

# Parish of Saint John

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**Sunday Masses:**

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am

**Weekday Masses:**

Tuesday - Friday 8:15 am

**Baptisms:** Please email the parish office.

**Marriage:** Please email the parish office one year before.

**Reconciliation:**

Saturdays - 3:45 pm - 4:15 pm

Also available other times by appointment.

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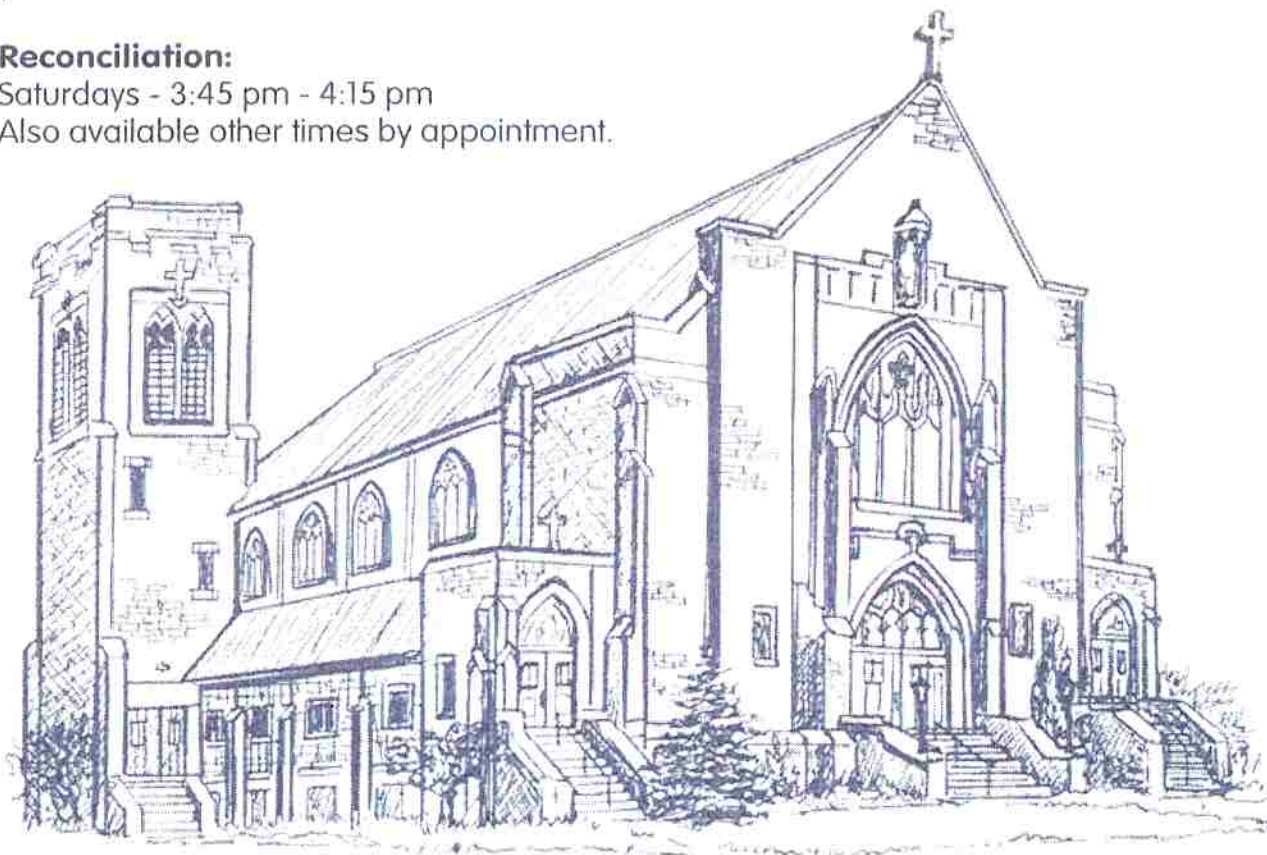
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**Office Hours:**

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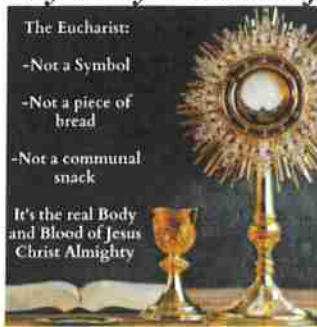
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**Please Register with the Parish**  
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**PRAY THE ROSARY**

**Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ**



**From the Pastor's Desk: WORD AND SACRAMENT:** In reflecting on the sacred liturgy in this column, the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ is a good occasion to look ahead towards the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Last week we noted that there are two principal parts of every Mass: The Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist. They are preceded and followed by short opening and closing rites that spiritually lead us to and away from this two-fold essence of the Mass. In the Liturgy of the Word, we believe that God is speaking to us afresh every time we hear the scriptures proclaimed, most especially when the words of Jesus sound again in the ears of the Church with every Gospel; then, in the Liturgy of the Eucharist, we believe that it is the very same Lord who has spoken to us through his Word who becomes really and substantially present in the Eucharist we receive. One way to think about the relationship between the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist is that these particular holy scriptures that I am hearing today are preparing me to receive the Lord at this particular Mass. There is always a tight relationship between word and sacrament in the Church's understanding of the sacred mysteries. This is all the more reason to pay attention and even cherish every word of the scriptures proclaimed, knowing that you are being prepared to receive the very Body and Blood of the Lord Jesus, being disposed to all the graces that you might be able to receive on this day of your life. Then receive the Lord with an ever-deeper sense of awe and wonder that you are partaking of the body of Jesus who hung on the Cross for you, was raised from the dead, and is now seated at the right hand of the Father. Jesus Christ, Son of God, Saviour: this is whom you receive in Holy Communion, and it is an awesome thing beyond mere human comprehension. After Communion, be sure to say prayers of thanksgiving that God has blessed us with this awesome way to be filled with every grace and heavenly blessing. Then go forth and bring this good news to all those God brings into your life.



God our Father, you generously grant us all the gifts we have. Help us to understand that it is in the giving that we receive.



	2023	2024
Sunday Offertory	\$ 3360	\$ 3077
Offertory PAG	\$ 1421	\$ 1444

**MESSAGE OF ARCHBISHOP LEO ON DEVOTION TO THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS:**

"Dear Brothers and Sisters, May Jesus and Mary be in your souls. Our life in Christ, as believers & disciples, witnesses & missionaries, takes on a particular dimension during the course of the month of June as, in Catholic devotional life, we honour in a very special way the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. I invite all the faithful of the Archdiocese of Toronto to join in celebrating Our Lord with this venerable devotion throughout the entire month and especially on June 7th this year, the liturgical celebration of the Solemnity. At home and in parishes, schools and different communities – let us draw closer to Christ and adore Him with deep faith and devotion.... let us be reminded that the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus represents our public witness of love, care, acceptance and redemption; it is the only symbol we need in reaching out and assisting our contemporaries – men, women and children" For the full three page letter from Archbishop Leo, visit our website or a copy can be obtained from the office.



**Mass Intentions**

Tuesday, June 4th

For + LAWRENCE RYAN  
Requested by Riet Ryan

Wednesday, June 5th

For + MICHELE MILES  
Requested by Vince & Gillian Haughey

Thursday, June 6th

For INTENTIONS OF ELSIE BAPTISTE  
Requested by The Family

Friday, June 7th

For + MARY DONNOLLY  
Requested by The Donnolly Family

Saturday, June 8th

For INTENTIONS OF THE RICHARDSON FAMILY  
Requested by The Talbot Family



The Sanctuary Light burns this week  
in loving memory of  
Greg Patrick Chow



**Rest in Peace**

In your charity please pray for the repose of the soul of  
Rev. Fred Foley & Rev. Paul Lennon

**Please Pray For The Sick**

Christina Jopling, John Rao, Nancy Smith, Chiu Wong,  
Gillian Haughey, Isabel Cairns, Carmel Richard

Come join us in praying the ROSARY before Mass,  
Tuesday to Friday at 7:45 am



**In The News**

**FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING**

**WEBINAR JUNE 8TH AT 9 AM:** Learn: How to avoid problems: in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection. How to create your own legacy. About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals. Full details on the flyer in the vestibule. Register by following this QR link [qrco.de/WebJune08](http://qrco.de/WebJune08) or send an email to the address below with "Webinar June 8th" in subject line to [Development@ArchToronto.org](mailto:Development@ArchToronto.org).



**ORATORY OF ST PHILIP NERI RE: THEOLOGY**

**SUMMER SCHOOL:** The first week (July 1 to 5) of the Summer School is a systematic introduction to The Catechism of the Catholic Church. The five-day course has three lectures per day that provide a solid foundation for navigating the Catechism on one's own, either for personal reading or for use in home schooling, RCIA courses or Catholic schools. The topic for the second week (July 8 to 12) is Evangelizing the Modern World. It is recommended that students take the first session before taking the second but not required. In both weeks, lectures will be at 8:30 am, 11 am., and 1:15 pm. EST, with Mass at 10 am. The course will also be available online. Those enrolled in the course can attend live through Zoom. A residence option is also available. More information including registration instructions can be found at <https://oratory-toronto.org/summer-school/>.

