

# 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

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### **Office Hours:**

The office is now open daily Monday through Saturday. Appointments are no longer necessary. Monday through Friday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Saturday 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Office closed Monday through Friday 12 pm—1 pm for lunch.

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.

#### 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**

ScreeningSTJC@archtoronto.org

# 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, April 2 5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, April 3

8:30 am\* 10:00am Mass 12:00pm Mass (Spanish)

♦ Eleonora Mariona de García

### Monday, April 4 8:00 am Mass

♦ Ginger Halifax

# Tuesday, April 5

7:00 pm Mass

- † Edna & Joseph D'Silva
- ♣ Salvatore & Maria Trimarchi

# Wednesday, April 6

12:00 pm Mass

- † Emilia & Gaetano Alfano
- 🕆 Gina & Dante Landi

# Thursday, April 7

8:00 am Mass

★ Mark &Elizabeth Stephen

# Friday, April 8

7:00 pm Mass

1 Abraham Amado Desamito

### Saturday, April 9

9:00 am Mass

- † Anthony Welgan
- † Giacomina & Aldo Cuzzolino

# Sanctuary Lamp

In many places of worship a lamp signifies our constant prayer. The sanctuary lamp is an opportunity to let it burn for a particular prayer or intention. Call us if you wish to make an offering for your intentions.

# Let us Pray For The Sick:

Eileen De Cristofaro, Brian & Anne Allen, Joseph Shibley

The Deceased:

Maria Mandjik, Maria Cornolo, Monica Alexandra Amaya,

Peter & Mary Ennamorato, Josephine Khashmanian



All Holy Week Services will be available livestream.



Jesus has mercy on the woman accused of adultery. Those who judge her are confronted with their own need for forgiveness, and she who has been shown mercy is challenged to live out the new thing God is doing on her behalf. Where mercy abounds, all kinds of new things can happen.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

As part of our preparation for Easter it is good to look at the areas in our life where we are in need of God's mercy. The



need of God's mercy. The sacrament of reconciliation will take place at St. John's Church on **Tuesday**, **April 5** from **3pm to 6pm** and again from **7:30pm to 8:30pm**.

### FLOWERS FOR EASTER



Every year we are given the opportunity to express our gratitude or to remember someone in a special way by decorating

the sanctuary for Easter. Donations may be made "In Memory of Loved Ones" or "In Thanksgiving" and the names will be published on the slides in the church throughout the entire Season of Easter. You can do this by placing their name on the envelope and submitting it to the office or by placing it in the white collection box at the entrance of the church. 'Flowers For Easter' envelopes will be available at the entrance of the church and at the parish office throughout the entire season of Easter. Thank you

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



All members are encouraged to attend the next in-person meeting to be held on **April** 

12 at 7:30pm to 8:30pm in the Knights Room, Main Street entrance doors only. Council membership dues for 2022 are long overdue, please submit your dues as soon as possible if you have not already done so. Our first quarter '50/50 draw' prize of over \$28,000.00 was on March 31, 2022. Thank you to all



PALM SUNDAY
OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD
Saturday, April 9, 2022
5:00 pm

Sunday, April 10, 2022 8:30 am, 10:00 am 12:00 pm Spanish

HOLY THURSDAY
MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
April 14, 2022
7:00 pm-Bilingual

GOOD FRIDAY
OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD
April 15, 2022
Stations of the Cross
11:30am-Spanish
12:00 pm Service- Spanish

3:00 pm Service-English 6:00 pm Service-English followed by Stations of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY
EASTER VIGIL
April 16, 2022
8:00 pm-Bilingual

EASTER SUNDAY
THE RESURRECTION
OF THE LORD
April 17, 2022
8:30 am, 10:00 am,
12:00 pm Spanish

Some people will still want to wear masks in churches and offices, and they should not be discouraged from doing so.

who bought tickets. The next '50/50 draw' is on **June 30**, 2022 Tickets available at: <a href="https://bit.ly/3tPcG23">https://bit.ly/3tPcG23</a>

Help us to continue to help those in need.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS



During Lent, we will pray the Stations of the Cross immediately following; either the First Friday 7pm Mass or Friday Private Prayer.

### LITURGICAL VOLUNTEERS

We are currently organizing our return to Church and are in urgent need of volunteers for the following roles.

- **Lectors & Response Leaders**
- Cantors
- Ministers of Hospitality (Ushers) If you would like to share your time and talent, please contact the parish office with your contact information.



### FREE APP



"Amen" is a free Catholic app Amen hosted by the Augustine Institute. It brings you the daily

Mass readings, devotions, Scripture and more. Click on the link for your free app download.

https://apple.co/2ZkgmvM

#### PARISH BULLETIN

If you would like to receive the parish bulletin weekly on-line, visit our parish website or click on the link below to sign up:



https://bit.ly/3ByJFYS

### **New to the Parish**



If you are new to the parish, please remember to register with us and let your old parish know that you have

moved, so that they too can update their records. Registration Forms and offertory envelopes are available at the parish office.

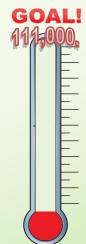
#### THE IMPORTANCE OF REGISTERING

Registering in your parish is an important first step to becoming an active member in the local church com-



munity. 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 lawrelated 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 and allows us to plan for the parish's needs in all aspects. To register, call the parish office.

### SUPPORTING SHARELIFE



Today's Gospel shares the parable of the woman accused of adultery. Jesus admonishes the gathered scribes and Pharisees. They want her stoned and Jesus says, "Let anyone among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." Our Lord's message is one of great love, forgiveness and respect for all of God's people. Social Service agencies funded by ShareLife have an 'open intake policy' and provide help based on need, not on lifestyle, gender, ethnicity, nor the faith beliefs of those they help. Our goal this year is \$111,000.00 which our parish takes on with courage, especially since our parish is one of the leading supporting parishes.

