



# 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 stream 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

## Pastoral & Office Staff

### Pastor

Fr. Landorff García

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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

## Second Sunday of Advent

### Mass Intentions

**Saturday, December 4**

5:00 pm Mass

**Sunday, December 5**

8:30 am Mass

10:00 am Mass

12:00 pm (Spanish) Mass

**Monday, December 6**

8:00 am Mass

† Pamela Gingras

♦ Bill Jonkman

**Tuesday, December 7**

7:00 pm Mass

† Anastacia de Juan

† Mark & Elizabeth Stephen

**Wednesday, December 8**

7:00 pm Mass

Pro Populo

**Thursday, December 9**

8:00 am Mass

**Friday, December 10**

8:00am Mass

**Saturday, December 11**

9:00 am Mass

† Pamela Gingras

† Harold Kloosterman



### SANCTUARY LAMP

December 5-11

For the Health of  
Ella Wan

### We ask for your prayers

#### For the Sick:

Jake Tallon, Bill Jonkman,  
Jennifer Fantasia, Ann Allen,

Brian Allen, Lani Lati,

Paul Jennas,

Neil Thomas Brochu

#### For the Deceased:

Gerald Hearty, Trent Skinner

*Requests for prayers can be submitted to the parish office to be published in the bulletin for a period of 4 weeks. These prayers are for those who are currently ill or have recently passed away. For the sick, it is up to the one requesting it to let us know if the condition of the person changes.*



Advent is about longing, about getting in touch with it, about heightening it, about letting it raise our psychic temperatures, about sizzling as damp, green logs inside the fires of intimacy, about intuiting the kingdom of God by seeing, through desire, what the world might look like if a Messiah were to come and, with us, establish justice, peace, and unity on this earth.

### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASS

"The most Blessed Virgin Mary was, from the first moment of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege of almighty God and by virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, Saviour of the human race, preserved immune from all stain of original sin."- Catechism of the Catholic Church. Join us on Wednesday, **December 8**, Rosary at **6:30pm** and the Celebration of the Eucharist at **7pm**. Everyone is welcome-Registration is not required.



### DAY OF CONFESSIONS



To return to the Lord with integrity, we benefit greatly from celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Preparation for and the celebration of Confession allows us to set aside disruptive ways, to be renewed in heart and spirit, to be reconciled with our God who abounds with gracious, gentle tenderness. This year, the Archdiocese of Toronto will be holding a Day of Confessions in all parishes during the week of December 12-18. In our parish, confessions will take place on **Wednesday, December 15** from **3pm - 6pm** and **7pm - 8:30pm**. Registration is not necessary; walk-ins will be accepted, and confessions heard on a first-come, first-served basis.

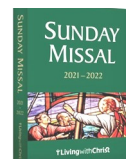
### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

#### Christmas Food Drive

**December 18/19**, before and after all weekend masses parishioners are invited to donate non-perishable and non-expired food items or cash to our Christmas Food Drive. All donations will be going to the Newmarket Food Bank. There is great need for our support all year. CWL members will be on hand in the parking lot beside the church to accept your donations. **Saturday, December 11**, from **1pm - 3pm** we are collecting for Inn from the Cold (underwear and socks etc.), your donations can be dropped off in the Parish Hall, please use the **Main Street Entrance area only**. Take this opportunity to stop by and chat. Please be generous with your gifts, Thank you. The general meeting for December is cancelled. Please remember the annual membership fees of \$25. are now due. Thank you.



### SUNDAY MISSALS



**2021-2022** Sunday Missals are available for purchase in the parish office Tuesday through Friday from **9am to 5pm**. at the cost of **\$6.00** per missal. Remember to call the parish office to let us know when you are planning to make your purchase. Thank you for your ongoing support.

We'd like to remind everyone that **we need your cooperation** in maintaining a safe space for our weekend Masses. Please remember to Register for weekend Mass through Eventbrite or call the parish office before Friday and we will be happy to register for you. **Registering for Mass** and **arriving 15 to 20 minutes before** the mass begins will help our volunteers in seating parishioners and welcoming the many walk-ins in a timely manner so that mass can begin on time. Please help our volunteers as they continue to serve our parish community.





## Sacramental Preparation Programs

### FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION 2022- DEADLINE DATE

**Attention!**

Registration for the 2022 First Communion and Confirmation Programs will be **closing on Monday, December 6, 2021 at 5pm**, coinciding with the office hours of the parish. If you have not registered your child, we ask that you do so **before 5pm on Monday December 6, 2021** to avoid disappointment. Registration requests made after the deadline date and time will be deferred to the 2023 programs.

