



# 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 Mass)

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**Office Hours:** 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](mailto: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](mailto:screening.stjc@gmail.com)

## Catholic Women's League

President—Madeleine Burke

[cwl@stjohnsnewmarket.ca](mailto:cwl@stjohnsnewmarket.ca)

## Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight—Vince Scarfone

[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

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

## Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

### Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, February 13

5:00 pm Mass

♦ **Pro-populo**

#### Sunday, February 14

9:00 am Mass

♦ **Pro-populo**

12:00 pm (Spanish)

† Hilda Lembcke

#### Tuesday, February 16

7:00 pm Mass

† Sik Chiu Hui

† Rev. Robert Morrissey

#### Wednesday, February 17

##### Ash Wednesday

9:00 am Mass

12:00 pm Mass } ♦ **Pro-Populo**

7:00 pm Mass

#### Thursday, February 18

9:00 am Mass

† Marcel Strobbe

♦ Justin Panganiban  
Halifax

#### Friday, February 19

9:00 am Mass

♦ Justin Panganiban  
Halifax

#### SANCTUARY LAMP February 15-20

For the Intentions of our  
**Parish Community**

#### WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS

##### For the Sick:

Jack Follows

Marie Dumas

Maryann Slattery and  
Joseph Panganiban Halifax

##### For the Deceased:

Marcel Strobbe

Theresa Peets

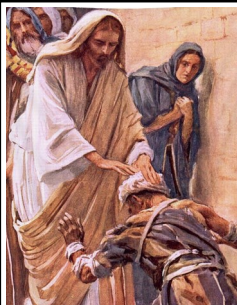
Anne Marie Klinoski

María Guadalupe Pelayo,

Maria Mandjke

Marta Ternenyova,  
and

Silvestro Gismondi



The message in the Scriptures for this Sunday contains the Christian teaching on the need for social acceptance even when people are different from us. They also tell us that it is purity or holiness of soul coming from God that cleanses our lives. Today's gospel describes how Jesus heals a leper, liberating him both from the disease of leprosy and from the unjust and inhuman social isolation and ostracism to which the lepers were subjected.

#### ASH WEDNESDAY

##### COOMUNION SERVICE & ASHES



Throughout the day of **Ash Wednesday** and on **Thursday February 18**

we invite you to register to receive ashes and Holy Communion. This is not an opportunity to attend a Mass. The full WorshipSafe protocols must be observed at all times and no more than 10 people including the celebrant may be present inside the church. Masks must be worn at all times while in the church/arrive on time/once the service begins, the church doors will be closed/seating and washrooms will not be available. Please register for one of the following Holy Communion Services including the distribution of ashes.

#### Wednesday, February 17

10:20am, 10:40am, 11:00am,  
11:20am, 1:20pm, 1:40pm,  
2:00pm, 2:20pm, 2:40pm,  
3:00pm, 3:20pm, 3:40pm,  
4:00pm, 4:20pm, 4:40pm,  
5:00pm, 5:20pm, 5:40pm,  
6:00pm and 6:20pm

#### Thursday, February 18

10:20am, 10:40am, 11:00am,  
11:20am, 11:40pm, 1:20pm,  
1:40pm, 2:00pm, 2:20pm,  
2:40pm, 3:00pm, 3:20pm,  
3:40pm, 4:00pm, 4:20pm,  
4:40pm, 5:00pm, 5:20pm,  
5:40pm, and 6:00 pm

#### ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES



Ashes are a symbol of repentance. They remind us of our own mortality and our limitedness as creatures. With ashes we remember how much we are in need of God's grace and mercy and how much we need to come back to the ways of our loving God. The current pandemic restrictions will force us once again to fast from many Lenten traditions and we offer these sacrifices in addition to our prayers for those who are sick and those who have died, as part of our Lenten journey. Our Ash Wednesday Masses will be available: **livestream only.:**

**9am- English- 12pm- English  
7pm- Spanish**

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Join us via Live Stream or in person for the Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at **7pm** starting **Friday, February 19, - Friday, March 26**. For in person, registration is mandatory, as only 10 people are allowed in the church in accordance with Covid-19 lockdown restrictions. Please observe all Covid-19 protocols and restrictions. Masks must be worn at all times while in the church and must cover your nose and mouth. Once the service begins, the church doors will be



closed. Late-comers will not be permitted into the building. Please arrive on time. Call the parish office at 905-898-4137 or register online using Eventbrite.



## LENT

### IMPORTANT TO KNOW:

Lent is the yearly celebration by the Church of its conversion as a whole in Jesus Christ. During Lent, the liturgy prepares catechumens (unbaptized adults) to celebrate the Paschal Mystery by the various stages of Christian Initiation. It also prepares the us for Easter as we recall our baptism and do penance in preparation for the greatest Feast of the year.

Lent has two major purposes: It recalls or prepares for Baptism, and emphasizes a spirit of penance. Through forty day of closer attention to God's Word and of more fervent prayer, believers are prepared to celebrate the Paschal Mystery. Lenten instructions stress these baptismal and penitential themes.

