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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

#### 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

## Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

VISIT TO ST. JOHN'S

We would like to welcome

His Grace, Archbishop Fran-

cis Leo, to St. John Chrysostom Par-

ish! Thank you for celebrating

Mass and blessing the icon of our

Patron Saint. It is really an honour

and a blessing to have you in our

midst. May the Lord, the interces-

sion of our Blessed Mother, Mary,

bless you with his wisdom and

with a heart after the heart of the

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

troduced by Pope Saint John

**February 11, 2024** is the 32nd

World Day of the Sick first in-

Paul II as a way for believers to offer

pravers for those suffering from ill-

nesses "It is not good that man

should be alone". To read Pope

Frances' Message "It is not good that

man should be alone" Healing the

Sick by Healing Relationships" visit:

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES** 

https://shorturl.at/fpxEG

Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ.

-a.

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

**JANUARY 27-FEBRUARY** Saturday, January 27 5:00 pm *Pro Populo* Sunday, January 28 Fourth 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 Mass (Chinese) Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Monday, January 29 8:00 am Rev. Manfred Schmid **Tuesday, January 30** 7:00 pm Mass Wednesday, January 31 12:00 pm Mass +Alejandro Malicay Jr. Franz Philip Thursday, February 1 8:00 am Mass Lourdes Halifax & Family Friday, February 2 7:00 pm Mass <sup>+</sup> Irene White + Stephen Martino Saturday, February 3 9:00 am Mass **†** Souls in Purgatory Members of the Legion of Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary Praesidium SANCTUARY LAMP **January 29-February 3** For the Intentions of the Spanish Community of

St. John Chrysostom Parish 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.



February 11 Patron Saint of the Sick I went every day for a fortnight, and each day I asked her who she was, and this petition always made her

smile. After the fortnight I asked her three times consecutively. She always smiled. At last I tried for the fourth time. She stopped smiling. With her arms down, she raised her eyes to Heaven and then, folding her hands over her breast she said, "I am the Immaculate Conception." ~Testimony of Saint Bernadette Soubirous (1858) READ MORE



Whenever we are asked why we take our faith and stewardship so

seriously, we should be able to see that these are prime opportuni-

ties to share the faith with others. The next time a family member

or friend asks us why we choose to follow Christ, let us share with

them how God has beautifully worked in our lives. This way, just as

*Jesus' fame spread in the Gospel, it can also spread here in the community.* 

Bishop Robert Barron says that "the minute you walk outside of your

church on Sunday you're in mission territory." As stewards, let us live this

missionary call and spread the good news of Jesus Christ.

**CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE** MASS WITH ARCHBISHOP FRANCIS LEO FEBRUARY 11, 2024 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ wedding anniversary in 2024 are invited to join in this celebration Mass on February 11th at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. Given the limited attendance at the Cathedral, we encourage milestone celebrants to register early. Information at:

www.archtoronto.org/marriage LIVESTREAM LINK: https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/

416-934-3400 ext. 523

ASH WEDNESDAY Masses & Ashes on Wednesday, February 14th at 12pm and 6pm in English and 8pm in **Spanish**. We ask that you bring us your palms from previous years by February 11<sup>th</sup> and leave them in the designated area at the entrance of the church.

> STATIONS OF THE CROSS Starting Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup> and every Friday during Lent at 7pm after Adoration,

Benediction, the Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. First Fridavs at 7:30pm. Please join us.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE** + The February CWL food drive will take place next weekend. Donations of non-expired, nonperishable items may be dropped off in the bin at the entrance of the church. Members of the CWL will also be on hand at each of the masses to accept cash donations.