Contact us at: 905-898-4137 or email: [parish.office@stjohnsnewmarket.ca](mailto:parish.office@stjohnsnewmarket.ca)

### FIRST COMMUNION MEETINGS



Families with children that have **Registered** in the **2022** Program are asked to attend **ONE** Orientation Meeting **in the church** with Fr. Landorff. Your options are **Thursday, December 9 at 5pm - 6pm OR Thursday, December 16 at 5pm -6pm**. Seating is limited — we ask that only one parent attends—children should not attend. Call or email the office asap to book the evening of your choice. **Due to COVID restrictions seating will be assigned.**



### CONFIRMATION MEETINGS

Families with children that have **Registered** in the **2022** Program are asked to attend **ONE** Orientation Meeting **in the church** with Fr. Landorff. Your options are **Thursday, December 9 at 7pm - 8pm OR Thursday, December 16 at 7pm -8pm**. Seating is limited —we ask that only one parent attends—children should not attend. Call or email the office asap to book the evening of your choice. **Due to COVID restrictions seating will be assigned.**

### FLOWERS FOR CHRISTMAS



We welcome your help by making donations toward the cost of flowers this Christmas. These donations may be made "In Memory of Loved Ones" or "In Thanksgiving". You can do this by placing their name on the envelope and submit it to the office or place it in the white collection box at the entrance of the church. For those of you using offertory envelopes, there is a special envelope included in your box of envelopes for **December 11/12**. For those of you who do not use envelopes, there are 'Flowers For Christmas' envelopes available at the entrance of the church and at the parish office.

### AMEN

Amen is the free Catholic app bringing you daily Mass readings, beautiful prayers, and meditations. Click on the link below for your free app download.

<https://apple.co/2ZkgmvM>



**Register for Mass**

**Registration is mandatory for all Christmas Masses**



### VOCATIONS

Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother, or sister to help our world of today to truly "prepare the way of the Lord"? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations Archdiocese of Toronto. 416-968-0997

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

### DAUGHTERS OF ST. PAUL

**December 12 at 8pm,**

The Daughters of St. Paul choir is coming to a living room near you with music, stories, laughter, and the joy and hope we have in Jesus Christ. To register:



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

## CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

### CHRISTMAS EVE

5:00 pm

7:00 pm Spanish

10:00 pm

### CHRISTMAS DAY

8:30 am

10:00 am

12:00 pm (Spanish)

### NEW YEAR'S EVE

5:00 pm

### NEW YEAR'S DAY

8:30 am

10:00 am

12:00 pm (Spanish)

### OFFICE HOURS

Friday, December 24

9:00am – 12Noon

December 25, 26, 27 & 28— **Office Closed**

Friday, December 31st

9:00am – 12Noon

January 1, 2, & 3, 2022 — **Office Closed**

## OUR OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Collection received on  
November 27-28

### Offertory

**\$6,313.**

### Shepherds Trust

**\$2750.**

Thank you for your  
generous support.

### FRIENDLY REMINDER



We ask that you **do not use envelopes from previous years** as those numbers might have been reassigned. If you were not able to pick up your 2021 envelopes we invite you to consider contacting the office so that we can assign you a new number when we receive our **2022** supply of envelopes.

### STEWARDSHIP

#### A SEASON FOR EVANGELIZATION



In the Gospel today we hear of the proclamation of John the Baptist, and as stewards, all of us are called to imitate him and lead others to Christ. St. Thomas Aquinas says, "To convert somebody go and take them by the hand and guide them." We must lovingly and patiently meet others where they are and slowly walk with them as they discover the mysteries and beauties of the Church.

**LIVESTREAMING** is available for our parishioners as the dispensation from the Sunday Eucharist continues. Alternatively, a full list of Livestream services can be accessed at:

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

### ONLINE ADVENT RETREATS

*One way of preparing is to spend time in prayer and meditation. Retreats provide the opportunity to ponder the gift of faith.*

**December 11 from 3pm-6pm , for a sacred music seminar** -this is an in-person event including professional singers & guest speakers. Information: Lenita Lopes  
416-979-2468 ext.244

**December 11 from 9:30am-2:30pm for an Advent Day of Recollection:** Lectio Divina -The Believers & Worshippers in the Lucan Narrative of Jesus' birth. Identify with the faith & piety of Elizabeth and Zechariah, Mary & Joseph. Information: Lina: 519-941-1747

**December 11 from 9:30am-1pm** -explore the Practice of the Jesus Prayer in Eastern Christian Spirituality and reflect on the mystery of God becoming human in Jesus. Information: St. Augustine's Seminary-416-261-7207

### SCAM ALERT



We have received reports of fraudulent messages being distributed from the email accounts of members of the Archdiocese of Toronto. This is a reminder that we must be mindful of email scams that victimize members of our community. To protect against email scams, please change your email password regularly. If you receive a suspicious email from someone you know or from someone who is requesting money, please contact them on a trusted phone number to ensure they actually sent the message. No one from the Archdiocese of Toronto or from St. John Chrysostom Parish would ask you for **iTunes gift cards** or send a message with the subject matter: **"Have you got a minute?"**. If your email account has been hacked, please contact MIS at: 416-934-3400 ext. 311.

