

# St. John Chrysostom

Roman Catholic Church - Established 1841

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#### Weekend Masses

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

## **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, February 20

5:00 pm Mass

♦ Pro-populo

## Sunday, February 21

9:00 am Mass

- ♦ Pro-populo
- 12:00 pm (Spanish)
- † Eugenio Falla

## Tuesday, February 23

7:00 pm Mass

- ₱ Miriam Hubbard
- Justin Panganiban Halifax

## Wednesday, February 24

12:00 pm Mass

- † Amelita Coroza Lopez
- Justin Panganiban Halifax

## Thursday, February 25

9:00 am Mass

- ♦ Anne Allen
- Justin Panganiban Halifax

#### Friday, February 26

9:00 am Mass

- ♣ Silvestro Gismondi
- † Maxwell & Ruth Broughton

**SANCTUARY LAMP February 22-27** 

For the Intentions of **Vero Po and Family** 



## WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS For the Sick:

Bernard Kuiack Jack Follows Marie Dumas and Justin Panganiban Halifax

For the Deceased:

Anne Marie Klinoski Marcel Strobbe

> Theresa Peets Maria Mandjke



As we read the account of Jesus' temptation in the desert, we should realize that we too have to fight temptations. When temptations come our way, we must intentionally distance ourselves from the source of temptation and pray for strength. This Lent let us begin to run away from occasions of sin and fill ourselves with good things from God instead which will slowly help us grow in holiness.

#### **COVID-19 PANDEMIC UPDATE**

As of Monday, February 22, 2021, York Region will return to the Covid-19 Response



Covid-19 Response Framework and will be placed in the Red (Control) Zone. A reminder that Red Zone restrictions for places of worship are as follows: 30% capacity (observing social distancing) for liturgical and sacramental celebrations (Mass, Weddings, Funerals, Reconciliation). Parish Offices with limited operating hours (1-2 days/week maximum), only essential visitors by appointment only. Office staff will continue to work from home where possible. While we apologize for the confusion, we want to ensure we can maximize capacity at mass wherever possible. For now, our weekend and weekday mass schedule will remain as is and we ask everyone to adhere to the rules and guidelines that are outlined weekly in our bulletins and on our parish website. Please review the Worship Safe Guidelines. Thank you for your support during this time of pandemic.

#### **WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

Listed on the bulletin cover page
Registration is not required, however, we ask that you **keep a log at home** of the weekday masses you are currently attending. Worship Safe Guidelines will be observed.

#### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Beginning next weekend, **February 27-28** we resume our weekend Mass schedule and invite parishioners to register online or call the parish office to register for the mass you would like to attend. The weekend mass schedule is listed on the cover page of the bulletin. Worship Safe Guidelines will be observed.

This will be **the last weekend** we will be celebrating Communion Services on Saturdays and Sundays.

#### WORSHIP SAFE GUIDELINES

The Eventbrite link to register is on the parish website. Click on: "Register for Mass" and complete the registration.

- ◆ Each person in your household, who will be attending needs to be registered individually.
- ◆ Registration does not apply to the weekend Spanish Mass.
- ♦ Capacity remains at 30%
- ◆ Registration is required for the celebrations of Solemnity and Feast Days.
- ◆ If you do not have access to the internet, please call the office, before 5 pm on Thursdays and we will register for you.
- ◆ There is absolutely **no singing** other than by the cantor. Singing potentially spreads airborne contagion a distance of 10 feet. **Please do not sing.**
- ♦ Everyone must continue to wear a face mask when inside the church.



Masks must be in place when receiving the host and not removed till 6 feet away from the priest or deacon.

- ◆ The host must be consumed before you return to your seat.
- ♦ Do not carry the host to your pew or outside of the church.
- ◆ Volunteers are not required to register as they will not be occupying the pews.
- ♦ We ask parishioners to selfassess before coming to all masses. Simply copy and paste the link below, into your browser, for complete self-assessment information.

https://covid-19.ontario.ca/self-assessment/

- ◆ For your safety, washrooms are closed till further notice.
- arrive 30 minutes or more before mass begins so our volunteers have time to welcome, screen and direct you to your seat.
- doors will be locked when mass starts and you will have to register for another mass if you arrive late.
- ◆ Anyone with mobility issues will be moved to the front of the line and seated in designated pews.
- Seating is not optional and will be assigned. Parishioners are asked to remain in the seat assigned to them to respect the safety of others.



# 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.

#### **VOCATIONS**

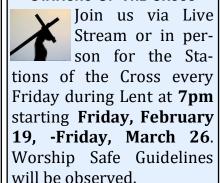
Lent: the springtime of the soul…is a time to make a new covenant with God, develop new signs of our relationship with our Cre-



ator. Go into your own desert and discover what God is asking of you. 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

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS



#### PRIVATE PRAYER

Fridays **1 pm** to **7 pm**. Call, email the parish office or register online through Eventbrite on our parish website.



## FIRST COMMUNION CONFIRMATION

Registration is now closed for the Spring 2021 programs.

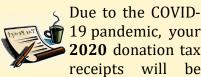
Please follow us on our Parish Website, bulletin and at weekend and weekday Masses for updates on the programs beginning in the Fall of 2021.

#### **OUR OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Collection received on February 13-14

**Weekly Offertory** \$ 8, 362.

#### **INCOME TAX RECEIPTS**



mailed out to you. Please notify the Accounting Office by email or by phone at ext. 206 if you have changed vour contact information.

#### **STEWARDSHIP** FIGHTING TEMPTATIONS

**During this First** Sunday of Lent we hear the account of Iesus's temptation in the wilder-

ness. Facing temptations is a part of life. St. Anthony the Great says to "Expect temptation vour last breath." Each time we face a temptation we have the choice of whether we follow Christ or turn away from Him. We should ask ourselves: how hard do we fight to resist temptations?

#### **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

## 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 enve-

lopes to anyone else outside of vour household.

#### WOULD YOU LIKE TO VOLUNTEER?

As we return to 30% capacity, we need more screening and seating volunteers for the weekday masses. Please contact the parish office to volunteer, especially if you regularly attend any weekday masses, (must be 18+).



#### **DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE** SHARE LOVE-SHARE LENT

Weekly Virtual Events,

Week. 1: February 20-1pm. Our Mission & Values-World Day

of Social Justice

Week. 2 February 27-11am. Humanitarian Aid

Week 3: **March 2-7pm**. Long Term Development

Contact: elukasik@devp.org

## **New Beginnings Online Drop-In Sessions**



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

https://bit.ly/3qg7MGV

#### SHARELIFE IMPACT REPORT

So many of our parishioners gave generously to the ShareLife Campaign in 2020, despite COVID-19 forcing the cancellation of masses for much of the year. The difference you've made through your gift is detailed in ShareLife's 2020 Impact Report. From ShareLife mental health services, to support for seniors, to assistance for young mothers: the report includes inspiring stories of real people you've helped during the pandemic. The 2020 edition adopts a new interactive format, providing a fresh, engaging way to learn about the work of Share-Life and Catholic Charities agencies. To view the interactive report online, visit sharelife.org/ impact. To request a printed copy, take a moment and email: slife@archtoronto.org. Thank you for living the Gospel!

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