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Weekend Masses Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm Sunday 8:30 am | 10:00 am 12:00 pm 1:30 pm Spanish 6:30 pm Chinese

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 Live-stream available

First Friday

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

Reconciliation

Saturdays after 9am Mass or by appointment

Office Hours:

Monday through Friday 9:00 am to 4:30 pm Office closed Monday through Friday 12 pm -1 pm for lunch

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. Parents/Guardians must be registered parishioners and are required to attend the in-person Baptism preparation class accompanied by godparents.

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

During the 10am Sunday Mass

Visiting Ministry

To arrange for a visit and/or to bring Holy Communion to someone at their home, contact the parish office.

Volunteer Screening

ScreeningSTJC@archtoronto.org

Catholic Women's League

President – Emily-Ana Filardo stjohnchrysostomCWL@gmail.com

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 or Blog: sjcses.blogspot.com

Community Bread

For information, to volunteer or to donate, contact communitybread@stjohnsnewmarket.ca

Catholic Schools

Canadian Martyrs 905-895-8530 905-895-5001 Notre Dame St. John Chrysostom 905-895-7411 St. Nicholas 905-895-3777 St. Paul 905-895-4122 905-895-3340 Sacred Heart H.S. Chaplain: Erica Gismondi Trustee: Theresa McNicol 905-898-2210

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

NOVEMBER 18-25 Saturday, November 18 5:00 pm **Pro Populo** Sunday, November 19 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 am Mass Pro 10:00 am Mass **Populo** 12:00 pm Mass 1:30 pm Mass (Spanish) 6:30 pm (Chinese) Monday, November 20 8:00 am Mass **Tuesday, November 21** 7:00 pm Mass ♦ CWL Past & Present Wednesday, November 22 12:00 pm Mass + Audre Chaisson 🕇 João & Michael de Almeida **Thursday, November 23** 8:00 am Mass + Phyllis Kaiser Friday, November 24 8:00 am Mass Saturday, November 25 9:00 am Mass • Souls in Purgatory



SANCTUARY LAMP November 20-24 For all the Souls in Purgatory

In many places of worship a lamp signifies our constant prayer. The sanctuary lamp will burn for your particular prayer or intention. Contact the Parish Office if you wish to make an offering for your intentions.

> **LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL** Jordana Robinson Dan Haffey Connie Diaz Anne & Brian Allen

AND THE RECENTLY DECEASED Agnes Hwang Faviano Lee Eric Cha Manuel & Salvacion Dellomes Crispina Demavivas

St. John Chrysostom, pray for us



Ah yes, the Law of the Gift. A paradox: the more you give away, the more you receive. We're not meant to hold onto our gifts. They are meant to be given away. And in return we'll receive even more – thirty, sixty, a hundredfold (Mk.4:8). But what are these gifts? You know them. Bishop Robert Barron says, God gave them to us: life, breath, strength, abilities, our many blessings. Pope Francis adds: our Baptism, prayer, forgiveness and the sacrament of Jesus' sacrificed Body and Blood. Let's not hide the gifts God gave us. He wants us to share them. Give them away.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL The Society of St. Vincent de Paul would like to remind you that they are accepting donations for their Christmas Program. Donations can be made using the special blue envelopes available at the back of the church and placed in the collection basket/box or dropped off at the parish office during the week. Donations can also be made on-line by scanning the QR code. To best serve our families, please make your donations by November 24. Also, the Christmas Giving Tree will be set up by November 18. Please take a couple of stars and return these gifts **unwrapped** by December 3. Please keep your gift unwrapped and ensure your star is attached to the gift so that we can ensure that gifts make their **689**0 way to the appropriate recipient! Thank you for your generosity.

Archdiocesan Consultation Underway – Your Ideas will assist with future planning!

Archbishop Francis Leo is inviting the Catholic community to share thoughts and ideas regarding future pastoral planning in the Archdiocese of Toronto. Feedback will help inform a renewed Pastoral Plan to be used in the years ahead. To learn more about the process, read the letter of invitation from the archbishop and complete the short survey by **December 15, 2023**, please visit: <u>www.archtoronto.org/</u> <u>consultation</u> Please take a few minutes to share your insights and ideas. Thank you for your collaboration in this archdiocesan initiative.

