



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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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

Canadian Martyrs 905-895-8530
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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
Chaplain: Erica Gismondi
Trustee: Theresa McNicol 905-898-2210

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Mar 9

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

Sunday, Mar 10

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

Monday, Mar 11

8:00 am Mass

Tuesday, Mar 12

7:00 pm Mass
†Leonardo Pipitone
◆Thanksgiving-Linda Santeramo

Wednesday, Mar 13

12:10 pm Mass
†Craig Boland
◆Intentions of Michael Boland

Thursday, Mar 14

8:00 am Mass

Friday, Mar 15

7:00 pm Healing Mass

Saturday, Mar 16

9:00 am Mass
†Carmelina Del Gobbo

Pro Populo



Trust. Trouble. Temptation. The Israelites remembered and trusted in God's constant, guiding presence and gave back to God the first fruits of the land. The psalmist trusted God would be present in times of trouble. Jesus survived temptation in the desert, only by trusting in God. In whom or in what do we place our trust when we are troubled and tempted? (Sue Robb)

Knights of Columbus



Tickets are being sold at the back of the church for our St. Patrick's Day Pub Night on **March 16**. Get your tickets fast! Come and enjoy a night of great food, live music and a silent auction – all in support of St. Vincent de Paul. Follow us on Facebook at facebook.com/KofC6643.

Catholic Women's League

Our next general meeting is Tuesday, **March 19** in the Parish Centre following the **7:00 pm** Mass. Join us for an art lesson, as we welcome guest speaker and artist, Anne West.

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.

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 Solidarity Soup in which we eat a simple meal together as a community and **donate the budget of our dinner to the poor**. Join us again, this Friday, **March 15** from **5pm to 6:30pm**. After the meal, there is an opportunity for prayer as we celebrate our Healing Mass at 7pm in the church. **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/2SZz>

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



Sanctuary Lamp

March 11–March 16

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for the health of **Nelia Cabral**

The sanctuary lamp is an opportunity as expression of prayer for a particular prayer or intention. Call us if you wish to make an offering for your intentions.

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.

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.

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 at stations@stjohnsnewmarket.ca.

Children's Choir

The children's choir has become a welcome addition to the noon Mass, and we hope to see more of our talented youth consider this ministry. Children who have the talent to sing and the ability to read, are welcome to our next rehearsal on **Wednesday March 13** in the church: **5:30pm to 6:30pm**. For more information email Joan Turco at stjc.mainoffice2@gmail.com.



Supporting ShareLife

“As we begin our ShareLife campaign, we are encouraged to live the Gospel in all we do. How do we demonstrate that in our community? Living the Gospel may mean helping single mothers to care for their newborn children, or being available to families facing difficulties, or welcoming refugee families to our community. For 43 years, countless individuals have experienced the compassionate care offered by our agencies. Please support our annual archdiocesan appeal during this Lenten season!” Cardinal Thomas Collins. **March 31** is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.



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

A Volunteer Opportunity

On Good Friday this year, the youth of the parish are presenting the Stations of the Cross. We will be designing the props during March Break. We have arranged to paint props on **Thursday, March 14** from **1 pm – 4 pm**. We need people (teens and adults) to help paint. We would also appreciate if anyone is able to provide any of the following: leftover white, brown, blue, black LATEX (water based) paint, wide paint brushes, tarp. Please call the office, if you can volunteer or contribute supplies.



Community Bread

Commissioning & Social

To serve the poor, is to meet Christ face to face. It is in light of our service to the least of our brothers and sisters, that we are ultimately judged and so it is central to our Christian life. However, to sustain our service, we need to be connected to God in prayer and empowered with God's Spirit. To acknowledge the importance of the service of our Community Bread Volunteers to the marginalized, through this ministry, and to empower them to continue to serve, we invite Community Bread volunteers to celebrate a Commissioning Rite at the **12 noon** mass on **Sunday, March 24**. After the homily, the celebrant will invite all volunteers at the same time to the sanctuary area and the rite will involve a calling to service. The commissioning will be followed by a social in the parish centre. Please RSVP to the parish office at:



parish.office@stjohnsnewmarket.ca

Food Drive

Items can still be brought next weekend and will be brought to the Newmarket Food Pantry.



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



Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting.

Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the life-commitment God has prepared for you? 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
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 March 2-3

\$13,583.

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

Deacon Michael Miranda

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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