

# St. John Chrysostom

Roman Catholic Church - Established 1841

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#### Weekend Masses

live streamed only
Saturday Vigil
5:00 pm
Sunday
9:00 am &
12:00 pm (Spanish)

#### Weekday Masses

live streamed only

Tuesday	7:00 pm
Wednesday	12 noon
Thursday	9:00 am
Friday	9:00 am

# **Communion Services**

live streamed only

Monday & Saturday 9:00 am Exposition Friday (after service)

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Monday through Friday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Saturday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Please call to make an appointment.

Most of the activities listed below have been put on hold or have been adapted to observe COVID-19 regulations. Please contact the parish office if the contact information below does not provide you with the communication you need.

Thank you for your patience.

# **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 the parish office a minimum of three months before the desired date of Baptism.

# First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, Confirmation & Christian Initiation-RCIA

Adults wishing to become Catholic, please contact the parish office and ask to speak to the Pastor.

# Marriage

Contact the parish office at least one year in advance of 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.

# Children's Liturgy of the Word

Postponed until further notice.

# **Visiting Ministry**

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

# Volunteer Screening

screening.stjc@gmail.com

# Catholic Women's League

President – Madeleine Burke cwl@stjohnsnewmarket.ca

# **Knights of Columbus**

Grand Knight – Vince Scarfone 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

#### Catholic Schools

 Canadian Martyrs
 905-895-8530

 Notre Dame
 905-895-5001

 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, January 23

5:00 pm Mass

♦ Pro-populo

# Sunday, January 24

9:00 am Mass

♦ Pro-populo

12:00 pm (Spanish)

# Tuesday, January 26

7:00 pm Mass

† Ferdinando Carcillo

† Silvestro Gismondi

# Wednesday, January 27

12:00 pm Mass

† Ronald Neeshaw

# Thursday, January 28

9:00 am Mass

† John Legere

# Friday, January 29

9:00 am Mass

† Regina Lazarek

# SANCTUARY LAMP **January 25-30**

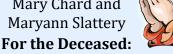
The Vigil Lamp burns In Thanksgiving by Joanne Ennamorato

Requests can be submitted to the parish office or via email

# **WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS**

For the Sick:

Mary Chard and Maryann Slattery



Joan Mellon, Ermelinda Vigliotta, and Silvestro Gismondi

Note: Names 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.



Today's readings focus on the very essence of our faith: God's kingdom is at hand, and the time for us to repent and follow the Gospel is now. God's invitation is always before us in an "eternal now." This invitation may be the most consistent thing in our lives. The opportunity for something completely new, if we will respond to it, is now. Our God is, indeed, a relentless pursuer!

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



The Knights of Columbus provides an opportunity for Catholic men 18 years

and older to become better Catholic men through helping others and sharing their Catholic faith. If you are interested in joining the Knights or need information, please email or find us on Facebook. Fellow Knights, the council membership dues for 2021 are due. Please send the \$45 payment by mail to: Knights of Columbus Council 6643 432 Ontario Street, Newmarket Ontario, L3Y 2K4.

#### PRIVATE PRAYER

St. John's will continue to be open for Private Prayer and Eucharistic Adoration. Registration is mandatory and limited to 10 parishioners per hour.



Our schedule is: Mondays and Wednesdays 3pm to 7pm and Fridays 10am to 7pm. Register online or call the parish office to book your visit.

# **HOLY COMMUNION SERVICES**



Parishioners are invited to register online through Eventbrite, or call

the parish office to register for a Communion Service. This is not an invitation to attend a regular scheduled weekend Mass, but rather an invitation to attend a Communion Service ONLY. You

must be willing to adhere to the following rules.

- Register online or call the parish office.
- Maximum of **9** people per Communion Service.
- Seating will not be available.
- Washrooms will not be available.
- Only people on the Registration list will be allowed entry.
- Walk-ins' will not be allowed.

Saturday **January 23, 30** February 6, 13

3:00pm, 3:20pm, 3:40pm, 4:00pm, 4:20pm, 6:20pm, 6:40pm, 7:00pm.

> Sunday **January 24, 31** February 7, 14

10:20am, 10:40am, 11:00am, 11:20am, 1:20pm, 1:40pm, 2:00pm.

#### **CONFESSION SCHEDULE**



The sacrament of reconciliation is available to all parishioners by appointment only.

the parish office to book your appointment.