During Lent, it is important to remember the social consequence of sin as well as the fact that the heart of the virtue of penance is hatred of sin as an offence against God.

The Church encourages penitential practices that are external and social, as we pray and do penance for sinners. Some of those practices are: Prayer, Fasting and Abstinence.

**Fasting and Abstinence** are valuable practices to help us in our conversion, which leads us to charity towards our neighbour. All Christians are bound to practice abstinence and fasting. **Ash Wednesday and Good Friday** are days of fasting and abstinence. All Fridays of the year are days of abstinence. Fasting means that we have one simple meal during the day. Abstinence means that we do not eat *meat* on that day. Abstinence is for those who are 14 years of age or older and fasting is for those from 18 to 59 years of age.

### MARRIAGE SUNDAY

Let us continue to pray for married couples and those who support them on their journey. We congratulate both John and Susanna Lubowitz on the 40th wedding anniversary and Joseph and Gloria Froio on their 25th wedding anniversary.



### FAMILY DAY MONDAY



Monday, **February 15** is Family Day. The parish office will be closed. In the event of an emergency, please use extension 306. We wish everyone a safe long weekend. The church will remain open for those registered for private prayer.

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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.



## VOCATIONS



Today's Gospel says that "Jesus was moved with pity when He saw a leper". Are you moved with love and compassion when you see the outcasts of today's society? Today, Jesus continues to call forward men and women to minister as he did. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon call: Fr. Matt McCarthy at 416-968-0997 or visit us at : [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

### 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

## OUR OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Collection received on  
February 6-7

### Weekly Offertory

**\$ 9,162.**

### Maintenance Fund Collection

**\$ 560.**

Thank you for funding the operation and ministries upon which our community depends.



## STEWARDSHIP

### Jesus Cleanses a Leper

In today's second reading St. Paul says that "whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God." As stewards, we can glorify God through our work by realizing that our daily tasks can be the sacrifices we offer up to God. Therefore, let us strive to intentionally say a prayer every morning asking God to help us glorify Him throughout our day.



## INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, your 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 changed your contact 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 envelopes 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

### Use only 2021 envelopes for your 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.

## COMMUNION SERVICES

**Saturday, February 13, 20, 27**

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

**Sunday, February 14, 21, 28**

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

This is an invitation to attend a Communion Service ONLY. Call the parish office or register online using Eventbrite.

## New Beginnings

### Online Drop-In Sessions

Bereavement Support starting Wednesday, **February 24-at 7pm** -register and information at:

<https://bit.ly/3qdqLSH>

Online Drop-In Support Group for Separated/Divorced will be starting on Thursday, **February 25-7pm**-register and information at:

<https://bit.ly/3qg7MGV>

*New Beginnings is a ministry dedicated to those who have suffered a loss through separation, divorce or the death of a loved one.*

## VIRTUAL "COME AND SEE WEEKEND"



If you are curious about religious life, join the Daughters of St. Paul on Sunday, **February 21-3:30pm - 7pm**. Begin your Lenten journey with an evening of reflection, livestreamed Eucharist and Adoration, evening prayer and Q&A about vocational discernment and religious life. Open to single women aged 18-33. Contact Sr. Amanda at:

[toronto@paulinemediacom](mailto:toronto@paulinemediacom)

## DAUGHTERS OF ST. PAUL

The Daughters of St. Paul are an international congregation of women religious founded in 1915 by Blessed James Alberione with the mission to give Christ to the world in the spirit of St. Paul, through every possible form of communications. For information about their life and mission visit:

[vocations.daughtersofstpaul.com](http://vocations.daughtersofstpaul.com)



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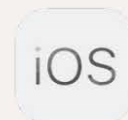
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## Letter from Cardinal Thomas Collins



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.

### **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

## News from the Archdiocese

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. Collins*

Thomas Cardinal Collins

Archbishop of Toronto

### Email Impersonation Scam Targets Our Parishioners

In recent days, the Archdiocese of Toronto has been made aware of suspicious emails supposedly being sent by our clergy and staff. These emails attempt to start an online conversation or they have a suspicious document attached to the message. **These emails are not from the Archdiocese of Toronto.** Online fraudsters are impersonating members of the archdiocese, so we ask you to be on the lookout for online security threats. To minimize your risk while this fraud campaign continues, it is helpful to look at the sender's information to determine whether an email is legitimate or not. The fraudster is using other email services to impersonate archdiocesan clergy and employees. For instance, the name in the "from" line will seem familiar, but the email address will not be that person's usual account. Or the "from" line will list a familiar person's regular email address (instead of their name), but if you try to reply to the message, the sender's actual email address will be another address entirely. If the sender information seems odd or if the message is out of character for the sender, do not reply to the message or download any of its attachments. Please report the email to the sender at a known email address or by phoning them. The following blog post was published on the Archdiocese of Toronto's website last week, which we encourage everyone to view: <http://bit.ly/AoTemailsafety>.

