



# St. John Chrysostom

Roman Catholic Church - Established 1841

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## Weekend Masses

### Saturday Vigil

5:00 pm

### Sunday

8:30 am & 10:00 am

12:00 pm (Spanish)

live streamed available

## Weekday Masses

Monday 8:00 am

Tuesday 7:00 pm

Wednesday 12 noon

Thursday 8:00 am

Friday 8:00 am

Saturday 9:00 am

## First Friday

Mass at 7:00 pm

No morning Mass on  
First Friday

## Reconciliation

Saturdays after 9am Mass  
or by appointment

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## Office Hours:

Call the office to book  
your appointment.

Monday through Friday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Saturday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.

In-person visits available by appointment only.

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

[ScreeningSTJC@archtoronto.org](mailto:ScreeningSTJC@archtoronto.org)

## 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

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, Sept. 11**

5:00 pm Mass

**Sunday, Sept. 12**

8:30 am Mass

10:00 am Mass

12:00 pm (Spanish) Mass

† Simeon Felices Chavez

† Mauricia Leon Felices

† Jorge Pascual Estrada

† Elia Estrada Santamarina

**Monday, Sept. 13**

7:00 pm Mass

**Tuesday, Sept. 14**

7:00 pm Mass

† Giuseppe Di Capua

◆ Lourdes Halifax

**Wednesday, Sept. 15**

12:00 pm Mass

† Alison Marie Pritchard

◆ Escolastica Furtado

**Thursday, Sept. 16**

8:00 am Mass

**Friday, Sept. 17**

8:00 am Mass

† Pierina Carcillo

**Saturday, Sept. 18**

9:00 am Mass

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

SEPT. 12-17

The Sanctuary Lamp  
burns for

Those suffering with  
chronic illness

**We ask for your prayers  
For the Sick:**

Escolastica Furtado

**For the Deceased:**

Susan Sheard

Saviour Agius

Euplio Colella

Azzopardi, Adelaide

Giuseppe Di Capua

Doris Nicolson

Joan McMillan



Jesus wants to become a living, present reality for us, transforming our lives and outlook and building a personal relationship with us. This relationship is deepened and grows as we listen to him through our meditative reading of the Bible, speaking to him in our personal and family prayers, offering him our lives on the altar in the Holy Mass and receive his reconciling forgiveness for our sins in the sacrament of reconciliation.

**FEAST OF SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM**



On **Monday, September 13**, the feast of our Patron Saint, we will be having a Parish celebration to honor him. Mass will be celebrated at **7pm** and it will be offered for all the parishioners of St. John's past and present, living and dead. The 8am Monday morning mass will be canceled.

**FIRST EUCHARIST CELEBRATION**

Congratulations to the children who celebrated their First Communion this weekend! As you join God's family on your First Communion Day, may Jesus Christ, Our Savior, bless you on your way, may you feel his loving presence in a very special way. And as you strive to follow in his footsteps may he bless your life with many graces and lasting happiness.



**SACRAMENTS 2021-2022**

First Eucharist and Confirmation Pre Registration **2021-2022** will be announced shortly. Be sure to follow the parish bulletin, website and our Facebook page to stay informed.

**SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM**

O God, you gave your servant

John Chrysostom

grace eloquently to proclaim

your righteousness

in the great congregation,

and fearlessly to bear reproach

for the honor of your Name:

mercifully grant

to all bishops and pastors

such excellence in

preaching, and faithfulness

in ministering your Word,

that your people may be partakers

with them of the glory

that shall be revealed;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you

and the Holy Spirit,

one God for ever and ever.

Amen



**LIVING THE GOSPEL BY SUPPORTING RESIDENTS OF LONG-TERM CARE**



The Houses of Providence in Scarborough is a ShareLife-funded agency that provides long-term care for seniors. "It's been hard during COVID-19," says Mary, one of its residents, "but we understand the precautions that staff are taking. Providence staff have been absolutely wonderful and are doing a good job." Did you know that you can contribute to ShareLife agencies like the Houses of Providence through Pre-Authorized Giving? Please consider making a monthly contribution to ShareLife using PAG. **October 3** is the next ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously during the special collection or anytime at [sharelife.org](http://sharelife.org). Our parish goal this year is **\$106,000**. We are at **76.1%** of our goal with a total of **\$80,666** collected. *Congratulations to the Parishioners of St. John's*



