



# 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

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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 Tuesday through Friday 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

## Baptism of the Lord

### Mass Intentions

#### Sunday, January 9

8:30 am Mass

10:00am Mass

12:00pm Mass (Spanish)

† Esther Noemi Acevedo

† Maria Rosa Felices

#### Monday, January 10

8:00 am Mass

† Jameel Antonio

#### Tuesday, January 11

7:00 pm Mass

† Gerry Hearty

#### Wednesday, January 12

12:00 pm Mass

† Lydia Bustamante

† Vito Dellino

#### Thursday, January 13

8:00 am Mass

† Giuseppe De Capua

#### Friday, January 14

8:00 am Mass

† Ted Smykiel

#### Saturday, January 15

9:00 am Mass

♦ Parishioners impacted by COVID-19



This Christmas season ends with a beginning as we-celebrate Jesus' baptism and initiation into his ministry. The ancient promise of justice to Israel is fulfilled in him whose mission, empowered by the Spirit, will focus on peace and justice. Our baptism mirrors his as the beginning of what we are called to be and do. We are all empowered to be instruments of peace and justice and to invite others to join us.



### WORSHIP SAFE UPDATE

On **January 3, 2022**, the provincial government announced that Ontario will be moving to a modified Step 2 of the Roadmap to Reopening. These changes will take effect as of Wednesday, January 5, 2022, with most restrictions lasting a minimum of **21** days.

Capacity restrictions for places of worship are set at 50% of pre-Covid capacity however distancing of 2 metres (6 feet) must be maintained by those not from the same family. We offer the following guidance given the latest announcement:

- In light of the highly contagious Omicron variant, the archdiocese strongly recommends against congregational singing at this time. A cantor or small choir remain acceptable – those singing in choirs should be at least three metres from one another and the congregation.
- Parishioners not feeling well or showing symptoms should not attend Mass at this time.
- Parishioners should not congregate in large groups before or after Mass, wherever possible.
- Given the increased potential of positive cases for those who may have attended church, contact tracing remains a best practice (either online registration or self sign-in). Wherever possible, an e-mail address provides the fastest way to reach large number of attendees should notification be required following a positive case.
- Anyone who attended Mass and subsequently tested positive

should contact the Parish immediately

We recognize that the Christmas season posed significant challenges given the number of Masses as well as the need to adapt to the fluid nature of the Omicron situation. A special thank you to clergy, staff and volunteers for their tireless efforts to serve the faithful and foster a safe environment for all! We will continue to provide relevant updates as appropriate. *Archdiocese of Toronto*

### CONFIRMATION PREPARATION



Classes for the month of **January** have been moved to on-line lessons. We strongly recommend that your child maintains the schedule of lessons as outlined in the program so as not to fall behind in the preparation process. **If your child has been registered and has not received the link to participate online, contact the parish office immediately.** We thank you for your patience and cooperation during these unprecedented times.

### FIRST EUCHARIST PREPARATION

Classes begin on **January 12** or **13** depending upon which day and which time you signed up for. **Classes for the month of January** have been moved to on-line lessons. **A link will be provided shortly giving your child access to the online program. Be sure to check your email inbox daily so as not to miss this information.** If you do not receive a link for the program by the lesson date for your child, contact the office immediately. We strongly recommend that your child maintains the sched-



### SANCTUARY LAMP

January 9-15

The Lamp burns this week for all who are suffering from Covid and for those taking care of them.

### We ask for your prayers For the Deceased:

Jim Antonio

Francesco Sorrento

Alex Sloman

*Requests for prayers can be submitted to the parish office to be published in the bulletin for a period of 4 weeks.*

### SYNOD ON SYNODALITY

To learn more about the Synod on Synodality and to share your thoughts, please visit: [www.archtoronto.org/synodality](http://www.archtoronto.org/synodality)

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### MARRIAGE SUNDAY



Celebration of Marriage Mass on **February 13 at 2:30pm**. St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica for married couples celebrating milestone anniversaries (25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+) in 2022. Due to social distancing measures, cathedral attendance is limited to pre-registered couples celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries and a maximum of one guest per celebrant couple. **Registration is now open.** We encourage milestone celebrants to register early. Those who are not able to register may join the celebration, **February 13**, beginning **2:15pm** via livestream:

[www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live](http://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live).

### MARRIAGE PREPARATION-2022

The next retreat weekend is **January 14-16**. For course details or to register contact: Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre Mississauga at: 905-278-5229 or [www.qoa.ca](http://www.qoa.ca)

### PRAYING FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY



January **18-25** is prayer for Christian Unity week on the theme "We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship him" (Mt.2:2). Join Cardinal Carter at **4pm** Mass-Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Orthodox Church, Scarborough, in person or livestream: [www.facebook.com/TorontoArmenianChurch](http://www.facebook.com/TorontoArmenianChurch).

