



# 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

Rev. Efren Alvarez Pelayo  
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### Associate Pastor

Rev. Norberto Eyule  
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### Deacon

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### Deacon

Gary Johnson  
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### Lay Pastoral Associate

Christine Way Skinner  
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## Office Staff

### Main Office

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### Accounting

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Dan Christante—manager  
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### St. John's Cemetery

Don Smart  
cemetery@stjohnsnewmarket.ca

## 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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Chaplain: Erica Gismondi  
Trustee: Theresa McNicol 905-898-2210

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, Mar 2**

5:00 pm Mass  
7:00 pm Mass (Chinese)

**Sunday, Mar 3**

8:30 am Mass  
10:00 am Mass  
12:00 pm Mass  
5:00 pm Mass (Spanish)

Pro Populo

**Monday, Mar 4**

8:00 am Mass  
† Craig Boland  
† Fidel Delos Reyes

**Tuesday, Mar 5**

7:00 pm Mass  
† Shirley Ward  
† Amparo Ragudo

**Ash Wednesday, Mar 6**

12:10 pm Mass  
† Giuseppe Parise  
† Giuseppina Gargano  
7:00 pm Mass

**Thursday, Mar 7**

8:00 am Mass  
† Amado Delos Reyes

**Friday, Mar 8**

8:00 am Mass  
† Giuseppe Franze  
7:00 pm Memorial Mass  
† Pasqua Bavaro

**Saturday, Mar 9**

9:00 am Mass  
† Giovanni Novielli  
† Sal Arrigo



Scripture challenges us to be mindful of our thoughts, words and deeds. They call us to first judge ourselves before we judge others. May God shake us from our sins of apathy and judgment, so as to provide a path to enter more deeply into the Lenten journey before us. (Sue Robb). Let us not forget Jesus' words: "Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye?" May the Holy Spirit help us to be patient in bearing wrongs, and humble and simple in giving counsel.

**Knights of Columbus**



Mark your calendar for our St. Patrick's Day Pub Night on **March 16**. Join us for great food, live band and a silent auction.

Tickets will be available soon. For information you can find us on Facebook at [facebook.com/KofC6643](https://facebook.com/KofC6643)

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul**

Check out our new page on the Parish Website. In response to your requests, it has a link for 'online' donations to our Conference, with immediate tax receipts, through Canada Helps. The 2018 St. Vincent de Paul tax receipts have been mailed out as of **February 28, 2019**.



**Visiting Ministry**



Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday, **April 1 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.

**Ash Wednesday**

Ashes will be distributed, **March 6 at 12:10pm** and again at **7pm**. Ashes are a symbol of repentance. They remind us of our own mortality and our limitedness as creatures. With ashes we remember how much we are in need of God's grace and mercy and how much we need to come back to the ways of our loving God.



**The Season of Lent**



Each year, the Church provides us with the opportunity to renew our commitment to live as a follower of Christ. This happens at the Easter liturgies when we renew our baptismal promises. Do we actually still believe in the message of Christ with all our hearts? Do we still reject evil and sin with all our being? If we take this renewal seriously, we know we have fallen short. We must repent of attitudes and behaviours which keep us from being faithful disciples. We are in need of conversion. Jesus taught us what we need to enable this conversion when he spoke about prayer, fasting and giving. Each year, on Ash Wednesday, we read about these disciplines and how to engage in them in a healthy and fruitful fashion. Prayer connects us to the Source of Life where we are challenged to grow and where we experience merciful love. Fasting and almsgiving help us realize our dependence on God and help us to develop compassion for those who have less than we do. Almsgiving also helps us to make a very real difference in people's lives. In the parish, we offer a number of opportunities for you to pray, fast and give. During the Fridays of Lent, we invite you to join us for Solidary Soup in which we eat a simple meal together as a community and donate the budget of our dinner to the poor. This begins Friday, **March 8 from 5 pm to 6:30 pm**. After the meal, there is an opportunity for prayer. On the first Friday of Lent March 8 and on March 15 at 7pm we will celebrate a Healing Mass. **On all other Fridays we will pray the Stations of the Cross**. Lots more ideas for praying, fasting and giving in Lent have been posted on our website under Celebrating the Liturgical Year—<http://bit.ly/2SZzKdF>.

