

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.

Parish Schools:

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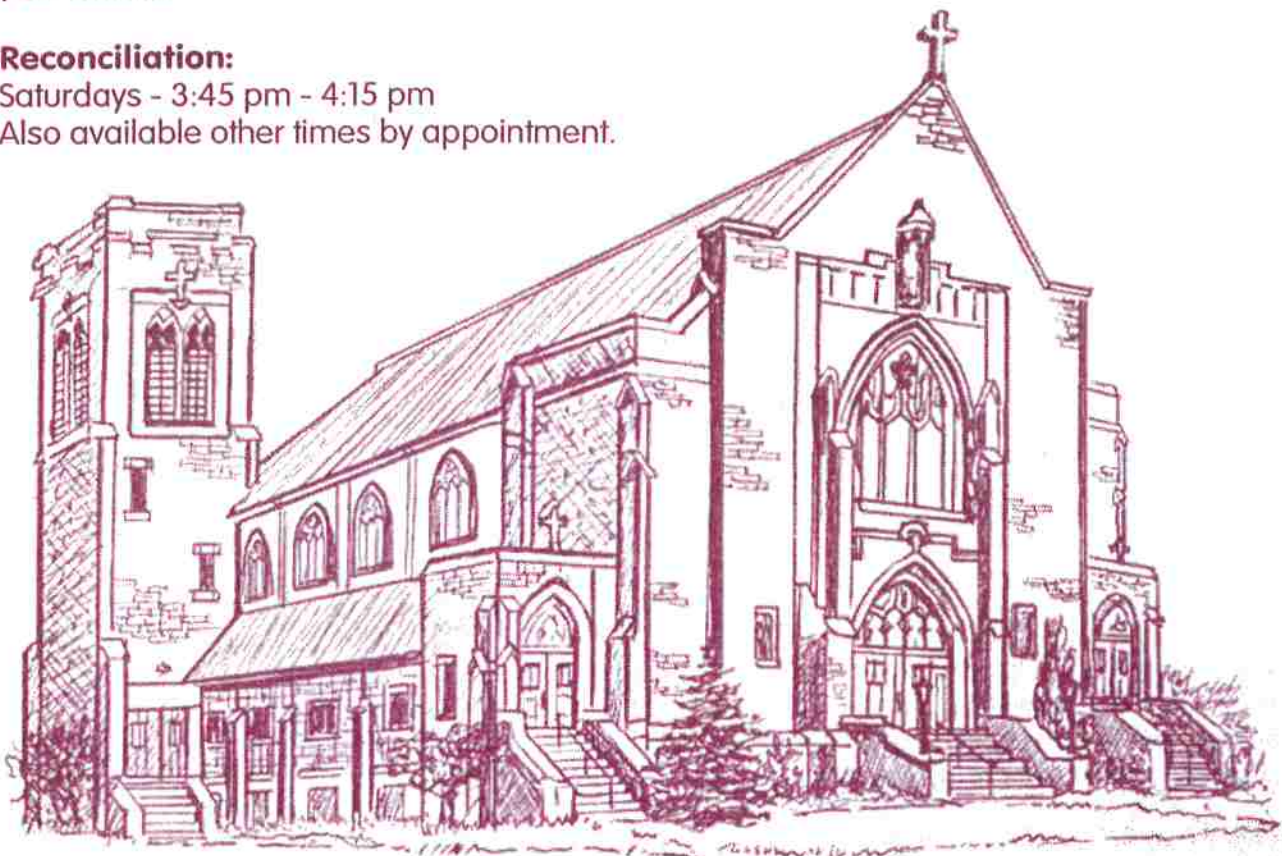
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Office Hours:

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

Closed between 12:00 - 1:00 pm

Please Register with the Parish
so we can assist you.



PRAY THE ROSARY

Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time



Reflection: Today's readings highlight the importance of unity, family, and following God's will. They remind us of the value of marriage, the role of children, and Jesus' teachings on these topics.

Unity in Marriage: God creates woman as a partner for man, showing that marriage is meant to be a union of equals. This unity is blessed by God.

Importance of Family: The readings emphasize the family as the basic unit of society. Jesus' love for children highlights the importance of nurturing and caring for family members.

God's Plan for Marriage: Jesus teaches that marriage is a sacred bond. He reminds us that this bond should not be broken lightly.

Innocence of Children: Jesus shows special care for children. He teaches that we should have a childlike trust and openness to enter the Kingdom of God.

Respect for Women: The creation of woman as a partner for man shows the respect and value given to women. This teaches us to respect and honor women in our lives.

Jesus' Teachings on Divorce: Jesus addresses the issue of divorce, urging us to respect the commitment made in marriage. He calls for fidelity and commitment in relationships.

Christ's Humility and Suffering: In Hebrews, we see Jesus' willingness to suffer for humanity. This calls us to follow His example of humility and sacrifice.

The themes for this Sunday guide us to appreciate marriage, value family, and follow Jesus' teachings. They remind us to live with unity, respect, and commitment in our relationships.

.....*Young Catholics*



October is the Month we dedicate to Our Lady of the Rosary, Mother of the Missions, pray for us. Come join us in praying the ROSARY before Mass, Tuesday to Friday. Church doors will open at 7:45 am.



Help support your parish so that we are able to keep our doors open to support you when you need us. Contact the office if you wish to



begin using envelopes or for more information on our Pre Authorized giving (PAG). Alternatively, scan the QR code and the link will take you to our "Donate" button on our website where you can donate through your credit card; select "St. John's Parish, Toronto" in the drop down menu.

