



St. John Chrysostom

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Sunday Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm
(Chinese) 7:00 pm
Sunday 8:30 am
10:00 am
12:00 pm
(Spanish) 5:00 pm

Weekday Masses

Monday no mass
Tuesday 7:00 pm
Wednesday 12:00 pm
Thursday 8:00 am
Friday 7:00 pm
Saturday 9:00 am

First Friday Mass

Devotions & Confessions
After 7pm Mass

Reconciliation

Every Friday after 7pm
Mass or by appointment.

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

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.

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.

Mass of Anointing

Celebrated quarterly.
Dates will be announced in the bulletin and on our website.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

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

Visiting Ministry

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

Theology on Tap

Young adults ages 20-35 meet to discuss faith & justice in a safe space. For more information email us at theologyontap@stjohnsnewmarket.ca

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.
Blog: sjcses.blogspot.com

Community Bread

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

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Chaplain: Erica Gismondi
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Mass Intentions

Saturday, Oct 5

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

Sunday, Oct 6

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

Tuesday, Oct 8

7:00 pm Mass
† Kent Taylor
† Maria Ines Leon

Wednesday, Oct 9

12:00 pm Mass
† Antonietta Di Iulio
† Ruth & Maxwell Broughton

Thursday, Oct 10

8:00 am Mass

Friday, Oct 11

7:00 pm Mass
† Carmen Mais

Saturday, Oct 12

9:00 am Mass
† Kent Taylor
† Roberto Sr. & Carolina Portilla

Pro Populo



Faith the size of a mustard seed! It is a good thing this is all we need because sometimes it is all we **have!** When we cry out to God in times of suffering, when we cannot find answers to the significant questions of our lives, we can become discouraged. What does the Lord advise in these times? Write out our vision. Harden not our hearts. Rekindle God's gifts within us. Fear not. We are promised that the smallest bit of faith can bring us back to confidence, courage and faithfulness. CWS

Knights of Columbus



On **October 8** we welcome Councillor Bob Kwapis for a presentation; details to follow.

We are still collecting pop can tabs in the bucket at the church entrance. For information, our contact address is on the bulletin cover page or call Jim at 416-254-1365.

Children's Liturgy of the Word



Children (typically between the ages of 3 and 9) are welcome to attend. No registration is necessary. We are always looking for people to lead, so let us know if you are interested. If you would like to learn more, please visit the ministries section of the website.

Adult Faith Formation



On **Monday** evenings until **November 11**, from **7:30 to 9pm**, the Adult Faith Formation group will be studying Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si* (On Caring For Our Common Home). If you are interested in joining the group, call the parish office.



Thanksgiving Food Drive

Please remember to bring non-perishable food items on Thanksgiving weekend **October 12 & 13**. After the 12 noon mass we need your help to bring donations to the parish centre. Items can be left at the back of the church

Parish Headcount Survey



On the weekends of **October 19/20** and **October 26/27**, we will be conducting a headcount survey for the Archdiocese. For those who are taking communion to

the house-bound, or to those in retirement or care facilities, please inform the office how many people you have visited.

Public School Children

The parish offers a comprehensive catechetical programme for children from Grade 1-8. Please register by contacting Christine Way Skinner. Classes begin on Sunday, **October 20** at **11:15 am** in the Parish Centre.

Have you ever considered becoming a Catholic?

St. John Chrysostom parish offers an inquiry group that meets each week beginning on Thursday, **October 17** at



7:30pm. This is a non-judgmental, non-threatening, welcoming place for people to come and ask questions about the church. If you are interested in learning more about this process, please contact the parish.

Youth Lector Training

On Tuesday, **October 8** at **6pm** we will be holding an evening of training and commissioning for youth nominated by their teachers and peers to take on the ministry of proclaiming the Word at school masses. After the training they will join us for the **7pm** mass where they will be formally commissioned as lectors.



Sunday Missals 2019-2020

Sunday Missals are now available in the parish office during regular office hours. If you would like to have your own copy, the cost is \$5.00 per missal. Thank you for your support.



