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# St. John Chysostom 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 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 vou 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

#### Second Sunday of Advent

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

**DECEMBER 9-16** Saturday, December 9 5:00 pm **Pro Populo** Sunday, December 10 **2nd Sunday of Advent** 8:30 am Mass Pro 10:00 am Mass Populo 12:00 pm Mass (Spanish) 1:30 pm Mass 6:30 pm (Chinese) Monday, December 11 8:00 am Mass + Lance Revnolds ♦ Dunham Children **Tuesday**. December 12 7:00 pm Mass Pro Populo **Feast of Our Lady** of Guadalupe Wednesday, December 13 12:00 pm Mass Hike & Craig Boland Peter & Josephine Ennamorato **Thursday, December 14** 8:00 am Mass **H** Janos Varga • Rvan Gartner Friday, December 15 8:00 am Mass Gary Wilkinson Saturday, December 16 9:00 am Mass Erin & Brandon Caruana

SANCTUARY LAMP December 11-16 For the Intentions of the Dunham Children: Kornelia, Mark, Brendan and Ryan

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

AND THE RECENTLY DECEASED Jahzira Grace Wakelin **Agnes Hwang** Faviano Lee Eric Cha

St. John Chrysostom, pray for us



John the Baptist played his role in preparing the people of Judea for the coming of Christ. Let us do our part, because we too, can play an important role in helping others encounter Christ. We can look

to John as a model of how to best lead others. The angels and saints in heaven rejoice whenever someone comes back to church, and we should do the same.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE** Thank you to everyone that supported the food drive last 🕚 weekend. We collected 376 lbs of food and over \$700 for the Newmarket Food Pantry. The CWL Christmas dinner will be held on Tuesday, December 19th . All women of the parish are invited to join 💦 us for an evening of fellowship, 🕅 food, and entertainment. Tickets are \$35 and will be available to purchase after each mass this weekend. An early bird draw will be held at the dinner for all those who have paid their membership dues (\$35) by that time. Be sure to pay your dues now to be included in the draw!

**2024 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES** Offertory envelopes for 2024 are now available for pick up at the entrance of the church. We will not be assigning numbered boxes but encourage you to pick up a regular box of envelops for your own use. Please consider donating by pre-Authorized Giving or by 💦 Credit Card. Call the Accounting Office at ext. 206 for more information on these methods. PAG and Credit Card donors are encouraged to pick up a regular box of envelopes to use for special collections. Please remember:

- ◆ Throw out your old envelopes. Your new box of offertory envelopes should only be used in 2024.
- ◆ Clearly print your name, address and phone # on each envelope for the first four weeks.
- The number on your box of envelopes is designated for your use only. Do not give your envelopes to anyone else.

**CHRISTMAS EVE DECEMBER 24. 2023** 4:30 pm English 6:30 pm Chinese 8:00 pm Spanish 10:00 pm English CHRISTMAS DAY **DECEMBER 25, 2023** 8:30 am English 10:00 am English 12:00 pm English 1:30 pm Spanish 6:30 pm Chinese **NEW YEAR'S EVE DECEMBER 31, 2023** 8:30 am English 10:00 am English 12:00 pm English 1:30 pm Spanish 6:30 pm Chinese **New Year's Day** 

CHRISTMAS MASS

SCHEDULE

#### **JANUARY 1, 2024**

8:30 am English 10:00 am English 12:00 pm English 1:30 pm Spanish 6:30 pm Chinese

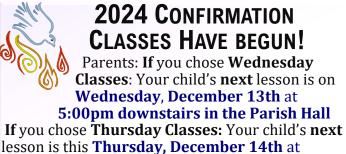


**OFFICE HOURS** Friday, December 22nd 9:00am - 12Noon December 25 & 26- Office Closed Friday, December 29th

9:00am - 12Noon January 1, 2024 - Office Closed

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#### December 10, 2023



5:00pm downstairs in the Parish Hall

## **2024 FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES HAVE BEGUN!**

Parents: If you chose Wednesday Classes: Your child's next lesson is Wednesday, January 10th at 5:00pm If you chose Thursday Classes: Your child's next lesson is Thursday, January 11th at 5:00pm

# Mass for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe



St. John Chrysostom Church will be celebrating the Mass for the Feast of our Lady of Guadalupe on Tuesday, December 12th at 7pm. It will be a bilingual Mass celebrated in English and Spanish. All are welcome

#### **Christmas Flowers**

We invite our Parishioners to donate toward the cost of flowers this Christmas. Please

place your gift in the "Flowers for Christmas" envelope and bring it to the office or place it in the white collection box at the entrance of the church. Using a numbered Offertory envelope? There is a special envelope included in your box dated **December 9-10**. The envelopes are also available at the entrance of the church.



#### Archdiocesan Consultation -Your Ideas will assist with future planning!

Archbishop Francis Leo is inviting the Catholic community to share thoughts and ideas. complete the short survey by December 15, 2023, please visit: www.archtoronto.org/consultation

#### Preparing the Way of the Lord

As stewards, we must imitate the example of John the Baptist and help prepare the way for others to encounter Christ. Peo-

ple can most readily encounter Christ through His church which is why we must play our part. This Advent and Christmas season, as we may begin to see new faces in the parish, let us welcome them with loving hearts and smiles.

#### 2024 Friars Student Writing Contest

Submission Deadline: January 15

High school students (ages 13-19) in the Catholic School Boards 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). https://www.catholicregister.org/writingaward

**EUCHARISTIC** ADORATION Share one hour with

our Lord. Adoration is one way you can make praver and spending time with Jesus a greater priority in vour 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 January 5th at 7pm.

All are welcome (Morning Mass is cancelled)

## VOCATIONS

John the Baptist is sent by God to prepare the way for His Son. In our present time God sends priests, religious and deacons to prepare the people to receive His Son. If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations Archdiocese

of Toronto at: 416-968-0997 oremail: vocations@archtoronto.org

**OUR OFFERTORY COLLECTION** Collection received on

Dec 2-3, 2023

\$13,931.

2023 Offertory Envelope

user **# 468**, please contact

the Parish Office

Thank You

# DAY OF CONFESSION



Let us prepare ourselves for the coming of the Lord. 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. Come to the sacrament of healing. Come to the sacrament of God's Mercy.

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# Mass for the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

"...nothing should frighten or grieve you. Let not your heart be disturbed. Do not fear that sickness, nor any other sickness or anguish. Am I not here, who is your Mother? Are you not under my protection? Am I not your health? Are you not happily within my fold? What else do you wish? Do not grieve nor be disturbed by anything."



—-Our Lady of Guadalupe to Juan Diego 1531

The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be celebrated at St. John Chrysostom Church on: **Tuesday, December 12, 2023** at **7:00 PM** (Bilingual Mass: English/Spanish) *Please join us Everyone is Welcome* 



Friday, December 29th 9:00am – 12Noon January 1, 2024 – Office Closed



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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