# OFFICE OF THE CARDINAL

The Episcopal Ordination of Bishopdesignate Fr. Ivan Ca-

milleri named as an Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of To-

# **Sacramental Preparation Programs**

# **FIRST COMMUNION 2021**

We are pleased to inform all anxious parents that we are prepared to start the Registration process for the 2021 First Communion Program. Therefore, we ask that you begin by emailing or calling the

parish office to make your request for an online Pre-Registration Form. All requests will be responded to promptly and further details will be given at that time. We ask for both your patience and ability to adhere to the limitations this pandemic has brought upon us.

Contact us at: 905-898-4137 or email: parish.office@stjohnsnewmarket.ca

#### **CONFIRMATION 2021**

It is time to begin the process to register those children who are ready to be prepared for the reception of Confirmation. To begin this process, we in-

vite parents to email or call the parish office and make the request for an online Confirmation Pre-Registration Form. All requests will be responded to promptly and further details will be given at that time. We ask for both your patience and ability to adhere to the limitations this pandemic has brought upon us.

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ronto will take place on Monday, **January 25** at **2pm** at St. Michaels Cathedral Basilica in Toronto. To join us virtually, please visit:

www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live

# FRATELLI TUTTI FRATERNITY AND SOCIAL FRIENDSHIP

"More than ever, in this time of uncertainty and pandemic, it is important to pray for each other, and to put our trust in the Lord. Let us pray that the Lord may give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open ourselves to all". *Pope Francis.* Register for online panel discussion with Muslim and Catholic speakers. **January 28, 4pm-5:30pm**.

#### FRIAR'S STUDENT WRITING CONTEST

Students ages 14-18 are invited to participate. Prizes include, First place: Lenovo Idea Pad 3 Laptop. Submission deadline, **February 15.** Contest rules and resources contact:

www.catholic register.org/writingaward

#### MARRIAGE PREP COURSES

Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, invites engaged couples to call or email for details on their **2021** course programs. Contact: 905-278-5229



#### WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

In 1997, Pope Saint John Paul II instituted a day of prayer for women and men in consecrated life. This celebration is attached to the Feast of

the Presentation of the Lord on February 2nd. This Feast is also known as Candlemas Day; the day on which candles are blessed symbolizing Christ who is the light of the world. So too, those in consecrated life are called to reflect the light of Jesus Christ to all peoples. World Day for Consecrated Life is celebrated on February 2nd however, it is observed in parishes on the Sunday after February 2nd. In 2021, this day will be celebrated in parishes **February 6-7**.

#### **VOCATIONS**

The call of the disciples is so familiar to us that we tend to miss the wonder of the disciples' response, which was immediate and complete; they leave everything and follow Jesus. Can we do less if we feel that God is calling us to the priesthood, religious life or deaconate? If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation call: Fr. Matt McCarthy

416-968-0997 vocations@archtoronto.org or vocationstoronto.ca

#### **STEWARDSHIP** FISHING FOR CHRIST



As Jesus calls apostles. the He uses their own language inviting bv

them to be "fishers of people." There is a deep spiritual insight that can be gleaned from this, namely, that Christ uses what we bring to the table to serve Him and the Church. This is the heart of stewardship, so let us reflect on our own gifts and graciously heed the call of Christ to become "fishers of people," each in our own way.

#### **OUR OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Collection received on January 16-17

# **Weekly Offertory**

\$ 6,839.

Thank you For your generosity

"We make a LIVING by what we get But we make a LIFE by WHAT WE GIVE"-Winston Churchill

#### STAYNG CONNECTED



Although the Parish Office is currently closed, we

would like you to know that we are all still working from home. The parish office will continue to receive and respond to incoming calls and emails daily.

#### FROM THE ACCOUNTING OFFICE



Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, vour **2020** donation tax receipts will be mailed out to you.

We ask you to please notify the Accounting office by email or by phone at ext. 206 if you have your contact changed information.

#### **OFFERTORY ENVELOPES**

Offertory envelopes for 2021 are available at the entrance of the church or call the Parish Office to arrange to pick up a box. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we will not be assigning the numbered boxes as in previous years but encourage you to pick up a regular box of envelops for your own use. Please consider donating by Pre-Authorized Giving or Credit Card. Call the Accounting office at ext. 206 for more information on these methods of making your donation. PAG and Credit Card donors are encouraged to pick up a regular box of envelopes to use for special collections.

