

Parish of Saint John

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Sunday Masses:

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am

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Tuesday - Friday 8:15 am

Office Hours:

Tuesday - Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

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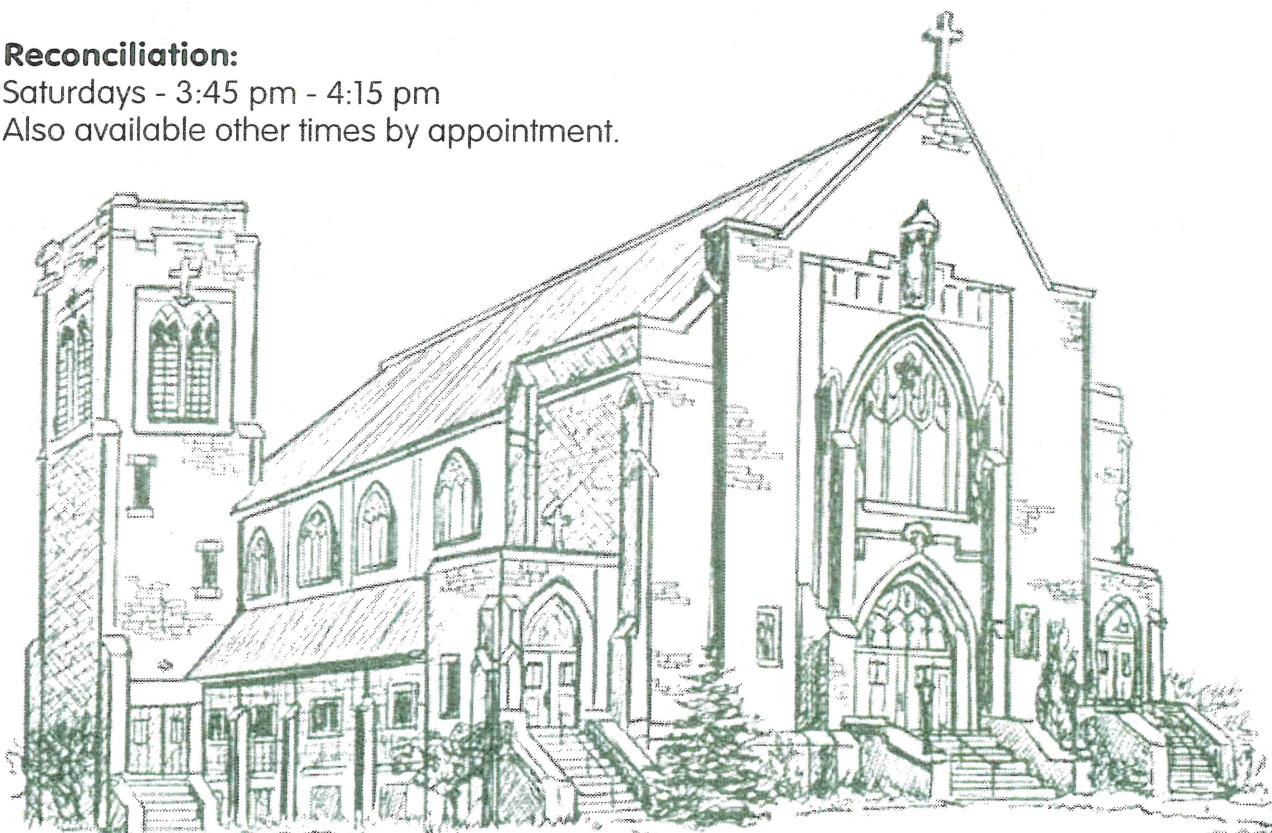
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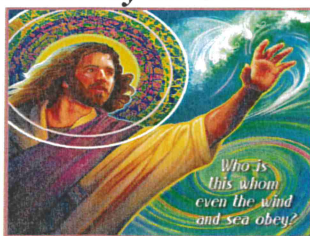
Saturdays - 3:45 pm - 4:15 pm

Also available other times by appointment.



