



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 8:00 am
Saturday 9:00 am

First Friday

Mass at 7pm
(followed by confessions)
No morning mass on First Friday

Reconciliation

Saturdays after 9am 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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Leo Lopez

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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.

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 — Madeleine Burke
cwl@stjohnsnewmarket.ca

Knights of Columbus

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

Presentation of the Lord

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 1
 5:00 pm Mass
 7:00 pm Mass (Chinese)
Sunday, February 2
 8:30 am Mass
 10:00 am Mass
 12:00 pm Mass

Pro Populo

5:00 pm Mass (Spanish)
 † Elisa Perdomo Bello
Tuesday, February 4
 7:00 pm Mass
 † Bart Fava
 † Mary Burns
Wednesday, February 5
 12:00 pm Mass
Thursday, February 6
 8:00 am Mass
Friday, February 7
 7:00 pm First Friday Mass
Saturday, February 8
 9:00 am Mass
 † Giuseppe Franze

Sanctuary Lamp

February 3 - February 8
 For the health of
 Ricardo & Marjorie Garay

Call the office if you wish to make an offering for your intentions.

We ask for your prayers for

The Sick

Madaleine Anta
 Maria Guadalupe Pelayo
 Julie Livingstone

The Deceased

Rocco Morra
 Mary Meade

Parish Bulletin On-line

We invite everyone to visit our website and download a copy of our parish bulletin to keep yourselves informed. If you wish to receive it via email, follow the steps and subscribe directly in our website.



Imagine what it must have been like for Simeon – at the very end of his life - to behold the Christ for whom the world was longing. His heart must have felt near bursting. But along with his joy, at seeing the light to the Gentiles and glory of Israel, Simeon also saw the suffering that would be inflicted on the hearts of those closest to Jesus. As we shine light on injustice and hatred, we, too, will see suffering, hatred and apathy that will cause us pain. However, the joy of God's promise is stronger than the swords that pierce hearts and has the power to sustain us (as it did Mary) in our work of being faithful disciples. CWS

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION



As a way of expressing our gratitude for the many hours of dedicated service that so many volunteers at St. John's contribute, we are hosting a Mardi Gras party on **Friday, February 21** in the Parish Centre. So, dig out your purple, gold and green clothing (sequins and masks optional!) and drop in anytime between **7pm** and **10pm**.

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 join us on **Thursday, February 6** from **7 pm – 8:30 pm** in the church for a Teaching Mass. Children from the sacramental programmes are especially invited, but this is open to anyone in the parish who is interested.



ADULT ALTAR SERVERS

We invite adult parishioners interested in serving at Sunday and weekday Masses, including funerals, when younger altar servers are not available. We are especially interested in retired adult men and women. If you are interested in finding out more or have questions about what is involved, please join Fr. Efen on **Saturday, February 8** at **10am** in the **Parish Centre** or contact the Parish Office.



"The native Amazonian peoples have probably never been so threatened on their own lands as they are now". (Pope Francis, Peru, January 2018) Logging, industrial farming, and mining companies are threatening the way of life and survival of indigenous Amazonian communities! Let's defend the defenders of our common home and protect the stability of the world's eco-systems by preserving the Amazon Forest. Please read the attached information booklet and sign the Development and Peace - Caritas Canada Solidarity Letter at any of the masses next weekend **February 8/9**. Your signature will allow us to call for the protection and respect of Amazonian communities' rights, and one of the world's most critical natural resources".

EARLY CATHOLIC FAMILY LIFE PROGRAM

After a year of preparation, St. John's is excited to announce that registration is open for our Early Catholic Family Life. The program will begin on **Tuesday, February 25** at **9 am—10:30 am** and run for seven weeks. The gatherings will include time for parents and young children to engage in interactive activities as well as adult discussion time. If you are interested, email Christine Way Skinner. There is lots of information about this program on our website: <http://bit.ly/2WpzeCP>.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



Our Parish Conference is looking for a volunteer experienced in creating Access Database Records and Forms to make some enhancements to our database. If you can help, please call 905-895-4264 and leave a message for Louisa including a number where we can reach you. This would only be on an as needed basis. Thank you.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

We are still collecting your pop can tabs in the bucket in the Stained Glass Room. If you are interested in joining the Knights or just want information, email: knights@stjohnsnewmarket.ca or find us on Facebook at facebook.com/KofC6643

ASH WEDNESDAY

On Ash Wednesday, Catholics throughout the world begin our forty day preparation for Easter. We acknowledge that we have been given the gift of life and that we have a responsibility to live this life in love and justice in the world. We know we often fail to do so and find ourselves instead on paths of selfishness and sin. In Lent, we admit that we cannot turn our lives around without God's grace and mercy. And so, we gather to mark our foreheads with ashes and listen to God's call to repent. Ash Wednesday Masses at St. John's will be on **February 26** at the **12pm** and again at **7pm**. Please join us!



NEW BEGINNINGS

Separated, Divorced? If you are struggling, you don't have to do this alone. Join us **March 16** at **7pm** in the Parish Centre. For information and registration email Archangelo Limanni, MRE at: alimanni@cfstoronto.com or call 416-921-1163 ext. 2225.



MARRIAGE SUNDAY

Next weekend, **February 9**, at **3pm** Cardinal Collins will preside at a Mass to honour couples celebrating milestone anniversaries of 25, 40, 50 or 60+ years in 2020. This will take place at St. Isaac Jogues Parish followed by a reception. Seating is limited so please register at 416-934-3400 X 523 or www.archtoronto.org/marriage



OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Parishioners who have not picked up their **2020** Offertory envelopes, please drop by the Parish Office where a new envelope number will be assigned to you. **Please destroy your 2019 envelopes.** It is important that no one uses 2019 envelopes in 2020. If you are presently donating by Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) or Credit Card (CC) and no longer need to use a full box of envelopes, please call the accounting office for options. Parishioners who would like to use PAG or CC donating methods are asked to visit or call the parish office for assistance.



ST. JOHN'S

LITTLE RELIGIOUS GOODS SHOP

Next weekend, **February 8/9** we will be offering religious items for sale at all weekend Masses in the Stained Glass Room. Included this time will be some Lenten prayer resources as well as gifts for sacramental celebrations. All proceeds will go directly to the parish. Thank you for your support.



**All the darkness in the world
cannot extinguish
the light of one candle.
St. Francis of Assisi**

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

"Jesus did not come to help Angels, but the descendants of Abraham" If you think God is calling you, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 or email: vocations@archtoronto.org or vocationstoronto.ca



**FIRST ANNIVERSARY
SPANISH MASS**

This February will be the first anniversary of the Spanish language Mass at St. John's. It has been a joy to see how this community has begun to flourish. To celebrate, there will be a fiesta in the Parish Hall on **Sunday, February 16** after the **5pm** Mass. All are welcome.

OUR OFFERTORY COLLECTION

In order to meet the operating expenses of the parish, we need a Weekly Average collection of:
\$13,320.
January 25-26 Collection
\$12,608.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

St. John's Adult Choir
**Wednesday, February 5
7:00pm-8:30pm**
Italian Social Group
**Wednesday, February 5
10:00am-3:00pm**
Prayer Group
**Wednesday, February 5
7:00pm-9:00pm**
Hatha Yoga Class
**Monday, February 3
2:00pm-3:30pm**
Registration is now closed

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