



# St. John Chrysostom

Roman Catholic Church - Established 1841

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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

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

### Deacons

Gary Johnson  
deacon.gary@stjohnsnewmarket.ca

Don McMillan

deacon.don@stjohnsnewmarket.ca

### Lay Pastoral Associate

Christine Way Skinner  
cwayskinner@stjohnsnewmarket.ca

## Parish Staff

### Main Office

Louisa Steele  
Office Administrator

Joan Turco | Mirella Lupo

Brenda O'Donnell  
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### Accounting

Maria De Ruyte  
accountant@stjohnsnewmarket.ca

### Property Management

Dan Christante - Manager  
property@stjohnsnewmarket.ca

### Custodian

Leo Lopez

### St. John's Cemetery

Don Smart  
cemetery@stjohnsnewmarket.ca  
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 — Madeleine Burke  
[cwl@stjohnsnewmarket.ca](mailto:cwl@stjohnsnewmarket.ca)

## Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight — Dean Yeats  
[facebook.com/kofc6643](https://facebook.com/kofc6643)  
[knights@stjohnsnewmarket.ca](mailto: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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Sacred Heart H.S. 905-895-3340  
Chaplain: Erica Gismondi  
Trustee: Theresa McNicol 905-898-2210

## Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Mass Intentions

**Saturday, February 8**

5:00 pm Mass

7:00 pm Mass (Chinese)

**Sunday, February 9**

8:30 am Mass

10:00 am Mass

12:00 pm Mass

5:00 pm Mass (Spanish)

**Tuesday, February 11**

7:00 pm Mass

† Mary Meade

† Francesco Galluzzo

**Wednesday, February 12**

12:00 pm Mass

† Joe Bergin

† Mary Meade

**Thursday, February 13**

8:00 am Mass

† Mary Meade

**Friday, February 14**

8:00 am Mass

**Saturday, February 15**

9:00 am Mass

† Craig Boland

† Mike Boland

#### Sanctuary Lamp

**February 10 - February 15**

The repose of the souls of  
Leonardo & Patricia Kereliek

#### We ask for your prayers for The Sick

Madaleine Anta

Maria Guadalupe Pelayo

Julie Livingstone

Judy Soltz

Citas Elvina

#### The Deceased

Rocco Morra

Mary Meade

Charles Henry Macoun

#### 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.



We are called to be salt and light to the world. What does that look like? Certainly not like self-righteousness - declaring to others that we have something that they don't have. Salt brings out the flavour that is already in a food. Light allows us to see what was already present but invisible in darkness. We do not bring the Gospel to the world as know-it-alls - not with lofty words and wisdom, but by humbly serving those in need, loosing the bonds of injustice and oppression. It is then that God's power and constant presence in our world is revealed. CWS

Pro Populo

#### 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**.

#### DEVELOPMENT & PEACE, CANADA



"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. This weekend, **February 8/9**, you are invited to sign the Development and Peace - Caritas Canada Solidarity Letter at any of the masses. 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".

#### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE



Our next general meeting will be held on **February 18** after the **7pm** Mass.

#### 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](mailto:knights@stjohnsnewmarket.ca) or find us on Facebook at [facebook.com/KofC6643](https://www.facebook.com/KofC6643)



#### 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.




#### 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](mailto:alimanni@cfstoronto.com) or call 416-921-1163 ext. 2225.

**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!

**FROM THE ACCOUNTING OFFICE**



Beginning next weekend, tax receipts will be available at the entrance of the church for two weekends only, **February 15-16** and **February 22-23**, and available in the parish office Monday through Saturday during regular office hours until **February 28**-the deadline date set by the government for mailing out tax receipts. Please make every effort to pick up your tax receipt so

that we can save money that would otherwise be spent on postage.

**LENTEN RETREAT**

Sacred Heart Catholic Church in King City will offer a Lenten Retreat on **March 1-4** from **7pm -8:15pm**. Facilitator: Fr. Michael Sullivan. Information: 905-833-1161

*Married Couples Prayer*

Father of life and love,  
 You created us in your image –  
 woman and man.  
 We rejoice and thank you  
 for the gift of each other.  
 Sustain us in our love  
 and lead us to a deeper understanding  
 of your love.  
 Jesus, we come before you,  
 seeking your guidance and direction  
 in our relationship.  
 In marriage you call and challenge us to a  
 permanent, exclusive  
 and sacred friendship.  
 Be our strength and support,  
 therefore, as we continue  
 this journey together.  
 Holy Spirit, help us to strive towards  
 a lasting, honest commitment  
 united in love.  
 Give us your strength  
 to carry each other  
 in times of darkness,  
 your joy in times of happiness,  
 and your gift of awe in the uniqueness  
 and sacredness of each other.  
 May our love be a reflection  
 and a sign of your love in the world.  
 Amen

**PRAY FOR VOCATIONS**

"You are the light of the world." Are you willing to let your light shine as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? 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](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) or [vocationstoronto.ca](http://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.**  
 February 1-2 Collection  
**\$12,879.**

**WORLD DAY OF THE SICK**



Begun in 1992 by St. Pope John Paul II and celebrated each year on **February 11**, Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes, this is the 28th World Day of the Sick. For resources such as the Pope's Message for 2020, visit Care for the Sick website at: [www.archtoronto.org/sick](http://www.archtoronto.org/sick) The theme this year is: *You received without payment; give without payment* (Matthew 10:8)

In cases where there is an urgent need for a priest at the hospital, the Archdiocese has implemented a system which ensures that those who need the Sacrament of the Sick are able to get it in a timely fashion. If you are in urgent need of a priest, do not call the priest directly. Rather, speak to the nurse on duty. The nurse will speak to the hospital Chaplain or contact the person in charge. All the priests in the area take turns being on call. They are assigned a 24-hour pager through which they can be contacted immediately. Often, valuable time is wasted with families trying to get in touch with a specific priest. This puts our loved one in danger of not receiving the Sacrament of the Sick. We appreciate you following this protocol in helping us serve those who are ill and in urgent need of the Sacrament of the Sick.

**WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

St. John's Adult Choir  
**Wednesday, February 12**  
**7:00pm-8:30pm**  
 Italian Social Group  
**Wednesday, February 12**  
**10:00am-3:00pm**  
 Prayer Group  
**Wednesday, February 12**  
**7:00pm-9:00pm**  
 Hatha Yoga Class  
**Monday, February 10**  
**2:00pm-3:30pm**  
*Registration is now closed*

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