

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Tuesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>**

† Gerry & Tilly Vanderreest

**Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>**

Special intentions of Elaine Attwood

**Thursday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> – Holy Thursday**

**Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> – Good Friday**

**Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup> – Easter Vigil**

## SANCTUARY LIGHT

The sanctuary lamp burns this week for grace to enter deeply into the mysteries of the Triduum.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Jacob McLean, Dawn Ruthven,  
Raphael Ng, Margaret (Peggy) McCarthy, Agnes Von  
Mehren, Ella Careira, Patricia Doiron,  
Gerry Genuino, Evelyn Wemigwans,  
Philip Nicolaoas, Carmel Richard, Linda Duke,  
Vivian Holland, Richard Keating, Joanna Hodson,  
Elaine Attwood

*Those wishing to add a loved one to the parish Mass intentions or list of the sick are kindly asked to contact the parish office.*

## WEEKLY REFLECTION

Jesus Christ came to bring us the kingdom of God. He is the true King who offers peace, joy, and everlasting life for those who accept his kingship. Does the King of glory find a welcome entry in your heart and home? Do your walls echo with the praise of his glory?

***Lord Jesus, be the King and Ruler of my heart, mind, life, and home. May my life reflect your meekness and humility that you may be honored as the King of glory!***

## EASTER TRIDUUM

**MASS OF THE LAST SUPPER: HOLY THURSDAY**

April 2 – 7PM

*\*There will be no 8:15AM Mass*

**THE PASSION OF THE LORD: GOOD FRIDAY**

April 3 – 12PM & 3PM

Stations of the Cross – 7PM

*\*There will be no 8:15AM Mass*

**EASTER VIGIL – APRIL 4**

April 4 – 8PM

*\*There will be no 4:30PM Mass*

**EASTER SUNDAY – APRIL 5**

9AM – Celebrant & Homilist: Fr. Joshua Roldan

11AM – Celebrant & Homilist: Most Rev. Robert Kasun,  
C.S.B., Auxiliary Bishop

## TUESDAYS OF EASTER: FAITH FORMATION SERIES

St. John's Parish invites you to join us for **Tuesdays of Easter** in the Upper Lounge. From **7:00–8:30 p.m.**, Fr. Joshua will continue leading a faith formation series featuring *Catholicism* by Bishop Robert Barron. Together, we'll explore the beauty, depth, and richness of our Catholic faith through teaching, discussion, and community.

**All are welcome – come when you can.** Attendance at every session isn't required; simply join as your schedule allows.

**Upcoming Session Dates:** April 7; April 14 (Parish Hall); April 21; April 28; May 5; May 12 (Parish Hall)  
*\*Please note, some sessions will take place in the Parish Hall*

## OFFICE CLOSURE NOTICE

Please note that the parish office will be closed on **Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> for Good Friday**, and **Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup> for Easter Monday**.  
On behalf of the parish staff, we wish you a blessed and joyful Easter weekend.

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Youth Ministry @StJohnsTOYouth



## PARISH NEWS/EVENTS

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### EASTER TRIDUUM COLLECTIONS

*Holy Thursday* – Supports the needs of the poor in our community through St. Vincent de Paul.

*Good Friday* – Collection for the Needs of the Holy Land.

*Easter Sunday* – Supports the mission and needs of our parish.

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### EASTER CHURCH DECORATING & CLEAN-UP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for helping hands on **Saturday, April 4th at 10:00 a.m.** to prepare our church for Easter. Volunteers will assist with setting up the Easter lilies and giving the church a thorough clean after the Holy Thursday and Good Friday liturgies. Your time and care will help make our worship space beautiful for the Easter celebration. All are welcome to join! If you would like to volunteer, please contact Adriana at the parish office: [stjohnsto@archtoronto.org](mailto:stjohnsto@archtoronto.org).

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### THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE EASTER FOOD DRIVE!

Thank you to everyone who donated to our Easter food drive for Good Shepherd Ministry! Your generosity helps feed and support members of our community who need it most.

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### NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK – VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER!

St. John's Parish will be hosting a special celebration during National Volunteer Week this April to honour those who generously share their time and talents in service to our community.

**Please note:** Invitations were emailed to parish volunteers whose current volunteer documentation is on file.

If you actively serve in any ministry and did not receive an email invitation, we warmly invite you to contact the parish office so we can ensure our records are up to date. We look forward to celebrating the wonderful people who help our parish thrive!

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## YOUTH MINISTRY

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### EDGE MINISTRY PROGRAM!

Edge is a Catholic middle school ministry for Grades 6–8 that offers a fun, welcoming space to build community, grow in friendship, and deepen faith through games, small group discussions, light snacks, and shared exploration in the parish hall. Edge nights run every other **Friday from 6:30–8:00 PM** on the following dates: **April 17, May 15, and May 29**. New participants are always welcome. Registration forms are available in the church foyer or parish office, and the yearly fee is \$25 per child to help cover program costs and materials. For more information, please contact our Youth Minister, Mercy, at [stjohnsym@archtoronto.org](mailto:stjohnsym@archtoronto.org).



### EDGE CAMP – OVERNIGHT SUMMER CAMP EXPERIENCE

All EDGE youth registered in our ministry program are invited to attend EDGE Camp, an overnight summer camp at Camp White Pine (Haliburton, Ontario) from **August 19–23, 2026**. EDGE Camp offers a fun, Christ-centered week with catechesis, Mass, praise & worship, and fellowship with other EDGE parishes across the Archdiocese of Toronto.

**Registration opened March 1, 2026**

**Early-bird:** \$500 (until April 24)

**Regular:** \$575 (until May 22)

The fee includes transportation, accommodations, meals, activities, and camp merchandise. For details and the registration link, please email Mercy at [stjohnsym@archtoronto.org](mailto:stjohnsym@archtoronto.org).

We want every young person who hopes to attend to have the chance to experience this unforgettable week. Gifts of \$20–\$500 help provide a full camp experience filled with friendship, faith, and lasting memories. To support a camper, please place your donation in the offertory basket labeled “**Edge Camp Sponsor**” **with your name**, or visit the parish office. All gifts are eligible for tax receipts. Thank you for helping our youth encounter Christ in such a joyful and transformative way.