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Weekend Masses

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

(available live streamed)

Weekday Masses

Tuesday 7:00 pm Wednesday 12 noon Thursday 9:00 am Friday 9:00 am (available live streamed)

Communion Services

live streamed only

Monday & Saturday 9:00 am **Exposition** Friday

(1pm to 7pm)

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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 vou 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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Trustee: Theresa McNicol 905-898-2210

Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 27

5:00 pm Mass

♦ Pro-populo

Sunday, March 28

9:00 am Mass

- ♦ Pro-populo
- 11:00 am Mass
- ♦ Pro-populo

1:00 pm (Spanish)

Tuesday, March 30

7:00 pm Mass

- ✝ Joseph & Violet Pereira
- Justin Panganiban Halifax

Wednesday, March 31

12:00 pm Mass

- † Gladys Joshua
- ♦ Justin Panganiban Halifax

Holy Thursday, April 1

7:00 pm Mass English-Spanish

◆ Pro-populo

Good Friday, April 2

12:00 pm Service-Spanish 3:00 pm Service-English 6:00 pm Service-English

Easter Vigil, April 3

8:00 pm Mass English-Spanish

♦ Pro-populo

SANCTUARY LAMP MARCH 29-APRIL 3

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for All Souls in Purgatory

WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERSFor the Sick:

Jennifer Fantasia Justin Panganiban Halifax

For the Deceased:

Theresa Lane Maureen MacDonald Flaminia Minicucci





Are we ready to surrender our lives to Jesus during this Holy Week and welcome him into all areas of our lives as our Lord and Savior? The palms are meant to remind us that Christ is the king of our families, that Christ is the king of our hearts, that Christ is the only true answer to our quest for happiness and meaning in our lives. And if we do proclaim Christ as our king, let us try to make time for Him in our daily life; let us be reminded that He is the one with whom we will be spending eternity. It is only when we have done so that we will find true peace and happiness in our confused and complex world.

OFFICE CLOSED



The parish office will be closed on Good Friday and Easter Monday. In

the event of an emergency, please call 905-898-4137 extension 306.

EASTER FLOWERS

If you missed todays collection and still wish to contribute, please make use of the envelopes available to you as you exit the church today. Donations will be accepted any time during this season of Easter. Thank you for your generosity.

HOLY THURSDAY COLLECTION

There will be a collection on **Holy Thursday, April 1**. If you do not have a box of offertory envelopes, please use the special Holy Thursday envelopes available, as you exit the church today. Thank you.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION



On **Good Friday, April 2** a collection is taken in all churches for the purpose of supporting the needs

of the Christians of the Holy Land. Thank you for you ongoing support.

COMMUNITY BREAD COLLECTION

April 10-11 we ask that you consider making a donation to help care for the needs of the poor.

Feeding the hungry is the focus of this ministry and they do so by preparing a community meal every Monday. You can help by providing funds in order to cover the cost of the weekly community meals. If you do not have a box of offertory envelopes, envelopes will be available next weekend April 3-4. Thank you

CANCELLATIONS

Holy Thursday, **April 1** and Good Friday, **April 2**, the **9:00am** morning Masses are cancelled. Holy Saturday, April **3** the **5pm Mass** is cancelled.

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 ON, L3Y 2K4.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE



A reminder that 2021 membership fees are due. Fees are \$25 and can be

dropped off in the rectory mailbox, in the collection box in the church, or mailed to the church at 432 Ontario Street, Newmarket, ON, L3Y 2K4. Remember to include your name with the fee and indicate CWL membership on the

envelope to ensure that it is properly directed.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO VOLUNTEER?

As we return to 30% capacity, with Eventbrite Registrations at 80 people/Mass, 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+).

ONTARIO PRAYER BREAKFAST

Monday, March 29-7:30am-8:30am, join us at the beginning of Holy Week as we enjoy a time of prayer, musical reflection and hear from individuals whose faith has sustained and guided them on the frontline of care and ministry during the pandemic. For registration and information visit:

ontarioprayerbreakfast.ca.

