14-January 19

The Vigil Lamp burns

for the health of

Joe Hum

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,

Noah Della Cese, Joe Hum

For the deceased:

Margaret Melnichuk,

Fay Walton, Ted Mulvale,

Frances Smith, Joey Garcia

Note:

Names must be submitted by family members and will be kept for a period of one month. For the sick, we require a monthly resubmission of the name, and if the condition of the individual changes sooner, please let us know.



### Faith Embodied Yoga

Hatha Yoga classes started last week and continue to be offered free of charge for parishioners every **Monday** until **March 4** from 2-3:30 pm, excluding Family Day, Holiday Monday, February 18. Space is still available. Remember to bring your yoga mat and water.

### Visiting Ministry



Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday, **January 28** from 7pm to 9pm at the Parish Centre. Our speaker for the meeting will be Juliette Irish, Executive Director of Doane House Hospice. Her topics will include; how to provide comfort and care to patients with life threatening illness and support methods to their families. All visiting ministry members should attend. Anyone interested in this very necessary ministry is welcome. Refreshments will be served.

### Children's Choir

We invite all children who have the talent to sing to join our children's choir this year. The commitment is once a week for rehearsals with the added



commitment to sing at the 12 Noon Mass on Sunday's. If interested, join us for our next rehearsal on Wednesday **January 23** in the church: 5:30pm to 6:30pm. For more information email Joan Turco at [stjc.mainoffice2@gmail.com](mailto:stjc.mainoffice2@gmail.com)

### Men's Retreat

The Augustinians at MaryLake (King City) will be hosting this event, **January 25 to 27**. Food and accommodation will be provided. Donation requested. Call Harry McAvoy at 905-898-4899 or email him at [hmcavoy@sympatico.ca](mailto:hmcavoy@sympatico.ca).

### Prayer for Christian Unity



The week of prayer for Christian Unity will be celebrated around the world **January 18-25, 2019** on the theme "Justice, and only justice, you shall pursue" (Deuteronomy 16:18-20).

### Adult Faith Formation

One of the distinctive features of the Catholic Tradition is that it is sacramental. On Monday evenings, beginning **January 14 to March 4**, from 7:30pm to 9pm the Adult Faith Formation group will study, share and reflect on the sacraments. If you are interested in joining the group, call the parish office.

### Pray for Vocations



As John the Baptist introduced the people of his time to Jesus a voice from heaven said, "You are my Son, the Beloved, with you I am well pleased." Perhaps God is calling you to do the same in our time as a priest, deacon or religious. 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](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca) [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org).

### Stewardship

Our sharing in the Paschal mystery brings us to see that our sacrifices represent our gratitude, praise, and trust in God. Therefore, stewardship is not about money. Stewardship is about receiving all of God's gifts 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 New Year's

**\$3,132.**

Total Collected January 5-6

**\$12,770.**

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

### 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 on-line, visit our parish website and look for the link to sign up. Please refer to the cover page for website address.



Before Christmas, St. John's parish began celebrating a mass on **Saturday evenings in Mandarin and Cantonese at 7pm**. As some of you may know, Fr. Efen has been celebrating Sunday Mass at Holy Martyrs of Japan parish for the Hispanic community that has grown over the years in connection to *El Sembrador*, a well known ministry in our parish. After much discussion and consideration, it was decided, with the approval of the Cardinal, that attention should be given to this community independently from the ministry of *El Sembrador* in order to better serve the pastoral needs of both. The pastor of Holy Martyrs of Japan will continue to care for *El Sembrador* and Fr. Efen will take responsibility for the Spanish speaking population of this region by offering a mass at St. John's. This mass will be primarily in Spanish but will also include some English readings and music in order to make it accessible to the larger community. The inaugural mass will be held on **Sunday, February 17 at 5pm**. We encourage you to volunteer with the liturgical ministries (i.e. Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, ushers, altar servers, etc.).

Our vision is that this mass will be as inclusive as possible so that we, as church, begin to integrate the stranger as members of our family of faith rather than being segregated according to language and cultural differences. We are fortunate to be enriched by so many cultures and languages in our parish and we welcome the opportunity to be one though many. Please call the parish office if you wish to volunteer in any way.

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