**URGENT: GREETING/SCREENING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Our dedicated Covid Volunteers, who have been volunteering tirelessly, since Covid began, need your help to keep our church open, as their numbers have depleted. Since we have now added an extra mass, your parish needs your help. To indicate your willingness to help and at which mass/es. Please contact:

[ScreeningSTJC@archtoronto.org](mailto:ScreeningSTJC@archtoronto.org)

**VOLUNTEERS**

The AODA Training and Screening deadline of **August 31** has passed. Thank you to all volunteers who have completed AODA Training and updated their Volunteer Screening file. If you have not completed the training or your Volunteer Screening file is not up to date, it must be done **BEFORE** resuming your volunteer activities. Please contact [ScreeningSTJC@archtoronto.org](mailto:ScreeningSTJC@archtoronto.org) or call the office at 905-898-4137 ext 202 and arrange to update your file as soon as possible. Thank you.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The next 50/50 jackpot draw will be **September 30**- tickets at:

<https://bit.ly/32Gy5fa>

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

We thank all the women of our parish who continue to participate and support our organization and our parish community.

**PARISH VITALITY WEBINAR SEIRES**

**September 22, 2pm—3:30pm**, This webinar discusses ways the parish community can engage parishioners who are unable to return to church, such as those who have experienced significant life changes during the pandemic. To register:

<https://bit.ly/PVWS-RegisterSept2021>

**COME TO ST. JOSEPH**

**September 17-19**-A silent Ignation weekend retreat for men and women hosted by Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre. Come to know the one chosen to care for you. For information contact:

905-839-2864

[registration@manresa.ca](mailto:registration@manresa.ca)



**SUMMER RETREAT SERIES**

Endorsed by the Archdiocese of Toronto, Catholic Land in Holland Landing: **Sept. 18-9am-12pm**: A contemplation of the questions that Christ asks us in the Gospels and how they are relevant to our everyday lives. Details at: 647-834-2046 [catholicland.com/](http://catholicland.com/)

**STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY**



**September 18-19**

Cardinal Thomas Collins has prepared his annual homily for Stewardship Sunday. The homily is available in video including translations in nine languages. We hope that this information will foster our call to be good stewards of the blessings God has given us.

Please visit [www.archtoronto.org/stewardship-sunday](http://www.archtoronto.org/stewardship-sunday).

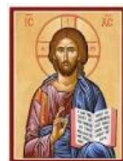
**ANNUAL PARISH MINISTRY CONFERENCE**

**SESSION SPOTLIGHT**

OCTOBER 26-30

In the session, Restoring Parish Vitality in a Post-pandemic World, we will discuss our "modern-day road to Emmaus" of self-isolation and separation from the sacraments and one another. We collectively wonder how long it will take for parish life to recover. Join a panel of selected pastors and laity as we tackle this important topic. To register and to learn more about this and other sessions visit:

[www.archtoronto.org/conference](http://www.archtoronto.org/conference)



**VOCATIONS**

"Who do people say that I am?" Who do you think Jesus is? The depth of our

faith is rooted in our answer. Is God calling you to be a priest, religious, or deacon? If you think you are being called to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon call Fr. Matt McCarthy

416-968-0997

[vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)



**STEWARDSHIP A LIVING FAITH**

"What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works?" In our second reading from the Letter of James we are challenged to have a living faith, a faith that is backed up by action. However, we should first realize that the most generous and loving thing we can do for someone is pray for them. However, after entrusting everything to God, we can then play our part and concretely try to help through proper use of our time and talents.



**OUR OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Collection received on **September 4-5**

**Offertory**

**\$7,781.**


**CANADIAN MISSIONS**

With your care and generosity today, you help bring the Gospel message to remote and impoverished missions across Canada. A collection will be taken on **September 25-26**. Thank you.

## TOGETHER WE PRAY

For the children who died in residential schools throughout Canada and for all those who continue on a journey through the darkness, that there may be healing founded on truth and that the Spirit will inspire our ongoing commitment to reconciliation. God, through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit, continue to offer us correction so that your grace might change and transform us in our weakness and repentance. Give us humility to listen when others reveal how we have failed and courage to love others as ourselves, mindful of your love for the weakest and most vulnerable among us. Amen.

## PRIVATE PRAYER

 Private Prayer and Eucharistic Adoration: Fridays **1pm to 7pm**. Registration is **not necessary**.

## CONFESSION

The sacrament of reconciliation is available to all parishioners following the **Saturday 9am** Mass or by appointment. Call the parish office to book a weekday confession appointment. 

## NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION



**September 26-12:30pm to 2pm**-join the Native Peoples' Mission community in a day of reflection, solidarity and commemoration of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, a new federal statutory holiday being observed on **September 30**. Contact: Sr. Petite Lao, RNDM at:

[petite.lao@utoronto.ca](mailto:petite.lao@utoronto.ca)

## PRAYER & FELLOWSHIP

**September 28-7pm to 8:30pm** join the National Association of Catholic Nurses-Canada via ZOOM for prayer on the first Friday of the month at 3pm and for fellowship on the final Tuesday of each month (except in December). Contact by email for the meeting links at:

[nacncanada.boardcontact@gmail.com](mailto:nacncanada.boardcontact@gmail.com)

## HOPE FOR AFGHANISTAN




**September 23 at 6:30pm**

we invite you to a Virtual Interfaith Solidarity Prayer Vigil and request that you pray for the families and friends of those who are living in fear and are worried about their uncertain future. Register at:

<https://bit.ly/RegisterHopeForAfghanistan>

## NEW BEGINNINGS

Online 4-week Programs offering both women and men a learning environment which is safe, welcoming and non-judgmental. Resources include PowerPoint, audio/video media and time allocated for group discussion. We welcome people from all ethnic, cultural and religious backgrounds. 

Bereavement Introductory Program: **September 22-7pm**.

Separated/Divorced Introductory Program: **September 23-7 pm**

Contact: Arcangelo Limanni, MRE (416) 921-1163 ext. 2225  
[alimanni@cfstoronto.com](mailto:alimanni@cfstoronto.com)

## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5pm  
Sunday: 8:30 am-  
Sunday: 10am  
12pm in Spanish



**Register for Mass**

**Registration is mandatory for all weekend Masses only**

## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday: 8am  
Tuesday: 7pm  
Wednesday: 12pm  
Thursday: 8am  
Friday: 8am

**First Friday** of the Month: Mass is at **7pm**, after Benediction.

There will be no morning Mass on the First Friday of every month.

Saturday: 9am

**(followed by Confessions)**

## 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 involvement.
- ◆ Demonstrates financial commitment.
- ◆ Empowers the Pastor to support you when recommendations are needed.
- ◆ Provides you with a Tax-Receipt
- ◆ Allows us to plan for the parish's needs in all aspects.

**CCCB STATEMENT  
DELEGATION TO THE HOLY SEE**



Following the 10 June 2021 announcement regarding the delegation of Indigenous people to meet with the Holy Father to foster meaningful encounters of dialogue and healing, the Catholic Bishops of Canada are pleased to announce that the delegation is scheduled to take place from 17-20 December 2021 in compliance with global travel restrictions.

Pope Francis is deeply committed to hearing directly from Indigenous Peoples, expressing his heartfelt closeness, addressing the impact of colonization and the role of the Church in the residential school system, in the hopes of responding to the suffering of Indigenous Peoples and the ongoing effects of intergenerational trauma. The Bishops of Canada are deeply appreciative of the Holy Father's spirit of openness in generously extending an invitation for personal encounters with each of the three distinct groups of delegates – First Nations, Métis and Inuit – as well as a final audience with all delegates together on 20 December 2021.

This pastoral visit will include the participation of a diverse group of Elders/Knowledge Keepers, residential school survivors and youth from across the country, accompanied by a small group of Bishops and Indigenous leaders. Planning for the delegation is ongoing and further details will be announced when they are available.

The Bishops of Canada reaffirm their sincere hope that these forthcoming encounters will lead to a shared future of peace and harmony between Indigenous Peoples and the Catholic Church in Canada.

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For complete information and resources visit: [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org)

## Letter from Cardinal Thomas Collins



June 3, 2021

*"If one member suffers, all suffer together with it." (1 Cor 12:26)*

In recent days, the country has been shocked, saddened and angered by the discovery of the remains of 215 children in unmarked graves who attended a residential school in Kamloops, British Columbia. We pray for the children who died in Kamloops and in residential schools throughout the country – they must not be forgotten. We must also recognize the betrayal of trust by many Catholic leaders who were responsible for operating residential schools, abandoning their obligation to care for young and innocent children. We all seek the truth and this tragic discovery provides yet another opportunity for us to learn more about this dark chapter in our history and the painful journey experienced by so many of our Indigenous brothers and sisters.

