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# St. John Chrysostom

Roman Catholic Church - Established 1841

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Weekday Masses

Mondav

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Saturday

Friday

Weekend Masses Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm Sunday 8:30 am & 10:00 am 12:00 pm (Spanish) live stream available

## Office Hours:

The office is now open daily Monday through Saturday. Appointments are no longer necessary.

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.

## **First Friday**

Mass at 7:00 pm No morning Mass on First Friday

**Reconciliation** Saturdays after 9am Mass

or by appointment

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.

8:00 am

7:00 pm

12 noon

8:00 am

8:00 am

9:00 am

## **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

#### Sixth Sunday of Easter

## **Mass Intentions**

Saturday, May 21 5:00 pm Mass Sunday, May 22 8:30 am\* 10:00am Mass 12:00pm Mass (Spanish) ✤ Hilda Miria Lembcke Monday, May 23 8:00 am Mass + Ernesto Luna Assumption D'Mello **Tuesday, May 24** 7:00 pm Mass Larry Osborne Wednesday, May 25 12:00 pm Mass Terry Best Marie-Anne Lachance Thursday, May 26 8:00 am Mass Lourdes Halifax Friday, May 27 8:00 am Mass • Ewa & Marian Kmiecik Saturday, May 28 9:00 am Mass Noah & Ava **†** Fiore Napolitano

## 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

**Tyler Perret Swirla** 

Names must be submitted by family members and will be kept for a period of one month. If the condition of the individual changes sooner, please let us know.

> **THE DECEASED** Patricia Clausen, Alan Ritchie, Bunny Ivanhoe, Indy Llew Jones



In today's Gospel, we can tell that Jesus' followers are troubled. Their teacher and friend is explaining that he will be leaving them very soon, and they are worried and anxious because they don't know what the future will bring. So, he comforts them by letting them know they will not be abandoned. He gives them a great gift: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you."

### **OFFICE CLOSED**



The parish office will be closed on Victoria Day, Monday, May 23. In the event of an emergency,

please call 905-898-4137 extension 306.

#### **MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS**

**Cantors:** Do you have a Zat pleasant singing voice? And would like to proclaim the Word of God through

song? Contact the parish office to book your audition.

Ushers: We are still in need of volunteers for the 10am mass. If you are interested please contact the parish office at 905-898-4137 ext 202 or email us at:

screeningstjc@archtoronto.org

#### POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS

This weekend, there will be a special collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works- "Papal Charities". These funds are passed on to the Holy Father so the Church can provide an immediate humanitarian response in countries stricken by war, famine and natural disasters. Please give generously. If you do not have a box of offertory envelopes, "Papal Charities" envelopes are available at the entrance of the church.

#### **New Beginnings**

**Online Bereavement Program:** June 1 - June 22 from 7pm to 9pm. Online Separated/ Divorced Program: June 2 - June 23 from **7pm** to **9pm**. Contact: 647-215 -3978 or for registration and information: https://nbsd06.eventbrite.ca

#### **CONFIRMATION 2022**

Please pray for our next group of young people celebrating Confirmation on May 26 and May 28.

#### **ESTATE PLANNING**

Free webinar- Saturday, May 28, 2022, at 9am. Learn about the importance of a Will, Powers of Attorney & Estate Planning as well as Catholic teachings and traditions around cremation. The Archdiocese of Toronto estate planning team & Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services will share:

- How to protect your loved ones with a proper Will.
- How to ensure that your wishes are legally protected.
- Powers of Attorney Estate Trustee selection.
- Finding lawyers and estate planning advisors.

For registration please email:

#### development@archtoronto.org

Please include 'webinar May 28' in the subject line/ your name in the body of a message/ and for the sake of our statistics, let us know whether vou are planning to watch this webinar alone or together with a family member. You will receive a link closer to the webinar.

#### MANRESA RETREAT SERIES



A day of reflection is held each year for Catholic parents of LGBTQ sons and

daughters. This year it will take place on Saturday, June 4 from 9am to **5pm** at the Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre in Pickering. Information at: 905-839-2864

registration@manresa.ca







ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM PARISH Statement of Operating Receipts and Expenditures For the Year Ended December 31, 2021		
RECEIPTS: Offertory & Other Parish Collections Bapt/Funerals/Weddings, Mass Inten-	413,497	
tions & Other Donations	34,239	
Parish Programs & Interests	76,159	
Sundry (incl. Rebates, CEWS Subsidy & Transfers)	141,803	
	665,698	
EXPENSES:		
Salaries & Payroll Remittances	387,009	
Office Services & Supplies	14,788	
Insurance	7,987	
Utilities	30,188	
Repair/Maintenance & Grounds		
Maintenance	56,860	
Other Church Payments Rectory Payments	13,216 12,030	
Dioc. Assessment & Clergy Health/	12,030	
Retirement Assessments	101,443	
Parish Programs (Sacramental Prep./	101,440	
Faith Formation	19,963	
Sundry (AdminArticles/Candles,	,	
Prof. Fees, Rental, etc.)	38,343	
Furnishings/Equipment	6,356	
	600 400	
TOTAL EXPENSES	688,183	
Net Operating Receipts		
(Disbursements) for the year	(22,485)	
Included above: Received: CEWS Subsidy due to		
COVID-19	78,331	
Expenses: Due to COVID extra clean-	10,001	
ing equipment & supplies	1,472	
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Actual Loss in 2020 excluding the		
COVID impact	(99,344)	