St. John Chrysostom, pray for us

# LET US PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

**Jordana Robinson** Escolastica Furtado **Charlie** Cook

AND THE RECENTLY DECEASED Jahzira Grace Wakelin Milagros G. Alarcon John Kaye St. John Chrysostom, pray for us

## January 28, 2024



 Classes: Your child's next lesson is on Wednesday, February 14th at
 5:00pm downstairs in the Parish Hall

If you chose Thursday Classes: Your child's next lesson is this Thursday, February 15th at 5:00pm downstairs in the Parish Hall



#### PRESENTATION OF THE LORD FEBRUARY 2

The Presentation of the Lord is the encounter of Simeon and Anna with the Christ Child in the Temple. It is in that holy encounter that Jesus' divinity is manifested by a human prophet for the first time. **READ MORE** 

# SPREADING JESUS' FAME

In the Gospel today it says that after \_\_\_\_\_\_ Jesus healed a man with an un-



Jesus healed a man with an unclean spirit that his "fame began to spread throughout the sur-

rounding region of Galilee." So too, as stewards of Christ we should share the wonderful deeds God has done for us in order to evangelize those around us. This way, just as Jesus' fame spread in the Gospel, it can also spread here in the Archdiocese.

## SUBSCRIBE TO THE BULLETIN



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# 2024 FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES HAVE BEGUN!

Parents: **If** you chose **Wednesday Classes**: Your child's **next** lesson is

Wednesday, February 7th at 5:00pm

in the Parish Hall. If you chose Thursday Classes: Your child's next lesson is Thursday, February 8th at 5:00pm in the Parish Hall.

#### FEAST OF ST. BLAISE FEBRUARY 3

From the eighth century he has been invoked on behalf of the sick, especially those

afflicted with illnesses of the throat. And, according to legend, animals would come to him on their own for help but would never disturb him at prayer. On **Saturday, February 3** after the **9am** Mass, we will administer the blessing of the throats.

### **EASTER FLOWERS**

We welcome your help by making donations toward the cost of flowers

this Easter. Your donations may be made using the special envelope included in your offertory envelope box or the 'Flowers for Easter' envelopes at the entrance of the church. The Easter flowers will be used to decorate the sanctuary. Thank you for your generosity.

**ONE-WAY STREET** 



ONTARIO STREET IS A ONE-WAY STREET WITH NO LEGAL ACCESS FROM MAIN STREET. ACCESS ONLY FROM NIAGARA



#### Pastoral Letter from the Most Rev. Francis Leo "Seeking The Kingdom of God Above and Beyond All Other Things" Archbishon Francis Leo has released a Pastoral Letter to

Archbishop Francis Leo has released a Pastoral Letter to the Church of God in the Archdiocese of Toronto entitled, "Seeking The Kingdom of God Above and Beyond All Other

*Things*". This significant reflection from our spiritual shepherd is intended to offer a theological, spiritual, and pastoral meditation as we embark upon a New Year and our collective efforts to build and strengthen the Kingdom of God throughout our archdiocese. The Pastoral Letter can be accessed by visiting the archdiocesan website at: <u>www.archtoronto.org</u>.

## 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 **February 2nd** at **7pm**.

All are welcome. (Morning Mass is cancelled) VOCATIONS



Pray to know how God wants to use your talents and abilities. Could it be He is calling you

to consider priesthood, religious life or deaconate? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations Archdiocese of Toronto at:

416-968-0997 or email: vocations@archtoronto.org

# Our Offertory Collection

Collection received on Jan 20-21, 2024

\$8,445.



#### January 28, 2024

#### **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 CARDS

What to do with that <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> box of Christmas cards you didn't use... and all the

cards you received from loved ones far and near that are just to pretty too throw away? The Giving Tree program can use them. We can use both unused cards and their envelopes and used cards. A box will be provided near the bulletin board at the church in the next few weeks. Maybe you'll receive your own Christmas card back next year as a prayer card for a member of our community! If you have any questions or wish to donate cards throughout the year please email Christine at: <u>givingtreemm@gmail.com</u> Thanks for recycling!

#### FOR THE GIFT OF DIVERSITY IN THE CHURCH FOR JANUARY 2024



#### We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

#### POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER FOR FEBRUARY 2024

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary March 19



Saint Joseph was obedient to the Father in Heaven, and that obedience deepened his union with Mary his spouse, making their marriage the ideal family for the Son of God. Pope Saint John Paul II speaks of this fact in his apostolic exhortation Guardian of the Redeemer, when he says, "One can say that what Joseph did united him in an altogether special way to the faith of Mary. He accepted as truth, coming from God, the very thing that she had already accepted at the Annunciation" (#4). Saint Joseph's obedience is clearly seen in his response to four dreams by which an angel instructs Joseph how best to guard and protect the Son of God. Joseph acts immediately, in obedience, to the angel's in-**CONTINUE TO READ MORE** structions.