There is much more work to be done. Since the 1990's, many of the Catholic entities responsible for the operation of residential schools have apologized publicly for their actions and have journeyed together with victims on the path to truth and reconciliation. This includes the Oblates of Mary Immaculate, the religious order that operated the residential school in Kamloops, which over the weekend again apologized for its role in the residential school system. Pope Benedict XVI also had the chance to meet with Indigenous leaders in 2009 to personally express his sorrow and anguish.

These actions do not erase our history; they acknowledge our past, force us to face the consequences of our behaviour and compel us to ensure that our sins are not repeated.

While the Archdiocese of Toronto did not operate residential schools, we join with the Indigenous peoples, the Catholic community and Canadians from coast to coast to coast in a period of collective grief for those who are physically, emotionally and spiritually wounded. This Sunday, I will offer Mass for those who died or were abused at residential schools and for all those who deal with the intergenerational trauma caused by this system. We must also continue to build on the tangible initiatives present throughout the country, like the Our Lady of Guadalupe Circle, where bishops and priests, women religious, laity and Indigenous peoples are committed to walking together on a path to reconciliation.

As I have stated previously when speaking of abuse in the Church, the real scandal is when evil festers in the darkness. Once in the open, evil can be rooted out. That must happen. Then new life can begin. Let us journey together to find light through the darkness once again.

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, pray for us.

Thomas Collins

*† Thomas Card. Collins*

Archbishop of Toronto

## Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Residential Schools – June 2021

There has been considerable media coverage and discussion in recent days following the discovery of children's remains at the former residential school in Kamloops, British Columbia. The discovery has reopened a painful wound for many in our country and has identified the need for all Canadians to learn more about our history, the role of residential schools as part of that journey and to seek the truth regarding all those who suffered and continue to do so to this day.

The abuse of Indigenous peoples is a dark chapter in the history of Canada and the Catholic Church. While the Church has cared for and served Indigenous people in many ways, it is undeniable that some members of the Church undermined the dignity of First Nations people. There is evidence that much of this abuse occurred at residential schools, which were largely operated by Christian denominations. This communication is intended to provide some context and address some frequently asked questions about this important issue. We must all join in the collective efforts on the path to healing and reconciliation with Indigenous peoples.

### **1. I am deeply troubled by the discovery of children's remains in Kamloops on the site of a former residential school. Who operated the school?**

The discovery of 215 unmarked graves in late May 2021 will require further investigation to help seek the truth of who these children were, how they died and how they were buried so far from home. The school was built and initially operated by the federal government, opening in 1890. In 1892, the federal government asked a Catholic order, the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, to take over operations, which they did until 1969. The federal government resumed operations of the school from 1969 until its closure in 1979.

The religious order issued a formal apology in 1991 in addition to paying settlements to residential school survivors. An excerpt of the apology reads as follows:

*"We wish to apologize in a very*

*particular way for the instances of physical and sexual abuse that occurred in those schools...Far from attempting to defend or rationalize these cases of abuse in any way, we wish to state publicly that we acknowledge they were inexcusable, intolerable and a betrayal of trust in one of its most serious forms. We deeply and very specifically, apologize to every victim of such abuse and we seek help in searching for means to bring about healing."*

### **2. Is the Catholic Church assisting with the efforts to seek the truth in Kamloops and elsewhere?**

Father Ken Thorson, current Superior of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate, has reached out to the Tk'emlups te Secwépemc Chief Rosanne Casimir to offer assistance and to express sympathies following the discovery of the remains of 215 children on the grounds of the former school. Father Thorson has communicated that records from the

Kamloops Indian Residential School are with the Royal British Columbia Museum and has indicated the order will assist in sharing any information regarding records at this and other locations where the order operated schools.

Among the groups of dioceses and religious communities that operated residential schools, there is a spirit of cooperation with Indigenous peoples with regards to personal records and information relating to the former schools. At the same time, there are also privacy rights, including those of Indigenous peoples who attended these schools, which need to be taken into consideration on a case by case basis.

### **3. Why aren't we hearing an apology from the Catholic Church in Canada?**

There is no such entity as the Catholic Church of Canada. Each Catholic diocese and religious order is an independent legal entity. Despite this reality, in 1991, Canadian Catholic Bishops, along with leaders of men and women religious communities, issued a statement that "We are sorry and deeply regret the pain, suffering and alienation that so many experienced" at residential schools.

Approximately 16 out of 70 Roman Catholic dioceses in Canada were associated with the former residential schools, in addition to about three dozen out of over one hundred Catholic institutes (commonly referred to as religious orders). Each diocese and institute is corporately and legally responsible for its own actions.

