



# 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

Rev. Efrén Alvarez Pelayo  
fr.efren@stjohnsnewmarket.ca

### Deacon

Gary Johnson  
deacon.gary@stjohnsnewmarket.ca

### Lay Pastoral Associate

Christine Way Skinner  
cwayskinner@stjohnsnewmarket.ca

## Parish Staff

### Main Office

Louisa Steele  
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### Accounting

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property@stjohnsnewmarket.ca

### Custodian

Leo Lopez

### St. John's Cemetery

Don Smart  
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Fax: 905-884-0477

## 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](mailto:theologyontap@stjohnsnewmarket.ca)

## Catholic Women's League

President – Gwen Hearty  
cwl@stjohnsnewmarket.ca

## Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight – Dean Yeats  
[facebook.com/kofc6643](https://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](http://sjcses.blogspot.com)

## Community Bread

For information, to volunteer or to donate, contact [communitybread@stjohnsnewmarket.ca](mailto: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  
Chaplain: Erica Gismondi  
Trustee: Theresa McNicol 905-898-2210

## Second Sunday of Advent

### Mass Intentions

**Saturday, Dec 7**

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

**Sunday, Dec 8**

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

◆ Gustavo & Liliana Salinas

**Monday, Dec 9**

7:00 pm Mass  
Immaculate Conception

**Tuesday, Dec 10**

7:00 pm  
Advent Reconciliation Service

**Wednesday, Dec 11**

12:00 pm Mass  
† Guadalupe Aguirre  
◆ Shibley Family

**Thursday, Dec 12**

8:00 am Mass  
◆ Rev. Sam Samuel VC  
† Peter Ennamorato

7:00 pm Mass  
Our Lady of Guadalupe

**Friday, Dec 13**

8:00 am Mass  
◆ John MacDonald

**Saturday, Dec 14**

9:00 am Mass

**Sanctuary Lamp**  
**December 9-14**

For the Intentions of  
*Our Parish Community*

#### We ask for your prayers for

##### The Sick

Noah Delle Cese,  
Lawrence Lassaline,  
Rose Naty Lansang,  
Michael Steven Doyle

##### The Deceased

Rose O'Brien, Joseph Murphy,  
Erminia Bugin, Charles Priest,  
Cirilita Minoza, Nella Amato

#### New Friday Mass Times

First Friday– **7pm**  
Followed by Confessions  
All other Fridays- **8am**

Pro Populo



Welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you! We are called to see one another no longer as competitors or enemies but as brothers and sisters in the Lord. Past animosities are annihilated when we travel with repentant hearts on the levelled-out pathway that leads to the God of Love. Even lambs and wolves can get along in the Reign of Peace which God desires for us. It may seem unattainable when we look at the state of our world... even the state of our family. But it is our hope. It is our destiny. CWS

#### FLOWERS "IN MEMORIAM"

Donations toward the cost of flowers may be made "In Memory of Loved Ones" or "In Thanksgiving". Place your name and the name of your loved ones on the flower donations envelope and submit it to the office or place it in the collection basket during mass. For parishioners who have offertory envelopes, there will be a collection on **December 14/15**. For anyone not using regular offertory envelopes, they are available at the entrance of the church.



#### NATIVITY PLAY



If you still wish to participate in the **4pm** Christmas Eve Children's Play, there is room for you. We will also be posting information on the parish website. This is a great way to pick up some of those passport stamps so many of you have been asking about. Here's the link: [bit.ly/2qSjkGP](http://bit.ly/2qSjkGP).

#### PREPARING THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS

We invite you to help us prepare the church for Christmas. We need a few strong people to help us build the Manger on **Friday, December 13** during the day. On **Sunday, December 15** from **1:30pm - 4pm**, we need families to help us put up trees, lights and prepare the church for Christmas celebrations. Please call the office to confirm you are coming.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

There are still a few boxes of Christmas Cards available. Contact the parish office if you would like to purchase a set.