### RENOVATION PROJECTS



Construction has begun with the installation of our new boiler system, a process that will take a few weeks to complete. You may find the church cooler than normal while we complete this work. We would've liked to have completed this sooner but we've had delays due to the impact of the pandemic. Please consider bringing or wearing a heavier coat to mass.

Monday, November 22 we saw the start of our brick renewal project on the bell tower ( we've had the same delays with this too as with the boiler project.) The work involves checking and replacing a number of bricks that have been showing signs of deterioration. This will help keep our building watertight and safe. During this work the upper portion of the south parking lot next to the rectory will be closed to everyone Monday to Friday from 7am to 5pm. It will be open on weekends. The rectory mailbox will be unavailable Monday to Friday from 7am to 5pm. During this time, all items for the rectory mailbox should be brought to the parish office. Also, in the near future, we will be replacing the ovens in our Parish Hall. All these projects will use the Family of Faith funds to complete. They are part of the infrastructure maintenance and renovations to the Parish Hall. The Parish Building Committee, Finance Council, the Pastor, and our Regional Bishop have been consulted, and they have approved these projects. Thank you in advance for your patience and understanding as we work through these very important projects. Dan Christante - Property Manager

## Canadian Bishops to Welcome Pope Francis to Canada on Historic Pilgrimage of Healing and Reconciliation

OTTAWA

October 27, 2021



The Catholic Bishops of Canada are grateful that Pope Francis has accepted their invitation to visit Canada on a pilgrimage of healing and reconciliation. The Holy Father's full statement:

*"The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops has invited the Holy Father to make an apostolic journey to Canada, also in the context of the long-standing pastoral process of reconciliation with Indigenous peoples. His Holiness has indicated his willingness to visit the country on a date to be settled in due course."*

In anticipation of this visit, the planned delegation of Indigenous survivors, Elders, knowledge keepers and youth will travel to the Holy See, where they will have the opportunity to speak to Pope Francis about the timing, focus, and themes in preparation for his future pilgrimage to Canada.

"The Bishops of Canada have been engaged in meaningful discussions with Indigenous Peoples, especially those affected by Residential Schools who have shared stories about the suffering and challenges that they continue to experience," said CCCB President, the Most Rev. Raymond Poisson. "We pray that Pope Francis' visit to Canada will be a significant milestone in the journey toward reconciliation and healing."

The Canadian Bishops recently pledged to work with the Holy See and Indigenous partners on the possibility of a pastoral visit to Canada by the Pope. Following this pledge and informed by three years of ongoing dialogue between the Canadian Bishops, the Holy See, and Indigenous Peoples, the President and former-President of the CCCB met in Rome with the Secretary of State of the Holy See to discuss next steps on the reconciliation journey earlier this month and in preparation for the delegation.

This delegation to the Holy See will take place from December 17-20, 2021, and is being planned in close collaboration with National Indigenous Organizations and other partners.

"We will invite the delegation of Indigenous survivors, Elders, knowledge keepers, and youth who will meet with Pope Francis to open their hearts to the Holy Father and share both their suffering as well as their hopes and desires for his eventual visit to Canada," added Bishop Poisson.

Additional details about Pope Francis' pilgrimage to Canada, as well as the Rome delegation will be announced by the CCCB as details are confirmed.

### About the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCCB) is the national assembly of the Bishops of Canada. It was founded in 1943 and officially recognized by the Holy See in 1948.

## Letter from Cardinal Thomas Collins

October 27, 2021



I am most grateful that Pope Francis has accepted the invitation of the Bishops of Canada for a pastoral visit to advance the healing and reconciliation journey with the Indigenous Peoples of this land.

I reiterate the unequivocal apology of the Canadian bishops from earlier this year as we sorrowfully acknowledged the historical and ongoing trauma and the legacy of suffering and challenges faced by Indigenous Peoples that continue to this day.

We affirm our commitment to walk with the

Indigenous people on the lengthy path of healing and dialogue. I pray that the visit of the Holy Father will provide a space for that journey to continue through authentic encounters of compassion, understanding and reconciliation.

To assist in establishing the foundation for his pilgrimage to Canada, later this year, from December 17-20, the Holy Father will welcome a delegation of Indigenous survivors, Elders, knowledge keepers and young people at the Vatican. Over the course of several days, through authentic listening and dialogue, Pope Francis will hear directly from those who have suffered.

I invite the faithful of the Archdiocese of Toronto to join me in prayer for all those who suffer from the legacy of the residential school system. We pray also for the delegates who will visit with the Holy Father in December. Finally, we keep Pope Francis close in prayer. May he be blessed with good health and strength to prepare him to join us at the appropriate moment to continue our journey of healing and reconciliation together.

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, pray for us.

Thomas Collins

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Archbishop of Toronto