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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

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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

MASS INTENTIONS

DECEMBER 16-23
Saturday, December 16
5:00 pm Pro Populo
Sunday, December 17
3rd Sunday of Advent

8:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass 12:00 pm Mass

1:30 pm Mass (Spanish) 6:30 pm (Chinese)

Monday, December 18 8:00 am Mass

TRita & Patrick Shibley

† Emma Diaz

Tuesday, December 19

7:00 pm Mass

† Doreen Canning

◆ CWL Members Past & Present

Wednesday, December 20

12:00 pm Mass

* George Poupard

* Rev. John Szkodzinski

Thursday, December 21

8:00 am Mass

* Jameel Antonio

◆ Lourdes Halifax & Family

Friday, December 22 8:00 am Mass

¹¹ João & Michael de Almeida

♦ Mark McConville

Saturday, December 23

9:00 am Mass **T** Antonio Diaz

†Rev. John Szkodzinski

SANCTUARY LAMP December 18-23

For all the dedicated
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LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Jordana 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



"...Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."

(1 Thessalonians 5.16-24)

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

A reminder that the CWL Christmas dinner will be taking place this Tuesday, Dec 19th at 6pm. At the dinner, we will be collecting gift card donations for LOFT Outreach Services. Suggested gift cards include Walmart, Real Canadian Superstore, or Shopper's Drug Mart. Please purchase gift cards in \$10/\$15 denominations and ensure that the value of the card is indicated. If you will not be attending the dinner but would still like to donate, please contact Emily-Ana Filardo at 647-290-1020.

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.

SUNDAY MISSALS NOW AVAILABLE



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

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE CHRISTMAS EVE

Øecember 24, 2023

Sunday Morning: Regular Schedule

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

January 1, 2024

8:30 am English

10:00 am English

12:00 pm English 1:30 pm Spanish

6:30 pm Chinese

6:30 pm Chinese

OFFICE HOURS

Friday, December 22nd 9:00am – 12Noon

December 25 & 26— Office Closed

Friday, December 29th 9:00am – 12Noon

- AND THE REAL PROPERTY.

2024 CONFIRMATION CLASSES HAVE BEGUN!

Parents: If you chose Wednesday Classes: Your child's next lesson is on Wednesday, January 17th at 5:00pm downstairs in the Parish Hall

If you chose Thursday Classes: Your child's next lesson is this Thursday, January 18th at

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

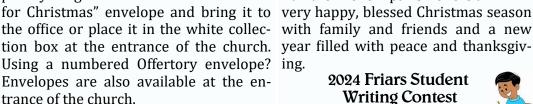


Legion of Mary Visitation Program

St. John Chrysostom Parish is offering parishioners the opportunity to respond to the requests made by the Blessed Mother during her apparitions at Fatima. To join the Legion of Mary Visitation Program or for more information visit: LEGIONOFMARYSIC432@GMAIL.COM or call Gary Marston at (905) 967-4698

Christmas Flowers

We invite our Parishioners to donate toward the cost of flowers this Christmas. Please place your gift in the "Flowers





This Gaudete Sunday St. Paul exhorts all of us to "rejoice always." Lets not complain about our difficult situations. The next time we are in a tough moment and people around us begin to complain, let us strive to steer the conversation into one of gratitude for the good things the Lord is doing in our lives.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The members of St. Vincent de Paul of St. John Chrysostom/St. Elizabeth Seton wish all their fellow parishioners a

2024 Friars Student Writing Contest 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 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 January 5th at 7pm. All are welcome.

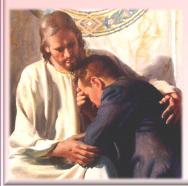
(Morning Mass is cancelled)

VOCATIONS

There was a man named John, sent by God, who came as a witness to testify to the Light, so that through this person all people might believe. Is it possible God could be calling your name to witness to the Light of Christ in our day? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations Archdiocese of Toronto at:

416-968-0997 oremail: vocations@archtoronto.org

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.

OUR OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Collection received on Dec 9-10, 2023

\$9,397.

2023 Offertory Envelope user # **468**, please contact the Parish Office

Chank You



O Mary, Queen of Peace, Restore Harmony in Or Families and the world, through thy powerful intercession with Jesus, the Prince of Peace

The Legion of Mary Pilgrim Virgin Home Visitation Program

The Pilgrim Virgin Home Visitation Program is an aid to help us respond to the requests made by the Blessed Mother during her apparitions at Fatima. The essence of her requests is threefold: Return to God, that is, turn away from sin and obey the Ten Commandments. Pray the Rosary every day for peace. Make reparation for our sins and the sins of others by some form of penance and sacrifice. An offering of the sacrifices required in performing the daily duties of one's state in life is a good starting point. The Pilgrim Virgin Statue is brought to your home by two members of the Legion of Mary (Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary Praesidium- St John Chrysostom

Parish) on a scheduled visit. We will do our best to accommodate your requested schedule. The statue will stay in your home for one week (Saturday to Saturday). Two days prior to the statue's arrival, a Legion member will contact you regarding the arrival time of the statue and to confirm your address. You are asked to set up a little home shrine where the Pilgrim Virgin Statue will be placed. A table covering, candles (or vigil lights), flowers, and other desired sacramentals should be in place. Upon the arrival of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue, all those present will gather at the shrine where the statue is placed and recite the Welcoming Prayers of the Pilgrim Virgin Home Visitation Program. You are encouraged to invite friends and neighbors to welcome Mary upon her arrival and have them join you in prayer each day the statue is in your home. During this time, you are encouraged to recite the Rosary each day and offer prayer intentions, petitions, and gratitude to Mary. Two days prior to the statue's departure (the next Saturday), a Legion member will call to discuss the time that the statue will be picked up. Upon the statue's departure, Legion members will join you in reciting the Farewell Prayers of the Pilgrim Virgin Home Visitation Program. If you have any questions regarding the Pilgrim Virgin Home Visitation Program or to sign up to have the statue brought to your home, please contact the Legion of Mary at:

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