MASS FOR THE FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADAUPE Tuesday, December 12th 7:00 PM bilingual

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The next CWL general meeting is this Tuesday, Nov 21st after the 7pm mass. Hear about Marlin Taylor's and Patsy Kloosterman's pilgrimage to Moosonee! The CWL Christmas dinner will be held on Tuesday, Dec 19th at 6pm. Tickets are \$35. Join us for a wonderful evening of food, entertainment, and a celebration of our sisterhood. All women of the parish are invited. For more information, contact Emily-Ana at stjohnchrysostomCWL@gmail.c om.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank the parish community for support-

ing the recent Oktoberfest dance. It was a night filled with fun, music and laughter. The Knights are proud to announce that we were able to raise \$1200.00 to be donated to Community Bread. Once again thank you for supporting the event.

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SUNDAY MISSALS NOW AVAILABLE

SUNDAY MISSAL 2023–2024 The **2023-2024** Sunday Missal is now available at the Parish Office. Pick up your copy. Cost **\$7 Cash.**



2024 CONFIRMATION CLASSES HAVE BEGUN!

 Parents: If you chose Wednesday Classes: Your child's second lesson is on Wednesday, November 29th at
5:00pm downstairs in the parish hall

If you chose Thursday Classes: Your child's first lesson is this Thursday, November 30th at 5:00pm downstairs in the parish hall



DAY OF CONFESSION

You are invited to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with us. Preparation for

and the celebration of Confession allows us to set aside disruptive ways, to be renewed in heart and spirit and to be reconciled with our God who abounds with gracious, gentle tenderness. At St. John's, Confessions will take place on **Tuesday**, **December 19th** from **3pm-6pm** and **7:30pm-8:30pm**. Let us return to the Lord with integrity.



MASS FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

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 **Friday**, **December 8.** Rosary at **6:30pm** and the Celebration of the Eucharist at **7pm**. Everyone is welcome. Morning Mass will **be CANCELLED**.



2024 FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES HAVE BEGUN!

Parents: If you chose Wednesday Classes: Your child's second lesson is this Wednesday, November 22nd at 5:00pm

downstairs in the parish hall If you chose Thursday Classes: Your child's first lesson is this Thursday, November 23rd at 5:00pm downstairs in the parish hall

2024 FRIARS STUDENT WRITING CONTEST

Submission Deadline: January 15

High school students (ages 13-19) in the Catholic Scholl Bards are invited to participate in this annual event commemorating the global Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (Jan. 18-25). Write a 500 word essay that explores the 2024 **Theme**: "You shall love the Lord your God...and your neighbour as yourself." (Luke 10:27).

Resources: https://rb.gy/wajo9 Submit entries to:

https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward Contact: ecumenical@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 ext 527 for more information.

Fantastic prizes for the top 3 submissions.

ENTERING INTO OUR MASTER'S JOY

"Well done, good and trustworthy slave; enter into the joy of your master" are the beautiful words that all of us long to hear after a life of following Christ. If we want to hear that spoken to us at our judgement we must live in such a way that fully embraces the spirituality of stewardship. Let us ask ourselves, how well are we using our gifts for the glory of God and the Church.



Share one hour with our Lord. Adoration is one way you can make prayer and spending time with Jesus a greater priority in your life. Join us *every* **Friday** from **4pm-7pm** for Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary, Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction. The next **First Friday Mass** will be on **December 1st** at **7pm**. **All are welcome**.

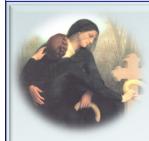
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VOCATIONS

"What will you say when you meet God face to face? Better still, what will God say

to you? Will you be able to answer that you served faithfully? Can you answer that now? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations Archdiocese of Toronto at: **416-968-0997** or email: **vocations@archtoronto.org**

November is the Month Dedicated to All Souls in Purgatory



The month of November is dedicated to All Souls in Purgatory. The Church commemorates all her faithful who have departed from this life, but have not yet attained the joys of heaven. St. Paul warns us that we must not be ignorant concerning the dead, nor sorrowful, "even as others who have no hope ... For the Lord Himself shall come down from heaven ... and the dead who are in Christ shall rise". The Church has always taught us to pray for those who have

gone into eternity. You are invited to privately pray the **Novena** "A Month with our Friends the Souls in Purgatory". Pick up your booklet from the Parish Office. A \$5 donation is appreciated. **Please pray for the souls in Purgatory.**

Collection received on Nov 11-12, 2023 **\$9,624.** 2023 Offertory Envelope user # **402**, please contact the Parish Office *Chank Yow*