**SEEKING CANDIDATES FOR A NEW FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM FOR YOUNG CATHOLIC PROFESSIONALS:**

Do you know talented, young Catholic professionals, with the potential to be impactful leaders in society for the mission of the Church? We invite you to share with them a newly launched fellowship program in the Archdiocese of Toronto, the Lumen Gentium Forum. The Lumen Gentium Forum is an eight-month experience focused on building up Catholic leaders for the Church and for society, offered by CAPP-Canada—the Canadian arm of a Vatican foundation founded by Pope Saint John Paul II—and launched in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Toronto. For more information contact Brendan Steven [brendan@lumenforum.ca](mailto:brendan@lumenforum.ca) or Robin D'Souza [robin@lumenforum.ca](mailto:robin@lumenforum.ca)

**LEVEL 1 AND LEVEL 2 CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD FORMATION COURSE:**

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) office is happy to announce a rare offering: this July, we will be offering a simultaneous CGS Formation Courses: Level I (for children aged 3–6) and Level II (for children aged 6–9, including sacramental prep). The courses will be offered at the same time and location in order to foster greater community and to enable parishes to form new Level I CGS catechists so that their experienced CGS catechists can prepare for catechesis with older children. Registration is for the first half of the course: Part A. Part B for each course will be offered in July of 2025. Contact Anna Boyagoda, [aboyagoda@archtoronto.org](mailto:aboyagoda@archtoronto.org) for more information.

*Pope's Prayer for June*

*"Let us pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys fraught with danger and violence, may find welcome and new living opportunities in their host countries"*

**Parish News**

**CONGRATULATIONS DEACON PAUL:**

on your 8th Year Anniversary as a Deacon. Thank you for your contributions to St. John's and especially this year with the Alpha program.



**THANK YOU JOAN BREECH!:** Recognizing her extraordinary four decades of service on St. John's Finance Council, we presented Joan Breech with a token of heartfelt appreciation and thanks after her presentation last week. Thank you, Joan, for the dedication to your parish ... and please keep up this great work!

**SPECIAL PRAYER LIST FOR FATHERS:** If you would like to add your Father's name on our special prayer list in honour of them, complete the special envelopes, available in the vestibule, with their first and last name, and drop it into the collection basket by June 9th. A list of names will be printed and placed by Sacred Heart to be prayed for on Sunday June 16th. Donations are welcome.

**FATHER'S DAY BBQ – SATURDAY, JUNE 15TH:** All are welcome to our Parish Father's Day BBQ on Saturday June 15th in the Parish Parking lot behind the church (weather permitting). Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, salad and a drink will be served. Enjoy a fun family game while socializing with your parish family. Help us to plan for the event by emailing the parish email and letting us know if you will be attending and how many. Deadline Monday June 10th.



On May 17th we celebrated one of our longest standing parishioner's birthday as she turned 105 years young. Continued blessings to you Lena McDougall! Lena is one of the many parishioners that we serve at home or celebrate a monthly Mass at their retirement homes, thanks to our Ministry to the Homebound.

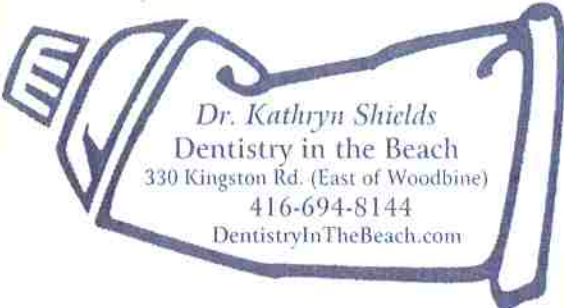
**SAVE THE DATE!:** Join us on the weekend of June 22-23, for a reception after all Masses to thank Fr. John-Mark for his ministry and contributions to St. John's and to wish him well as Pastor of Precious Blood Parish. We hope to see you there.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BUNDLE UP SUNDAY!** The weekend of June 22-23. Bring your gently used items to the truck that will be in the driveway between the church and the house. On that weekend only! See the flyer in the vestibule for list of acceptable items.

**Little Levity:** John is drinking in a bar when Sr. Rosemary harasses him about drinking. In self-defense John says, "Who told you that drinking is bad?" Sr. Rosemary says, "Mother Superior told me." To which John asks, "So, have you ever tried it?" Sr. Rosemary replies, "No, I haven't ever taken a drink of hard liquor." John says, "Well then, don't criticize me if you haven't tried it. I'll tell you what if you try it and don't like it, I'll give up drinking for life." Sr. Rosemary, "Okay but bring it in a tea cup. I don't want people thinking I'm drinking." John goes up to the bartender and says, "Bring me a couple of shots of vodka but bring one of them in a tea cup." The bartender looks at John and says, "Is Sr. Rosemary in here again?" *Peace begins with a smile.....St. Teresa*



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