#### Prayer to St. Joseph

O God, Who in Your ineffable Providence did vouchsafe to choose Blessed Joseph to be the spouse of Your most holy Mother, grant, we beseech You, that he whom we venerate as our protector on earth may be our intercessor in Heaven. Who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.



January 12, 2024

#### **Christine Way Skinner**

St. Elizabeth Seaton & St John Chrysostom Churches
Mary McCluskey Giving Tree
432 Ontario Street,
Newmarket, Ontario
L3Y 2K4

Dear Christine,

I am writing to once again express gratitude on behalf of all the individuals who were sponsored in December 2023 through the Mary McCluskey Memorial Giving Tree as well as the Amica community. The following are emails from some of the folks who have been supported as well as their case managers:

YOUR SUPPORT SERVICES NETWORK

"I wanted to whole heartly thank you for your support and coordination of the Giving Tree for my client Laura M. She is a single person residing in supportive housing and has very little outside support and limited income. She was so delighted to be able to choose her items and receive a beautifully wrapped and thoughtful gift at Christmas time. This really made her holiday bright and special.

Thank you and your organization for all that you do to make our individuals season a truly memorable and pleasurable experience." All the very best, **Chantelle Bourdages RN BScN Registered Nurse Mental Health Case Manager –** Gestionnaire de Cas en Santé Mentale

"My client is heading to the Special Olympics in BC and was very surprised and happy, not only did he receive groceries and a grocery gift card but clothes that fit perfectly, which he can wear when away.

He was very happy, as was his appreciative mom."Thanks so much, Sonya Bonerath, Foundational Family Services, Family Support, YSSN

"Thank you so much for allowing me to participate in the 2023 giving tree. What I received allowed me to treat myself just a little as well as help me with a regular expense - which is extremely helpful. This program is so important for those that need just a little bit of help during the holiday season. Thank you again!" - Emilie

Thank you for all of your work and time in making this all happen. Laurie Sneek (she/her) OAP Foundational Family Service Provider| YSSN

My personal experience with delivering gifts to folks I serve has been expressions of tremendous joy and appreciation from recipients! (Steve Bransfield)

All the best for 2024 and thanks once more to Allyson and all the volunteers and parishioners who contributed their time and support!

Sincerely,

Stephen Bransfield

#### Stephen Bransfield

Case Manager, Flexible Supports Mental Health Program Your Support Services Network 905 898 6455 ex 2244

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Society of Saint Vincent de Paul St John Chrysostom/St Elizabeth Seton Conference 432 Ontario Street, Newmarket, Ontario L3Y 2K4 (905) 898-4264

# Thank you!

Your Society of St Vincent de Paul, St. John Chrysostom/St. Elizabeth Seton Conference, would like to thank all the parishioners of both our Newmarket parishes for your wonderful generosity in supporting your parish Giving Tree and St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Programs.

Your generosity and commitment to ensure that all members of our community are cared for is amazing. You can be sure that the recipients of this kindness are deeply grateful. This year, through your donations, we assisted 164 families with gift cards so 241children could have something special under the Christmas tree. In addition, we also gave Walmart cards to 91 single adults or seniors living on their own. Food assistance was also provided by way of a Good Food Box and grocery cards. With the money remaining we will be able to continue supporting these families throughout the year with food assistance. Through the Giving Tree Program, 278 seniors, adults and youth in need were served.

The Christmas season is a time for reaching out to those in need and your donations brightened up the season for many in our community.

We wish you all peace, happiness and above all, health for 2024.

Christine Allen, SSVP Christmas Program Coordinator & Christine Way Skinner, Giving Tree Coordinator

> The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul St John Chrysostom/St Elizabeth Seton Conference CRA Reg. Charity: 13241-0671-RR018

# Mass Schedule

# Wednesday February 14, 2024

12:00 PM—English 6:00 PM—English 8:00 PM—Spanish



If today you hear His voice, harden not your hearts. —Psalm 95:7-8



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:

# LEGIONOFMARYSJC432@GMAIL.COM or Gary Marston at (905) 967-4698

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