OUR OFFERTORY COLLECTION





2023 Giving Tree and SSVP Christmas Program St. John Chrysostom / St. Elizabeth Seton

Dear Parishioners,

For over twenty years the parishioners of St. John Chrysostom and St. Elizabeth Seton churches have given generously to both the Giving Tree and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Program. We all, most faithfully live the Gospel by helping our brothers and sisters in need. Last year alone we assisted over 1,000 less fortunate people in our community. This included the seniors in local care homes, individuals living with physical and/or other challenges, residents of local shelters and the numerous families we regularly assist. Your generosity also allowed your Society of St. Vincent de Paul to sustain these families with food vouchers and fresh food baskets throughout the year.

For the Christmas Program that serves our Society of St. Vincent de Paul families, your donation will continue to go towards the purchase of grocery gift cards for parents and gift cards from a local store for their children. In addition, we will also be providing gift cards to a local store to others we have helped this past year.

For the Giving Tree Program, the Giving Tree will be set up in the foyer of both churches decorated with stars indicating gifts needed and prayers for those living in long-term care facilities, and seniors and other home-bound people living in our community. Although backed and supported by your Society of St Vincent de Paul, this program is primarily the organizational initiative of the two parishes in Newmarket, working together with the Society of St Vincent de Paul.

As much as ever, your gift or monetary donation will make a difference in the lives of those often left out at this special time of year. No amount is too small or too large. Donations can be made on or before **November 24th** using the attached envelope and mailed or dropped off at your respective parish.

You can also make **online donations** with a credit card on the Society of St. Vincent de Paul blog page at <u>https://sjcses.blogspot.com/p/christmas-program.html</u> or on the parish web sites.

We thank you for your continued support and prayers.

Giving Tree Program and Christmas Program Coordinators Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. John Chrysostom / St. Elizabeth Seton Conference





October 31, 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

May Jesus and Mary be in your soul.

It has been a true blessing and joy to spend time with so many Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto since my arrival in March 2023. This includes the dedicated priests and deacons, religious women and men as well as the numerous laity, parishioners, volunteers and all those who are working to strengthen the Body of Christ in our archdiocese in ecclesial movements and associations, as well as those serving in education, healthcare, social services and institutions.

The Archdiocese of Toronto is blessed with an abundance of workers in the vineyard of the Lord. I am grateful for your role in reflecting the face of Christ to all those we encounter each day. In his Sermon on the Mount (Mt. 5-7), our Divine Lord Jesus taught us that, as his disciples, we are salt of the earth and light of the world (Mt. 5:13-16). In fidelity to the mission to evangelize entrusted to the entire Church, let each one of us make every effort so as to proclaim Jesus Christ, bear witness to the Gospel and serve with a compassionate heart.

In 2013, our Archbishop-emeritus Cardinal Thomas Collins launched a Pastoral Plan to focus our attention and identify areas of emphasis to help bring us closer to the Lord, our faith and one another. It is now an appropriate time to review the current Pastoral Plan, updating the vision through the lens of 2023 and our current reality.

I would ask for your assistance in helping to identify what you believe to be key priorities and objectives as we move forward as a faith community. To be clear, this is not a synodal process – the synodal consultation requested by the Holy See, you may recall, took place locally in 2021-2022. Rather, I am reaching out to our archdiocesan family to solicit your thoughts and dreams, what you believe to be your **three key priorities** for our archdiocesan Pastoral Planning for the next decade. I encourage you to ground your reflection and responses in prayer to the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, so that He may inspire, guide and animate this Archdiocesan ecclesial process of consulting the Body of Christ.

I invite you to visit <u>www.archtoronto.org/consultation</u> to participate in our wide-spread consultation. We have made every effort to ensure the process is brief and efficient. Options are also available should you consult with others and wish to offer a group or hard copy submission. Please make sure every effort to complete your feedback by **December 15**, **2023**. We will then gather and analyze the results which will help guide us as we discern and craft an updated Pastoral Plan, to be shared at an appropriate time in 2024.

Be assured of my ongoing gratitude for all that you do and witness and prayers for your loved ones and communities. Let us entrust this consultation and reflection to the maternal mediation of Mary, Mother of the Church and through the powerful intercession of our archdiocesan patron, Saint Michael the Archangel.

Yours Sincerely in Jesus with Mary,

Francis Leo

Most Rev. Francis Leo Archbishop of Toronto

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