PRAY THE ROSARY

Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time



From the Pastor's Desk: ADIEU TO ST. JOHN'S: As King David sings in Psalm 108: "My heart is ready, O God; my heart is ready. I will sing, I will sing your praise. Awake, my soul; awake, lyre and harp. I will awake the dawn." It has been my privilege to sing the Lord's praises with you at St. John's Parish these last four years. I am grateful that I got to know you all twice: once with masks, and then again without. (And I much prefer the latter.) It is the unique privilege of a priest to walk alongside God's people through a great variety of life's journeys. The greatest regret of leaving a parish is knowing that I won't be continuing to walk with you on those journeys still in progress, but I am very thankful that a fine priest is coming to St. John's to continue the work of accompaniment. I am confidently handing on the keys to Fr. Joshua Roldan as I begin new journeys as the pastor of Precious Blood Parish. I thank all of you for your support and encouragement, and most especially for your prayers. I have always believed that my work would not be possible without the prayers of you, the parishioners. All the words of encouragement, even brief ones, have meant a great deal. I have seen the Lord doing great things among us, and I pray that He will continue to bless you and all your loved ones with "every spiritual blessings in the heavenly places." (Eph. 1:3)

GOSPEL REFLECTION: In [Mark 4:35-41](#) we come to a familiar story that pushes us to ask an important question: Who do we believe God to be? And along with that a related question: how does our understanding of who God is impact the way we respond to difficult seasons in life? These are important questions and questions that at times have divergent answers. While we profess a high view of God and of His power and goodness, we may be tempted to view our situations and respond with worry and fear. We may determine that God is negligent or uncaring. The story of Jesus calming the storm is a story about the revelation of Jesus as God. In addition we have the reminder that He can be trusted. Like the disciples we must consider whether we will respond to the situations of our lives with faith in God or with fear of our situations...LPi

Please Pray For The Sick

Brian Young-Pong, Christina Jopling, John Rao, Nancy Smith, Chiu Wong, Gillian Haughey, Isabel Cairns, Carmel Richard

*The Sanctuary Light burns this week
in loving memory of
William Forbes*



Come pray the Rosary with us before Mass, Tuesday to Friday at 7:45 am.



PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS FOR DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART:

Make a Holy Hour of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. This was emphasized in the private revelation to St Margaret Mary. Spending an hour with Jesus is the only thing relating to himself that he specifically asked of us, when he said in the Garden of Gethsemane: "So, could you not watch with me one hour?" (Matthew 26:40) One can make this Holy Hour with any frequency



-Read a portion of one of the Gospels every day. It might perhaps be the Gospel reading for the Mass of the day, or it might simply be a chapter a day. Each chapter takes only a few minutes to read prayerfully, so as to encounter Jesus, and to experience the love of his Sacred Heart.

-It is spiritually valuable to participate in Mass at any time, but to do so on consecutive First Fridays is a custom associated with devotion to the Sacred Heart.

-Place an image of the Sacred Heart in your home, and consecrate your family to the Sacred Heart. As it has been said, the family that prays together stays together, and both devotion to the love of the Sacred Heart and the praying of the Rosary can strengthen the love at the heart of each family. For a service of consecration of the family, see *A Heart on Fire*, by Father James Kubicki, pp 164-168.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, June 25th

For + ARTHUR EKENE MBAEGBU
Requested by Jennifer Mbaeghu

Wednesday, June 26th

For INTENTIONS OF PAULA ARMSTRONG
Requested by Parish Family

Thursday, June 27th

For INTENTIONS FR. JOHN-MARK MISSIO

Friday, June 28th

For INTENTIONS OF DAVID BREECH

Saturday, June 29th

For + QUITERIA VELAZQUEZ ACUNA
Requested by The Tellez-Mitchell Family



Now that school is out we wish all those a safe and enjoyable summer holiday. While you are away, the parish will continue to celebrate daily and Sunday Masses. Sadly, the bills do not take a holiday and still need to be paid. Please continue to support your Parish Church throughout the summer. A great way is to consider using Pre Authorized Giving (PAG). Contact the office if you want more information. Alternatively, scan the QR code below and the link will take you to our "Donate" button on our website where you can donate through your credit card; don't forget to select "St. John's Parish, Toronto" in the drop down menu. Happy Holidays!!!



	2023	2024
Sunday Offertory	\$ 2945	\$ 3145
Offertory PAG	\$ 1421	\$ 1444

In The News



ARCHBISHOP LEO WRITES TO MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT:

Regarding Bill S-210: On Wednesday, June 12, 2024, the Most Reverend Francis Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto wrote to Members of Parliament in ridings within the Archdiocese of Toronto regarding the

proposed Bill S-210 which seeks to protect youth from access to explicit online material.

In his letter encouraging MP's to support the bill, Archbishop Leo writes, "This piece of legislation would be a step forward as we look to build a society which is free from such detrimental and unethical practices, protected against a toxic industry which normalizes the degradation of human persons, desensitizes the spirit and celebrates violence and immorality." "We look to a future imbued with a robust moral fabric which allows for individuals, families and communities to thrive, to grow and to lead lives of fulfillment and where our children are kept safe from such addictive and noxious influences."