We ask for your prayers

FOR THE SICK:

Noah Delle Cese,
Jeanette McPake, Wilhelmina Cuypers, Judy Campbell, Maryann Ferrer, Francie Niekamp, Alan Botham, Justin Amaral

FOR THE DECEASED:

Kent Taylor, Patrick Byrne, Jean Sharm, Beulah McMahon, Garry Magee



Federal Election

Monday, October 21

Information handouts are at the entrance of the church. Let's educate ourselves, reflect through the lens of our faith and take the time to vote. Thank you!

Commitment Sunday: Honouring the Past-Building the Future

What Is Stewardship?



Stewardship, in its simplest terms, is the act of putting God's priorities before our own. Good stewards give the first portion of their gifts of time, talent and treasure to the Lord's work in gratitude for his many blessings. This practice of giving our "first fruits" incorporates the aspect of sacrificial giving. Stewards do four things...

- ◆ Receive God's gifts gratefully
- ◆ Nurture God's gifts responsibly
- ◆ Share God's gifts justly and charitably
- ◆ Return those gifts to God abundantly

Becoming a Steward of Christ

Jesus not only calls people to him, but also forms them and sends them out in his service. True discipleship leads naturally to the practice of Stewardship. These linked realities, discipleship and stewardship, make up the fabric of a Catholic life in which each day is lived in an intimate, personal relationship with the Lord.

The Cost of Discipleship

The way of discipleship is privileged beyond any other. Jesus says, "I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly." (John 10:10) But discipleship is not an easy path. "If you wish to come after me," Jesus also says, "you must deny yourself and take up your cross daily and follow me. For if you wish to save your life, you will lose it; but if you lose your life for my sake, you will save it." (Lk 9:23-24)

The Three Facets of Stewardship

Time: A true understanding of stewardship begins with taking care of and sharing the gift of time. We are only given so much time. Planning a careful schedule in order to have the time to work, to rest, to play and to pray is vital in the stewardship of our physical, emotional, spiritual and intellectual lives.

Talent: If stewardship means taking care of and sharing God's gifts, then stewardship of the gift of talent means nurturing, developing and using the God-given abilities and characteristics that help to define who we are as individuals. Our talents are special blessings that we receive from

God. When we volunteer to help others by sharing our talents, we give something more precious than our time or our money.

Treasure: True stewardship is taking care of and sharing all that we have and all that we are — our time, our talents and our treasure. Our treasure — both money and all of the other things we possess — are gifts from God that we are asked to care for and generously share for our own benefit and for the good of others.

The Spirituality of Stewardship

Stewardship is living out a commitment to be Christ-centered rather than self-centered. Stewardship gives joy! Those who voluntarily give their time and abilities for work in the parish will always experience joy if they give them for Christ.

Christian stewardship helps us to become aware that God is the ultimate giver of the gifts we have. Our gift to God should be from the top, not from what may be left over. Stewardship is not job-oriented or project-minded. It is a way of life for a lifetime.

Stewardship Prayer

Generous and loving God,
you call us to be disciples
of your Son Jesus
and good stewards of
your many gifts.

Open our minds and hearts
to a greater awareness
and deeper appreciation
of your countless blessings.

Transform us through the power
of your Spirit

to nurture a stewardship way of life
marked by faith-filled prayer,
service to our neighbor,
and generous sharing.

Teach us to be faithful
servants of your gifts.

With Mary's help,
may we return ten-fold
the gifts entrusted to us.

We pray this through Christ,
our Lord. Amen.

— Bishop Robert Morneau

Pray for Vocations

"Increase our faith."

Listen for the voice of God. Are you being called to be a priest or religious? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997 or email at: vocations@archtoronto.org or vocationstoronto.ca



Our Offertory Collection

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

\$13,200.

Collection received on

September 28-29

Weekly Offertory

\$10,809.

Benevolent Fund Collection

We remind everyone that next weekend, **October 12-13**, there is a collection for the Benevolent Fund. This is a parish effort to assist those in unusual yet legitimate occasional need. Thank you for your continued support.



All Souls Day

All Souls envelopes are now available at the entrance of the church for those who wish to include them in the Mass Intention of All Souls Day. These envelopes will be collected during the offertory on "All Souls Day". The names will be collected and displayed **during the month of November** at all Sunday Masses after communion. We ask that all names be clearly written on the envelope.



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