A few things to remember before you start using the 2021 envelopes:

- Use only 2021 envelopes for vour donations.
- Do not use your old envelopes from previous years, please destroy them as those numbers will be used by someone else.
- Fill in your name and address on each envelope for the first month when you start using your 2021 box of envelopes.
- The number on your box of envelopes is designated for

- your use only.
- Please do not give your envelopes to anyone else outside of your household.

# THE IMPORTANCE OF REGISTERING IN YOUR PARISH

Registering in your parish is an important first step to becoming an active member in the local



church community. Registration brings with it tangible benefits that can help a person become more fully engaged in the local church and may help immigrants in future immigration law-related matters. Please note that parish and diocesan leadership will not share the registration information with anyone and it is completely confidential. The benefits include:

- Establishes evidence of presence
- Provides proof of sacramental participation
- Demonstrates community involve-
- ♦ Demonstrates financial commitment
- Empowers the Pastor to support vou when recommendations are needed
- Provides you with a Tax-Receipt
- Allows us to plan for the parish's needs in all aspects
- To register, call the parish office.

#### Moving?



When you move, please remember to let us know so that we can update our files. Also, if you are

new to our parish, please register with us by calling or emailing the parish office.

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#### **Letter from Cardinal Thomas Collins**



January 19, 2021

Dear faithful of the Archdiocese of Toronto,

I pray you and your loved ones are safe as we navigate these challenging days in the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic.

I also express my gratitude to our clergy and parish volunteers who have been doing so much to sustain the spiritual lives of parishioners across the archdiocese and who have ensured our churches are a safe gathering place for the faithful.

Once again, our communal life of faith has been restricted because of the requirement to follow the strict health directives.

Last week, Premier Ford announced that the Province of Ontario would enter a state of emergency effective Thursday, January 14th, in an effort to address the increasing number of positive Covid-19 cases in the province.

In light of this announcement and other developments I would like to provide an update covering a number of important topics.

#### **Sacramental Celebrations**

The latest provincial restrictions do not have an impact on the current limit of 10 persons (including celebrant and those assisting with ministry) present inside a place of worship at any time. The current 'lockdown' measures relating to places of worship have been extended by the province until at least Thursday, February 11, 2021.

The province also instituted a 'stay-at-home order,' asking people to remain at home wherever possible, going outside of the home only for essential activities. These include shopping for groceries, medical appointments, exercise, etc.

It is our firm belief that spiritual sustenance is essential for the mental, spiritual and physical well-being of the faithful and the church offers essential support for many who are isolated or vulnerable. During this period of pandemic, churches in the archdiocese continue to offer livestream services and other creative outreach ministries for which I am most grateful. Our churches, where they are able to do so safely, may continue to remain open for private prayer and, where feasible, to offer Holy Communion Services on weekends. Participation is limited to no more than 10 people inside the church at any given time.

At present, weddings and funerals are also limited to no more than 10 persons, including those presiding and assisting with the liturgy.

I further affirm that the faithful are dispensed from their Sunday obligation and that those who are symptomatic, have a compromised immune system or are at a greater risk of infection, should remain home.

#### **News from the Archdiocese**

# Covid-19 Vaccine

We pray that the vaccination process that has recently commenced in Canada and around the world will greatly contribute to a swift end to the pandemic. We long for the day where, once again, we may return, without restrictions, to full and active participation in the Eucharist, the source and summit of our spiritual journey.

I encourage Catholics in the Archdiocese of Toronto to be vaccinated at the appropriate time, given the distribution plans outlined by the relevant authorities.

There have also been extensive discussions regarding the ethics of vaccine production and use for Catholics. In recommending Catholics be vaccinated as appropriate, we are guided by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith and the Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute. Additional resources will soon be shared with clergy.

# **Preparation for Lent**

In the coming days, I will be meeting with clergy to receive feedback on the current pastoral situation and to discuss how best to care for the faithful during the upcoming season of Lent. Further updates will be forthcoming.

# **Let Us Pray Together**

Thank you for your steadfast faith and ongoing prayers during these very challenging days. I ask you especially to keep close in prayer the many elderly and vulnerable people who have succumbed to the Covid-19 virus, those who are sick and those who care for them.

I recognize that the current restrictions are incredibly frustrating for all of us. Out of love for one another, we must make every effort to combat this deadly pandemic that has taken the lives of so many, both here at home and around the world.

May God continue to bless you now and always.

Sincerely in Christ,

+ Thomas Card. Colling

Thomas Cardinal Collins Archbishop of Toronto