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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

Live-stream available

#### 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

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 — Josephine Catalano MacPherson josephinemacpherson1@gmail.com

## **Knights of Columbus**

Grand Knight – Vince Scarfone FB: https://www.facebook.com/KoC6643 Website: 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 Martyrs905-895-8530Notre Dame905-895-5001St. John Chrysostom905-895-7411St. Nicholas905-895-3777St. Paul905-895-4122Sacred Heart H.S.905-895-3340

Chaplain: Erica Gismondi

Trustee: Theresa McNicol 905-898-2210

## Third Sunday of Advent

## MASS INTENTIONS

DECEMBER 13-20
Saturday, December 13
5:00 pm Pro Populo
Sunday, December 14
Third Sunday of Advent

8:30 am Mass 10:00 am Mass 12:00 pm Mass 1:30 pm Mass Spanish

Ana Maria Folari De Suaznabar

6:30 pm Mass *Chinese* Monday, December 15 8:00 Am MASS

TAlfredo Covello

TDeacon William Daly Tuesday, December 16 7:00 PM MASS

**T**Giovannina Pulsone

♦ Arianna Williamson Wednesday, December 17

12:00 PM Mass

♦ Cindy & Ram Halifax

◆ Colleen De Simone

Thursday, December 18 8:00 AM MASS

**T**Ryan Gartner

†Eraldo Barrone

Friday, December 19 8:00 AM Mass

**T**Paolo Martire

Michael Joseph Collins

Saturday, December 20 9:00 AM MASS

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**T**Moises Quieta

#### SANCTUARY LAMP

December 15-19

In many places of worship a lamp signifies our constant prayer. The Sanctuary Lamp burns for the Repose of the Souls of

Deceased members of the † De Franco Family Deceased Members of the

†De Ruyte Family † Moises Quieta

† Francesco Sorrento The Sanctuary Lamp also

burns for the Health of

◆Berenice Ho ◆Adelaide Wong

Let us pray for all who are ill and all who are recently deceased

Please pray for all affected by natural disasters worldwide, especially victims of Hurricane Melissa in the Caribbean and Typhoon Kalmaegi in the Philippines, Vietnam, and Thailand. May the Lord comfort the bereaved and strengthen the displaced.



The Third Sunday of Advent invites us to pause in the midst of waiting and rejoice—Gaudete!—because the Lord is near. The readings for this Sunday are filled with a quiet but confident joy. Zephaniah calls God's people to shout for gladness because the Lord is in their midst. Paul echoes this in his letter to the Philippians: "Rejoice in the Lord always," not because everything is perfect, but because the Lord is close and His peace is stronger than our anxieties. In the Gospel, the crowds ask John the Baptist the same question we often ask in the bustle of Advent: What should we do? John's answer is simple and practical—share with those in need, act with integrity, and live with justice. Joy grows when love becomes concrete. As we stand in the midway light of Advent, this Sunday

reminds us that Christian joy is not naïve optimism; it is the calm assurance that God is at work—to heal, to guide, and to save. Even in waiting, we rejoice because God is already drawing near. May this week's joy soften our hearts, shape our choices, and prepare us to welcome Christ with readiness and hope.

## You

#### **PAY OF CONFESSION**

You are invited to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with

us. Confession helps us set aside what disrupts our hearts, renew our spirit, and be reconciled with our gracious and loving God. At St. John's, the opportunity to receive the sacrament of reconciliation will be offered on **Tuesday**, **December 16th** from **3:00pm - 6:00pm** and from **7:30pm-9:00pm**. Come experience the healing grace of God's forgiveness.



The CWL is inviting all women to join us for our Christmas dinner in the Parish Hall at 6pm on **December 18th**. Tickets are \$35 each and will be sold after all Masses this weekend and the next.

## Join US FOR COFFEE

Our Music Ministry in collaboration with the volunteers of Community Bread warmly invite you to join us in the stain-glass room, after the 10:00 am Mass on Sunday, December 21st, for coffee, treats and fellowship! Come enjoy a relaxed atmosphere, connect with fellow parishioners and make new friends. Everyone is welcome and we look forward to see-

#### CHRISTMAS J LOWERS

ing you there!

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.



# SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL CHRISTMAS



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSVP) would like to thank all who have already donated so generously to our annual Christmas fundraising campaign. For those parishioners that have not yet had a chance to donate, please be reminded that poverty, unfortunately, persists in our community. Help us make Christmas special for those in need. Please use the special blue SSVP envelopes available at the back of the church and place them in the church collection basket, or SSVP collection box, or drop off at the office during the week. Donations can also be made on-line at www.sicses.blogspot.com/ p/christmas-program.html or by using the QR code.

## Sunday MISSAL YOUNG CATHOLICS

# 2026 **Sunday** Missals FOR Young Catholics

We have received a donation of the 2026 Sunday Missals for Young Catholics. They have been placed in the pews for use by the

young and old alike during the Sunday liturgy for Advent and 2026. Please do not remove these missals from the pews.

# REJOICING AMIDST THE BARKNESS

Gaudete Sunday urges us to constantly rejoice in the Lord. Henri Nouwen describes joy as the ability to remain happy due to our awareness of being beloved children of God even amidst the trials of our life. So let us strive to be more intentionally joyful, and to pray to Christ for strength, for He says, "Ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be complete" (John 16:24).

# FIRST COMMUNION 2026

**CLASSES CONTINUE!** 

WHEN: Wednesday, January 7th @ 6pm if you chose Wednesdays for your child or Thursday, January 8th @ 6pm if you chose Thursdays

WHERE: Parish Hall; Main Street entrance **Ouestions**? 905-898-4137 or email us



WHEN: Wednesday, January 14th @ 6pm if you chose Wednesdays for your child or Thursday, January 15th @ 6pm if you chose Thursdays

WHERE: Parish Hall; Main Street entrance **Ouestions**? 905-898-4137 or email us



# CHRISTMAS MASS BridgeNorth, a survivor-led organization, has launched its "Imagine This" fundraising campaign in response to the growing



#### CHRISTMAS EVE DECEMBER 24, 2025

4:30 pm English 6:30 pm Chinese 8:00 pm Spanish

10:30 pm English

Christmas Carols 4:00 pm & 10:00 pm

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



**PEW PEAR'S CVE**DECEMBER 31, 2025

5:00 pm English

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



#### **Office Hours**

December 24th—9:00am – 12Noon December 25 & 26— Office Closed December 31st9:00am – 12Noon January 1, 2026 — Office Closed

## BRIDGENORTH

has launched its "Imagine This" fundraisring campaign in response to the growing number of young people reaching out for support. Every young person deserves safety, dignity, and the ability to imagine their future—and BridgeNorth is there to help make that possible. While most victims are female, male youth are also targeted. The Newmarket area and its surroundings have become key locations where traffickers recruit victims, particularly in shopping malls. In fact, 75% of reported trafficking cases in Canada occur in the Greater Toronto Area. We all have daughters, sons, grandchildren, and siblings who could be at risk. If you are new to BridgeNorth: the organization walks alongside youth who are vulnerable to, or have been affected by, sexual exploitation and trafficking. Their work centers on building trust, creating safety, and surrounding young people with consistent support, healthy relationships, and opportunities that promote healing, growth, and forward movement. They also equip families and communities with the knowledge needed to understand trafficking and protect youth before harm occurs. If you are able, please consider donating at https://imaginethis.raiselysite.com/ and help end human trafficking.



New: Until year-end, every donation to our parish's ShareLife campaign will be matched by an anonymous donor, up to \$500,000. Your gift will go twice as far to help those in need. Across Ontario, many families face hunger and uncertainty. Toronto food banks received over four million visits this year—500,000 more than last year. Together, we can make a real difference. Please give generously using a ShareLife envelope at the parish, through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

CHRISTMAS ∰ASS SCHEDULE

# **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. Our next First Friday Mass will be celebrated on:

**January 2nd** at **7pm**. (*Morning Mass is cancelled*)

## **POCATIONS**

"See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you." Are you one to be sent? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at:

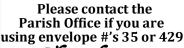
**416-968-0997** or vocations@archtoronto.org

# Sunday Missals Now Available

The **2025-2026** Sunday Missal is now available at the Parish Office. Pick up your copy. Cost **\$7** Cash.

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