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 or office@qoa.ca

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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 Cred-

Holy Week Schedule Palm Sunday

Saturday, March 27 5:00pm Mass (English)

Sunday, March 28 9:00 am (English) 11:00am (English) 1:00pm (Spanish)

Sacred Triduum Holy Thursday, April 1

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Last Supper (English & Spanish)

Good Friday, April 2

11:30am Stations of the Cross (Spanish)

Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ 12:00pm (Spanish) 3:00pm (English) 6:00pm (English)

8:00pm Stations of the Cross (English)

Holy Saturday, April 3

8:00pm Easter Vigil (English & Spanish)

Easter Sunday, April 4

9:00 am (English) 11:00am (English) **1:00pm** (Spanish)

Registration is mandatory for all Holy Week celebrations. Book on line through Eventbrite or call the parish office.

SUPPORTING MENTAL HEALTH IN OUR COMMUNITY

Our parish's ShareLife Campaign is now underway. ShareLife Sunday is **April 18th**.In this time of Lent, **ShareLife** please reflect on the great needs of our brothers and sisters who are helped through your generous support of Share-Life. Last year, generous ShareLife supporters enabled 21,000 people to receive affordable mental health care through family service agencies across the Archdiocese of Toronto, including our community. Our parish goal for this year's campaign is **\$106,000**.

Please give generously.

PARISH WEBSITE



Stay informed and updated on news from the parish. Take a moment to visit the parish web-

site, subscribe to the parish bulletin or follow the parish Facebook page.

VOCATIONS

Blessed are those who come in the Name of the Lord! Blessed are they who live their lives in the Name of the Lord! If you feel God is giving you the blessing of a call to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call: Fr. Matt McCarthy: 416-968-0997

vocations@archtoronto.org

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

O God, You have constituted Your only-begotten Son supreme and eternal Priest for the glory of Your majesty and the salvation of mankind; grant that those whom He has chosen ministers and dispensers of His mysteries may be found faithful in fulfilling the ministry they have received.

Amen.

Jesus, source of my life, sanctify me.
O my strength, fortify me.
My Commander, fight for me.
Only light of my soul, enlighten me.
My Master, guide me.
St. Faustina



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY APRIL 11



During the course of Jesus' revelations to Saint Faustina on the Divine Mercy He asked on numerous occasions that a feast day be dedicated to the Divine Mercy and that this feast be celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. The liturgical texts of that day, the second Sunday of Easter, concern the institution of the Sacrament of Penance, the Tribunal of the Divine Mercy, and are thus already suited to the request of Our Lord. This Feast, which had already been granted to the nation of Poland and been celebrated within Vatican City, was

granted to the Universal Church by Pope John Paul II on the occasion of the canonization of Sr. Faustina on 30 April 2000. Our Lord wants to teach us the story of His Love and how it remains with us even until death. Our Lord gave Sister Faustina the prayers of the chaplet of Divine Mercy.

The Divine Mercy novena begins on Good Friday and ends on Divine Mercy Sunday April 11. To access the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy Novena online. visit: https://bit.ly/3rt5JiH

For each of the nine days, our Lord gave Saint Faustina a different intention: All mankind, especially sinners; the souls of priests and religious; all devout and faithful souls; those who do not believe in God and those who do not yet know Jesus; the souls who have separated themselves from the Church; the meek and humble souls and the souls of little children; the souls who especially venerate and glorify His mercy; the souls detained in purgatory; and souls who have become lukewarm.

"I desire that during these nine days you bring souls to the fountain of My mercy, that they may draw there from strength and refreshment and whatever grace they have need of in the hardships of life, and especially at the hour of death" (Diary, 1209).



it 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.

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 is now mandatory for all weekend Masses, including the 12pm Spanish Mass.
- ◆ Capacity remains at 30%, Eventbrite registration limited to 80 people/Mass
- ◆ 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/selfassessment/

- ◆ 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.