Join us in living the Gospel by supporting ShareLife.

### **V**OCATIONS

What am I racing after in my life? Fame? Fortune? A life in Jesus? What is the prize I seek at the finish-line? If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Archdiocese Vocations of Toronto: 416-968-0997

vocations @archtoronto.org

### Pressing Towards the Goal



Stewardship is a lifelong journey made up of many individual decisions. St. John Paul II

says that "life with Christ is a wonderful adventure." Any adventure is sure to have mountains and valleys, but what God truly desires is that we keep making positive decisions that deepen our commitment to love and serve Him.

### YOUTH CONFERENCE

Experience the Church in a whole new way. July 15 -17- Location: Canada Christian College in Whitby, Registration and details at:



youth@ocytoronto.org

### **OUR OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Collection received on March 26-27 Offertory \$ 6,854.

Thank you for funding the operation and ministries upon which our community depends.

### ATTENTION ENVELOPE USERS



Please do not use **2021** or any prior year's envelopes.

2022 donation envelopes, are available on the tables as you exit the church and at the parish office during regular office hours. Thank you.

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March 4, 2022

Dear Parishioners of St. John Chrysostom:

As you have no doubt heard, our churches and parish facilities are able to safely reopen at full capacity. Fr. Rafal and I look forward to welcoming all parishioners back to their spiritual home and participating in parish life.

These changes to public health directives have been long awaited. If you have not been to Mass during the pandemic, I encourage you to return to church when you feel comfortable. Please know we are doing our best to make sure you feel safe and welcomed.

Cardinal Collins reminds us that the Eucharist remains the source and summit of our life in Christ. Participation in the Sunday Eucharist is the central experience of the week. It is also the obligation of Catholics, if they are able, to be personally present at Mass.

It is understandable that some may well feel hesitant at first about returning to personal participation. Rest assured, we remain in step with public health and, for the time being, you'll need to wear masks. Sign-in is not required, nor is pre-registration for Mass.

### Some additional information:

- The use of hand sanitizer is highly encouraged and available at the entrance of the church.
- Congregational singing has resumed. Masks need to be worn while singing.
- The back doors are open for accessibility.
- Communion on the tongue has resumed. One minister will be assigned to distribute Communion in this way.
- Parish social events will return to the hall.

For the time being, our Mass schedule is as follows: Saturday: 5 pm Sunday: 8:30 am 10 am 12 pm, in Spanish Monday: 8 am Tuesday: 7 pm Wednesday: 12 pm Thursday: 8 am Friday: 8 am First Fridays of the month: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: 1 pm to 7 pm. Mass at 7 pm. In closing, thank you for your patience during this time of transition, and a special thanks to all our volunteers who have worked so hard these past two years. Please know of my prayers as we enter the season of Lent. God bless you, Fr. Landorff J. Garcia Mariona, **Pastor** P.S. I invite you to view this brief and inspirational 'welcome back' video: https://youtu.be/ylazmUIUXNs

# **Canadian Conference Of Catholic Bishops**

# Share Lent 2022 Message of Bishop Raymond Poisson, CCCB President

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

In 2015, Pope Francis published a letter addressed to all of us entitled *Laudato Si'*. In this letter, he tied the protection of the environment with love of neighbour, particularly by casting light on the fact that the poorest nations are generally the main victims of ecological degradation: "a true ecological approach always becomes a social approach; it must integrate questions of justice in debates on the environment, so as to hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor", he tells us. The upcoming Lenten period is a time for a call to conversion, in order to bring us closer to the Lord, to go out to encounter our neighbour and to care for Creation, our common home.

Recent international gatherings have highlighted the direct impacts of the climate crisis; at a time when our Canadian communities are just starting to experience them, our brothers and sisters in the Global South have suffered them for a long time. For us Christians, in order that our faith in Jesus might be expressed in action, I encourage you to respond enthusiastically to the invitation of *Share Lent 2022*, which is being organized by **Development and Peace – Caritas Canada** under the theme "People and Planet First". This campaign is an expression of the Gospel message and of the Church's social teaching, both of which take into consideration the integral development of the human person.

Despite the difficult ecological situation of those communities where Development and Peace's partner organizations are active, those communities are finding ways to adapt so as to live in harmony with their environment. This coming Lent, Development and Peace will highlight their efforts in order to encourage Canadians to fast sincerely and to pray that we may all work together as one family in caring for Creation.

Every year, Development and Peace also invites the Catholics of Canada to practice almsgiving by donating to the collection taken up on Solidarity Sunday (3 April 2022). The funds that are gathered then will allow Development and Peace to fulfill its mission and to transform lives in almost 30 countries around the world. Therefore, I invite you, in Christ's name, to support the *Share Lent 2022* campaign by spreading its message in your communities (especially by means of a letter of support), by participating actively in the activities in which you will be invited, and by encouraging fundraising in order to place people and the planet at the heart of our priorities. "For the kingdom of God depends not on talk but on power" (1 Cor. 4:20).

Fraternally in our Lord,

Raymond Poisson

Bishop of Saint-Jérôme and of Mont-Laurier President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

### **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

### RENOVATION PROJECTS UPDATE



Repairs to the church are on hold for the moment and will be announced, when they resume. In the meantime, all areas of the parking lot are available, and the rectory mailbox is accessible without restriction. Scaffolding remains in place to ensure parishioner safety.

### **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 post-poned 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. Colling 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 (CCCB) is the national assembly of the Bishops of Canada. It was founded in 1943 and officially recognized by the Holy See in 1948.