Many of the dioceses or orders operating schools have offered apologies, dating back to the early 1990s. In recent days, many bishops throughout Canada have

offered statements and introduced other initiatives to continue our ongoing path to truth and reconciliation.

**A listing of some of the numerous apologies and other resources can be found at:**

[www.cccb.ca/indigenouspeoples/indian-residential-schools-andtrc/](http://www.cccb.ca/indigenouspeoples/indian-residential-schools-andtrc/)

### **4. Did the Archdiocese of Toronto operate residential schools?**

The Archdiocese of Toronto did not operate residential schools yet we share the collective grief and sorrow as the result of any representative of the Catholic Church inflicting pain or abuse on an individual, especially vulnerable children.

### **5. Have Indigenous leaders met with the Pope?**

Yes, in 2009, the National Chief of the Assembly of First Nations, Phil Fontaine, along with other Indigenous representatives, had a moving encounter with Pope Benedict XVI at the Vatican.

In describing the meeting, Chief Fontaine told the media he hoped the expression of regret would "close the book" on the issue of apologies for residential school survivors.

Another attendee at the meeting with Pope Benedict, Edward John, Grand Chief of the First Nations Summit in British Columbia, said the Pope acknowledged the suffering of those who are still living with the effects of their experiences at the schools. In comments to the media he said, "I think in that sense, there was that apology that we were certainly looking for."

The Catholic Church continues to work alongside and with Indigenous communities in order to foster an



ongoing culture of reconciliation. There have been, and continue to be, numerous initiatives by Catholic dioceses, institutes and organizations throughout Canada to assist with support the ongoing healing and reconciliation journey.

### **6. I understand there was a formal request in the Truth and Reconciliation Commission report for the Pope to personally apologize in Canada?**

The Holy Father has already been invited to Canada by the present and previous Prime Minister. The Catholic Bishops of Canada, including the current and past Presidents of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, have assured the Pope they would joyfully and gratefully welcome him in a visit to Canada. Likewise, in a number of instances, Canadian Bishops, individually and collectively, have formally invited Pope Francis to visit, including with specific reference to Call to Action #58 (a recommendation of the 2015 Truth & Reconciliation Commission asking the Holy Father to apologize on Canadian soil within one year of the report being issued). Pope Francis has encouraged the Bishops to continue taking leadership and assuming their proper role in pursuing their pastoral engagement and reconciliation efforts with Indigenous peoples, including ongoing conversations among the Bishops and Elders. This work builds on past apologies, dialogue and the desire to move forward together. A formal papal visit involves a number of steps from both government and church

leadership as well as significant logistical, financial commitments and other considerations. No papal visit has been publicly announced at this time.

### **7. Will the Catholic Church pay financial reparations to those harmed by residential schools?**

The Catholic entities that operated residential schools were part of the 2006 Indian Residential School Settlement Agreement (IRSSA).

The Holy See and the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops were never involved in running the former schools. The “Roman Catholic Entities” named as parties in the IRSSA were legally deemed to have fulfilled the requirements of the settlement agreement by a judicial review. Following this review, the former Conservative government released the entities from further obligations – a decision which the present Liberal government did not appeal.

The 50 or so individual entities which signed the IRSSA paid:

- i. **\$29 million in cash** (less legal costs);
- ii. **more than the required \$25 million of “in-kind” contributions**; and
- iii. an additional **\$3.7 million** from a “best efforts” campaign.

Those same entities, together with other dioceses, institutes and national Catholic organizations, continue to be involved in efforts across the country to provide in-kind contributions, which go well beyond the scope of the Indian Residential School Settlement Agreement.

<p>Call <b>1-800-268-2637</b> for this space</p>	<p><b>Taylor Funeral Home</b> Newmarket Chapel Jason C. Ladd, Managing Funeral Director Jamie Prichard, Pre-Planning Director <b>10% Discount to all Parishioners</b> 524 Davis Drive, Newmarket www.taylorfh.ca <b>905-898-2100</b></p>	<p><b>Camelot</b> Hair Design Full Esthetic Services Available Quaker Hill Market Place 36925 Yonge Street 905-715-7979</p>	<p><b>HHL</b> LLP <b>LAW FIRM</b> A full Service Law Firm Catherine M. Callaghan Partner Suite 200 - 17360 Yonge St. Newmarket, On L3Y 7R6 www.hhlawfirm.com <b>905-895-1007</b></p>
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