#### LIVING THE GOSPEL THROUGH SHARELIFE

Our parishioners' support of ShareLife is making a difference in the lives of those in need. Thus far we have raised \$32,195.00 (29.%) toward our goal of \$111,000.00. Please make your donation via the parish website, at sharelife.org, or during the ShareLife Sunday special collection on June 5. If you have any questions, please contact us at 416-934-3411 or slife@archtoronto.org. Thank you for supporting ShareLife!

#### SHARELIFE GOLF TOURNAMENT

Join the 25th Annual event on **June 6**, at Royal Woodbine Golf Club in Etobicoke. Proceeds will benefit ShareLife. Registration deadline: **May 23**, at: sharelife.org/golf



## **OUR OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Collection received on May 14-15

\$ 8,091.00

Thank you for your generosity.

#### Mysterious Persons

Attention 2022 Offertory Envelope user **# 264, 238, 233, 310, 329 or 338** we have neither your name nor your address. Please contact the parish office as soon as possible.

#### STEWARDSHIP PEACE BE WITH YOU

Jesus tells us "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives."



The world promotes peace as something that is achieved through exterior possessions or circumstances, yet it offers no remedy for times of great trial. On the other hand, with Jesus, the next time we're in a moment that threatens to rob us of our peace, let us take a deep breath, call to mind the smiling gaze of Christ towards us, and pray, "Jesus, I love you."

#### VOCATIONS

Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him and we will come to Him. How will I respond to that love? Am I being called to the priesthood, diaconate or religious life? If God is calling you contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations Archdiocese of Toronto:

416-968-0997

vocations @archtoronto.org 2022 Spring newsletter at: https://

staugustines.on.ca/

#### WOMEN'S DAY OF REFLECTION

June 4 at 9:30am -1:15pm (for virtual) or 9:30am -2:30pm (for in person) St. Augustine's

Seminary invites all women for a day of reflection on the gifts of women and their unique call to holiness. For information & registration contact: 416-261-7207 or email: lay.formation@staugustines.on.ca

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## **May-Month of Mary**

## St. Catherine Laboure - Miraculous Medal



The Miraculous Medal is a sacramental inspired by the Marian apparition to St. Catherine Laboure in Paris in 1830. The Virgin Mary appeared to Laboure as the Immaculate Conception standing on a globe with light streaming from her hands and crushing a serpent under her foot.

"A voice said to me, 'Have a medal struck after this model. All who wear it will receive great graces, especially if they wear it around the neck'," Laboure said. St. Catherine's prayer associated with the sacramental:

"O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to you."

St John Paul II teaches us that Our Lady "promised to all who would wear it would receive very many graces; and since conversion and sanctification are divine graces from God, the Miraculous Medal will be one of the best means for attaining these gifts."

Let us pray: Mary, help me see God's love for me today!

St. Maximilian Kolbe wrote "Its heavenly origin has been proven by countless miracles of healing and particularly of conversion." As World War II raged around him in Poland, St. Maximilian fought for souls using a printing press and another "weapon" – the Miraculous Medal.

"Even though a person be the worst sort, if only he agrees to wear the medal, give it to him...and then pray for him, and at the proper moment strive to bring him closer to his Immaculate Mother, so that he will have recourse to her in all difficulties and temptations," Kolbe said of the Miraculous Medal.



**St Louis De Montfort -** teaches that Our Lady is full of Grace, not for herself but for us. She knows what is best for us and is always aligned with God's Will. Often it is our sins that get in the way. We are encouraged to follow her, and she will guide us away from sin thru a life of virtue.

#### VIRTUES OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Acts of love, pious affection for the Blessed Virgin, imitation of her virtues, especially her profound humility, her lively faith, her blind obedience, her continual mental

prayer, her mortification in all things, her surpassing purity, her ardent charity, her heroic patience, her angelic sweetness, and her divine wisdom: "there being," as St. Louis De Montfort says, "the ten principal virtues of the Blessed Virgin."

#### **PRAY THE ROSARY**

During the month of **May**, the Deacons & their wives, or our Seminarian Carlos will pray the rosary 30 mins before all weekend masses.





St. John Chrysostom Parish

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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: <u>https://youtu.be/yIazmUIUXNs</u>

## 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

## 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. 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

## 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.