OUR OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Collection received on March 20-21

Offertory

\$ 7,694. *Thank you*

WHO ARE YOU?

If you are currently using one of the following boxes of Offertory Envelopes, please call the parish office immediately to give us your contact information.

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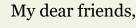
STEWARDSHIP RADICAL HUMILITY

As stewards, we sometimes may forget the truth found in the paradox of the cross. It is not our own strength or achievements that make us great but it is rather our humility and obedience to God. As we enter Holy Week, let us take some time to meditate on the radical humility of Christ crucified and seek to imitate Him in our own lives.

CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES

Online counselling services available for individuals, couples or families. Leave a message with your name, email and phone number and a staff person will contact you. Call: 416-921-1163 or 416-222-0048 or email at:

info@cfstoronto.com



Earlier today, the provincial government announced changes to the restrictions on places of worship currently in the Grey (Lockdown) Zone. As of Monday, March 15, 2021, churches in this designation (in the archdiocese, currently Toronto and Peel Regions) will be permitted 15 per cent capacity for religious services.

This is a significant improvement from the hard cap of 10 people that has been in place for several months and it is a more balanced approach in light of the recently relaxed restrictions in other sectors.

Your Voices Were Heard

A week ago, we launched the "A Place to Worship" campaign, inviting the faithful to contact their Member of Provincial Parliament to ask for a fair and balanced approach to restrictions for places of worship. More than 13,000 letters were written, with 80 per cent sent within 48 hours of the request. I am grateful to all those who participated in the campaign.

Earlier this week, a diverse group of faith leaders had the opportunity to meet virtually with Premier Ford, Minister Elliott and Dr. Williams to discuss our concerns. I wish to extend my profound gratitude to the provincial government for sharing generously of their time and for the healthy dialogue that was exchanged.

I know that many Members of Provincial Parliament also advocated for a just and equitable approach for places of worship, on behalf of their constituents, and I thank them as well.

WorshipSafe Health & Safety Protocols

As Catholics, the source and summit of our spiritual life is participation in the Eucharist. The faithful have not been able to experience this reality since December 2020 in Toronto and Peel. In light of today's announcement, I have asked churches in these areas to begin celebrating public Masses as soon as they are able to implement our WorshipSafe health and safety protocols, as early as March 15, 2021 and no later than Thursday, March 18, 2021. Please contact your local parish for more details regarding their plans.

These safety protocols have been in place since our re-opening in June 2020. From June to December of last year, with attendance of 1.5 million, fewer than 50 people who attended our churches reported COVID-19 cases; none of their cases was traced back to the church as a source of community transmission and there is no evidence that they infected others while at church.

Continued Vigilance

I do wish to stress that the Grey (Lockdown) Zones are still very much in areas where positive cases of Covid-19 are highest in the province. We must continue to take the necessary steps, out of love for neighbour, to protect one another. We recognize the vast majority of the faithful will not be attending services in person.

In addition to our WorshipSafe measures, livestreaming of services will continue and dispensation from the Sunday Eucharist remains. The elderly, those with compromised immune systems or other health conditions should be encouraged to exercise extreme caution about any outings, including attendance at church.

A Time for Christian Love

This is a time of great emotional and spiritual trauma, and people need the strength offered by faith. Whether it has been comforting the family grieving the loss of a parent, praying with a spouse who has experienced domestic violence, or assisting a suicidal parishioner suffering from isolation and insecurity in the midst of the pandemic, faith communities continue to be on the front line of prayer, care and outreach.

We will continue to safely and thoughtfully support those who need us most during this period of pandemic, as we continue to pray for those who are sick, those who have died and those who continue to care for them.

Thank you once again to all those who engaged in respectful dialogue with their elected Member of Provincial Parliament.

May God continue to bless you now and always.

Sincerely in Christ,

+ Thomas Card. Colling

Thomas Cardinal Collins

Archbishop of Toronto

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