### OFFICE HOURS

Due to the high Covid numbers, 'on site' office hours are greatly reduced as staff are required to work virtually wherever possible to protect, not only our parishioners, but clergy and essential staff. **Please refrain from coming to the parish office and/or the parish centre without calling first to book an appointment.** We are working diligently to respond to your calls and emails as quickly as possible and thank you for your patience during this challenging time. Mail, payments, or weekly envelopes can be dropped off in the 'locked' rectory mailbox.



**Monday-closed**  
**Tuesday through Friday**  
**9am -5pm**  
**Saturday: 9am-12pm**

### OUR OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Collection received on December 31, 2021

**\$ 8,875.**

January 2, 2022

### Offertory

**\$ 1,943.**

Thank you

for your generous support.

### VOCATIONS



As John the Baptist introduced the people of his time to Jesus a voice from heaven said, "You are my Son, the Beloved, with you I am well pleased." Perhaps God is calling you to do the same in our time as a priest, deacon or religious. If He is, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations Archdiocese of Toronto at: 416-968-0997

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

### CANTORS NEEDED



Do you have a pleasant singing voice? And would like to proclaim the Word of God through song? Contact the parish office to book your audition.

### BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Effective **January 1, 2022**, we launched our own Bulletin Advertising program. If you are a business owner, we invite you to consider advertising your business in our Parish Bulletins, available weekly at mass and virtually through our parish website, <https://stjohnchrysostomne.archtoronto.org/en/bulletin/>, and e-blasts. Our parish consists of roughly 5,000 registered families from Newmarket and surrounding areas. The advertising campaigns will run annually from January 1 to December 31 but if you miss the January 31 initial deadline, we will prorate the following annual costs for the remaining months. See the sample sizes and block prices on page 4 of the online bulletin. All ads are black and white. Advertisers to provide their own artwork. July and August bulletins are published biweekly. Payment is due at the beginning of your advertising period. If you are interested in discussing our advertising options, please contact the parish office for more information.

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

We pray that you, your family, and your business are coping well through this challenging time.

Regards,

Reverend Landorff Garcia Mariona



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<p><b>Space Available!</b></p> <p><b>PLACE YOUR AD HERE!</b></p> <p>Please contact the parish office to advertise in our bulletin.</p> <p>1 block @ \$400/year</p> <p>2 blocks @ \$550/year</p> <p>3 blocks @ \$750/year</p> <p>4 blocks @ \$950/year</p>		

## RENOVATION PROJECTS

We are happy to report that our new boiler system is now up and running. The system will take a few weeks to stabilize and calibrate so you may find temperatures fluctuate from time to time. However, the church will be warmer than it has been for the last couple of weeks. Please consider bringing or wearing a heavier coat to mass for a couple more weeks just in case you find you need it.

In the process of starting our bell tower brick renewal project, we have found areas of deterioration that will need more investigation before we put new bricks in place. As a safety precaution, we will be installing scaffolding over the north exit doorway from the Church to the rear parking lot that will stay in place until all work is completed. Additional scaffolding will be installed around the tower to facilitate worker access to the areas to be looked at. We anticipate that the investigation will take about two months to complete and we will update you when we have new information to share.

Lastly, the order details for our new ovens in our Parish Hall should be in place early in the new year. There is a considerable lag time right now between ordering and delivery due to the strain on the supply chain from the pandemic. Look for an update on this project in early February.

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 again for your patience and understanding as we work through these very important projects.

Dan Christante - Property Manager



## Update on the Delegation to Rome

### **Canadian Bishops, Assembly of First Nations, Métis National Council, and Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami Provide an Update on Delegation to Rome**

December 7, 2021,

After careful assessment of the uncertainty and potential health risks surrounding international travel amid the recent spread of the Omicron variant, the Canadian Bishops, Assembly of First Nations, Métis National Council, and Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami have jointly decided to reschedule a delegation to the Vatican in December 2021 to the earliest opportunity in 2022.

The decision to postpone was a heartbreaking one, made after careful consultation with delegates, family members, community leaders, public health officials and the leadership of each of the three National Indigenous Organizations. Particularly for many elderly delegates as well as those who live in remote communities, the risk of infection and the fluid nature of the evolving global situation presents too great a threat at this time.

We take comfort in the desire, conveyed to us by the Holy See, that the safety of the delegation should inform any decision to move forward. It is also important to note that the delegation is postponed not cancelled.

Currently, the world's health experts are still learning about the transmissibility of the Omicron variant. As more information becomes available, we will continue to assess the feasibility of future travel plans, based on guidance from the Canadian government and relevant international authorities.

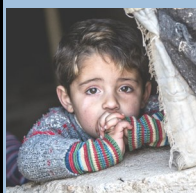
Our shared commitment to walking together towards healing and reconciliation remains strong. We understand that the Holy See is very much committed to rescheduling this visit in the new year and we look forward to the opportunity for Indigenous Elders, knowledge keepers, residential school survivors, and youth to participate in private meetings with Pope Francis.

#### **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.”

St. Kateri Tekakwitha,  
pray for us.



## 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

*+ Thomas Card. Collins*

Archbishop of Toronto

## 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.