### Christmas - New Year Mass Schedule

**Tuesday, December 24th**

Christmas Eve

4pm, 6pm, 8pm (Bilingual), 10pm  
*(carols before the 10pm mass)*

**Wednesday, December 25th**

Christmas Day

8:30am, 10am & 12pm mass

**Thursday - Friday**

No Masses

**Saturday, December 28th**

5pm (English)  
7pm (Chinese)

**Sunday, December 29th**

8:30am, 10am & 12pm  
5pm (Spanish)

**Tuesday, December 31st**

New Year's Eve

5pm

**Wednesday, January 1st**

New Year's Day

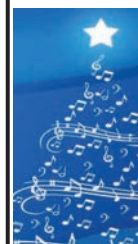
10am, 12pm

**Thursday - Friday**

Regular Mass Schedule



#### PARISH CHRISTMAS CONCERT



Take a break from the hectic pace of the season and join us on **December 22** at **7pm** for a celebration of Christ's birth in song, poetry and dance.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**



The CWL Christmas dinner is on **December 17**. Tickets; \$25.00, contact Mary Antonio at 905-717-9049. All ladies of the parish are welcome. The 2020 Membership fees are now due, these can be paid at the dinner.

**COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION SERVICE**

Please join us for our Communal Advent Reconciliation Liturgy on **Tuesday, December 10 at 7pm**. We will follow the format that was very well received in Lent. We encourage you to take advantage and accept this invitation.



**OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE  
PATRONESS OF THE AMERICAS**



St. John's Parish will be celebrating the Feast of our Lady of Guadalupe on **Thursday, December 12, 7pm** with Mass followed by a Multilingual Rosary. We are looking for people to

lead a decade of the Rosary in any of the following languages: English, French, Chinese, Spanish, Filipino, or Italian. Call the parish office to volunteer or email Fr Efren (see front of bulletin).

**DAY OF CONFESSIONS**

To return to the Lord with integrity, we benefit greatly from celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Preparation for and the celebration of Confession



allows us to set aside disruptive ways, to be renewed in heart and spirit, to be reconciled with our God who abounds with gracious, gentle tenderness. This year, the Archdiocese of Toronto will be holding a Day of Confessions in all parishes during the week of **December 15-21**. In our parish, confessions will take place on **Thursday, December 19** from **8:30am to 10am- 12pm to 1pm and 6pm to 7:30pm**.

**OFFERTORY ENVELOPES**

Offertory envelopes for **2020** are ready for pick up this weekend before and after Mass. Find the letter range of your last name so that you can find your box quickly (i.e. A-H, etc.). Stations will be located in the Stained Glass Room and the Gathering Room. 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 available at each station. If you need assistance with this, please call the office. It is important that no one uses 2019 envelopes in 2020. Any donations submitted using the wrong envelopes will be credited for the assigned year on the envelope.



**ADVENT RESOURCES**



Our new liturgical year has begun and this weekend we celebrate the second Sunday of Advent. We have posted a wealth of information and ideas on our website. There is something there for every age and personality and we will continue to add resources as we discover them.

**VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION**

At all times, but especially during busy seasons such as Advent, we are grateful for the many volunteers that keep the parish running smoothly. For the past few years, we have held a volunteer appreciation event at this time of year. We have heard from you that due to the busy-ness of this season, an alternate date would be preferable. Watch for a Mardi Gras Volunteer Appreciation event.



**PRAY FOR VOCATIONS**

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight." If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto to 416-968-0997 or email at: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) or [vocationstoronto.ca](http://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  
November 16-17  
**WEEKLY OFFERTORY**  
**\$12,209.**

November 23-24  
**WEEKLY OFFERTORY**  
**\$11,208.**

November 30-December 1  
**WEEKLY OFFERTORY**  
**\$13,558.**

**SHEPHERDS TRUST FUND**  
**\$11,379.**

**BUILDING MAINTENANCE FUND**  
**\$1,279.**

**Thank you for your  
Generosity**

**WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

Italian Social Group  
**Wednesday, December 11**  
**10am-3pm**  
St. John's Adult Choir  
**Wednesday December 11**  
**7pm-8:30pm**

**SUNDAY MISSALS 2019-2020**

Sunday Missals are available in the parish office during regular office hours. If you wish to purchase your own, the cost is \$5.00 per missal.



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