**Sanctuary Lamp**

March 4–March 9

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for the intentions of

**The Holy Father**

**Pope Francis**

We ask for your prayers  
**For the sick:**

Meg Gomes, Dyla Ristevski, Christina Ardill, Jerry Pelletier, Noah Delle Cese

**For the deceased:**

Lilia Perdomo, Craig Boland, Nenita Molina.



### Reconciliation Tree



The real work of conversion happens when we concretely address the areas in our lives where we are most in need of mercy and reconciliation. Once again, this year, as a parish community, we will set up a Reconciliation Tree in the sanctuary of the Church. Each week, we will focus on an area of our lives in which we are in need of healing and reconciliation. You are encouraged to attach a ribbon onto the tree to indicate each instance of such mercy that you experience throughout the week. This can be times when you have been the object of mercy or when you have been merciful to others. At the end of lent, when the tree is completely covered in ribbons, we can rejoice knowing that we have experienced God's compassionate, forgiving love in our lives and brought that same healing love to others.

### Stations of the Cross

On the evening of Good Friday, the youth of the parish will lead us in a dramatic presentation of the Way of the Cross. We are looking for young people in elementary and high school who would like to participate. Practices will begin after March Break. If you are an older student (Grade 7-12) and would like a larger role, we may meet earlier. Visit our website or email us for more info at [stations@stjohnsnewmarket.ca](mailto:stations@stjohnsnewmarket.ca).



### Women's Lenten Retreat

Queen of Apostles will offer a Lenten Retreat on the weekend of **March 22-24** on the theme: Every Gift Reveals God's Love: But No Gift Reveals God's Love More Than The Gifts Of The Cross. For further information or to register please call 905-278-5229.



### Supporting ShareLife



Monthly pre-authorized giving (PAG) is an easy way to spread your ShareLife contribution over the course of a year. The ShareLife package you received by mail includes a response form with a PAG option. Simply submit a void cheque with the completed form to your parish office or drop it in the offertory basket at any time. Contact ShareLife at 416-934-3411 or email us for more information at [slife@archtoronto.org](mailto:slife@archtoronto.org) if you have any questions about pre-authorized giving to ShareLife. Thank you for supporting ShareLife!

### Pilgrimage To The Holy Land



Fr. Norbert is leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land on **November 17-26, 2019**. Many have already registered.

If you are considering joining us, send in your registration form as soon as possible in order to reserve your spot. For additional information, flyers are available at the entrance of the church or:

Call 905- 715-1530

Email: [norberto\\_eyule@yahoo.com.ph](mailto:norberto_eyule@yahoo.com.ph)

### 2018 Tax Receipts

Tax receipts for the year 2018 have been mailed out as of **February 28, 2019**.



### Second Collection

We remind everyone that next weekend **March 9/10** there is collection for the Benevolent Fund. Thank you for your continued support.

### Food Drive

Thank you for bringing your donations of non-perishable food items to mass. Items can still be brought next weekend and will be brought to the Newmarket



### Vocation's Events



**March 15-17.** Come & See Weekend includes Holy Mass, Adoration and Confession. **March 30, 9:30am-3pm:** Lenten retreat & workshop led by Fr. Charles Anang: 'Mary in the Heart of the Church.'

### Pray for Vocations

"In the Lord your labour is not in vain". Is the Lord calling you to work in His vineyard? Pray to hear God's call. Is God calling you to consider priesthood or religious life? 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:

**\$13,200**

Total Collected February 9-10

**\$10,229.**

Thank you for funding the operation and ministries our community depends on.

### 2019 Offertory Envelopes

Parishioners who did not find their assigned envelope box and those who would like to start using offertory envelopes can pick up a new box at the office during regular office hours. Please **do not use 2018 envelopes** as numbers have been re-assigned. We need you to use envelopes that reflect the year 2019.



### Deacon Michael Miranda

After eight years serving at St. John's Parish, Deacon Michael Miranda has been asked to serve at Our Lady of Annunciation Parish in King City. He has accepted this appointment beginning this weekend. We extend gratitude for Deacon Michael's contribution to St. John's and wish him the very best as he continues to serve the people of God through his diaconate. He will have the opportunity to say a proper farewell to parishioners in the next few weeks.

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