[Full text of the archbishop's letter can be found here.](#)

According to the [Parliament of Canada website](#), the purpose of Bill S-210 is, "to protect public health and public safety and, in particular, to: protect the mental health of young persons by restricting their access to sexually explicit material; protect Canadians — in particular, young persons and women — from the harmful effects of the exposure of young persons to sexually explicit material, including demeaning material and material depicting sexual violence; and deter organizations that make sexually explicit material available on the Internet for commercial purposes from allowing young persons to access that material." Catholics wishing to respectfully express their views on this matter are welcome to contact their local MP and can find contact information by visiting www.ourcommons.ca/members/en

DAY OF PRAYER AND HEALING: There is always hope. The pain and sorrow of abortion does not need to endure for a lifetime. A "Day of Prayer and Healing" on Saturday July 27, from 9 am to 5:30 pm, offers the opportunity to experience the love and mercy of God and to respond to His invitation to begin the journey of healing the wound of abortion. This day includes a testimony, times of prayer, lunch, the opportunity for Confession and Mass. For more details, locations and confidential registration, or just to talk to a Sister, please call the Sisters of Life at 416-463-2722 or reach us by email at tonto@sistersoflife.org.

ARE YOU A GRADUATE AND GOING OFF TO A GTA UNIVERSITY OR COLLEGE? Would you like to discover how the campus ministry at your school meets the spiritual needs of students today? Connect with the campus ministry community to build a network of prayer, friendship and support through this link.

<https://bit.ly/CampusMinistryAlumniconnections>



CONGRATULATIONS: to all graduating from elementary, high school, college or university! We wish you all God's blessings as you begin your new journey in life. Remember to keep Him close!

Parish News

WELCOME!: Next week Wednesday afternoon, we welcome our new Pastor, Fr. Joshua Roldan. Fr. Joshua has served throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto from his hometown in Mississauga and was ordained on May 11, 2013. He has been an Associate Pastor at St. Francis Xavier parish in Mississauga, Pastor at Holy Martyrs of Japan Parish in Bradford and his most recent position, Director Office of Youth in the Archdiocese of Toronto. We look forward to getting to know Fr. Joshua more as he continues his journey with us here at St. John's Parish. Welcome Fr. Joshua!




We welcome the newest members of our parish family: Grace Dix & Isabella Barefoot-Fiore

A GREAT TIME: was had by all at the Parish BBQ last Saturday in the sunshine amidst the magnificent sky's which you can see captured by our budding photographer Liam. There was plenty to interest young and old; from catching up with parishioners and meeting new ones to face painting, and some good old fashioned toss games. The BBQ, which was excellent, with burgers, hot dogs and salads, and cooked on site by a valiant team of Paul Power and our friend Brian who worked tirelessly in the heat. For dessert, a sumptuous Puto, which is a Filipino, rice cake made by The Febria's & refreshing watermelon slices. Thank you to those who helped make this happen, especially, Rachel, Annie & Ximena from Notre Dame High School, The entire Young-Bilolchi Family led by Carmen & John, and they brought neighboring friends to help, to fabulous parish volunteers Don, Gabrielle, Joan, Lisa, Mary, Noel, Sandhya. And of course to all who attended and partook. We give thanks!




Little Levity: Jesus and Moses are golfing. Jesus says, "Watch this drive. It'll be just like Tiger Woods." He hits the ball and it lands in the lake. Moses says, "I'll get it." He goes down to the lake, parts the water and retrieves the ball. "Okay," Jesus says, "This time, it WILL be just like Tiger Woods." He hits the ball and again, it lands in the lake. Moses goes down, parts the lake and retrieves the ball. "Third time is a charm," Jesus says. "Watch, just like Tiger Woods." And for the third time he hits the ball into the lake. Moses says, "This time, you can get it yourself!" As Jesus is down walking on the water looking for the ball, a crowd has formed. One guy says, "Who does he think he is, Jesus Christ?" "No," Moses says. "He thinks he's Tiger Woods." *Peace begins with a smile.....St. Teresa*



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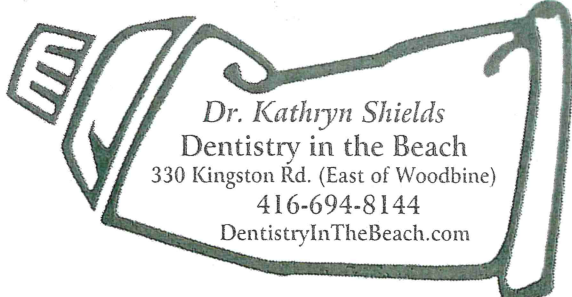
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