	2023	2024
Sunday Offertory	\$ 3360	\$3080
Offertory PAG	\$1421	\$1444
Needs of the Church in Canada	\$1325	\$1255



INDIGENOUS HEALING & RECONCILIATION FUND COLLECTION: This weekend Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in the collection to support the Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund. The collection is part of a national grassroots effort to assist healing and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of This Land. The Archdiocese of Toronto has raised almost 50% of its \$6 million pledge with \$2.7 million in funds already allocated to support eight projects that focus on culture and language

revitalization, education and community building, healing and reconciliation for communities and dialogue involving Indigenous elders, spiritual leaders and youth. Let us join together and follow the invitation of the Holy Father for each one of us to become engaged in the healing and reconciliation journey. Thank you for your generosity. For more information or to donate online, visit: www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, October 8th

For + IRENE FLEMING

Requested by Brad, John & Karen

Wednesday, October 9th

For INTENTIONS OF CHRIS DAMAREN

Requested by Parish Family

Thursday, October 10th

For + PATRICK KERRIGAN

Requested by Kerrigan Family

Friday, October 11th

For + ROSEMARY SULLIVAN

Requested by Patricia Hutton

Saturday, October 12th

For + PATRICK KERRIGAN

Requested by The Kerrigan Family

Rest in Peace

In your charity please pray for the repose of the soul of

Ellen Herie



The Sanctuary Light burns this week for the intentions of

The DeCourcy Family

Please Pray For The Sick


Paul Holliday, Bree Tiffin, Gerry Genuino, Baby Isaiah Liam, Patrick O'Neill, Jacob McLean

In The News

CORPUS CHRISTI CRAFT FAIR: Join us for our Craft Fair on Saturday, November 9 from 10 am to 7 pm and on Sunday, November 10th from 10 am to 4 pm. Local vendors with handmade items. Delicious treats and much more. Fun for kids and all ages.

ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY PARISH: is inviting all interested parties to participate in the first Vendors Market taking place on Saturday, Oct. 5 from 10 am to 7 pm at the parking lot of the Church. For more information, please check the Church website or contact Karina. Funds from the event will be used for the renovation/replacement of the church's hall and washrooms. We hope to see you there! Karina at 416.559.6623 or staugustineofcanterbury@archtoronto.org

QUEEN OF APOSTLES RENEWAL CENTRE: invites you to two upcoming retreats. A retreat for Cancer Patients and Caregivers will be offered on Thursday October 24 from 8:30 am. Marian Retreat on Saturday October 26 from 8:30 am. Both retreats will be held at Queen of Apostle Renewal Centre, 1617 Blythe Road, Mississauga. The cost to attend either one of the retreats is \$45. For more information, contact Jean at 905.278.5229 or office@qoa.ca.

 We are excited to invite you to our annual Radio Maria Fall Luncheon, taking place on Sunday, November 10, 2024. This special event promises an afternoon filled with joy. Join us at the elegant Venu Event Space (Formerly Riviera) in Vaughan, where we have a wonderful day planned for you! Sunday November 10, at Venue Event Space (formerly Riviera) Salon 1,2, 2800 Hwy 7, Vaughan ON. Ticket price: \$100. Join us for a day of community, joy, and giving back!

 **ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE SCHOOL:** The Office of Admissions of St. Michael's College School is now considering applications for September 2025. St. Michael's College school is Ontario's only independent Catholic school for young men from Grades 7 to 12. Open House for prospective students and their families will be held on Thursday, October 17th & Tuesday October 22nd beginning at 7 pm. Please register at www.applySMCS.com. St. Michael's College School offers a generous Financial Assistance Programme that provides financial aid to qualifying students so don't count yourself out.

CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES: offer a wide variety of programs and services. Their counsellors "are prepared to work with the needs, strengths, values, and goals of individuals and families. We also recognize and sensitively respond to differences in cultural, racial, gender, and religious backgrounds of clients." Please call [Tel: 416. 921.1163](tel:416.921.1163). Or send an email info@cfstoronto.com For more info go to: <https://www.cfstoronto.com>

VOCATIONS: Matrimony - a beautiful vocation so misused today. Celibacy - a beautiful gift so misunderstood today. Whether we do God's work in pairs or as a single person in ministry or in a community, we do God's work because He calls us. If you feel God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416.968.0997. Email vocations@archtoronto.org

Parish News



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE: Beginning next weekend and runs until October 13th, you can participate by bringing non-perishable food items and dropping them off at the altar until

Thanksgiving. *Urgently needed items: rice, tomato sauce, canned tomatoes, soup & stews, mayonnaise, jams, granola bars, mustard beans, chickpeas, canned corn, breakfast cereals peanut butter.* Or if you wish to make a monetary donation. Contact the office. Donations will be delivered to the Good Shepherd Refuge.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ROSES FOR LIFE



SALE: will take place the weekend of October 12/13. Rose Tags will be offered after each Mass on Saturday and Sunday. The Knights look forward to your support of this event for the Pro Life Movement. Your donations are welcome. Please give generously! Life is God's gift!

JOIN OUR CHILDREN'S LITURGY: of the Word Volunteer Team! - Sunday Mornings, 9am Mass - 1-2 Sundays a month commitment - Attend a training session - Complete Volunteer Screening Program. Volunteers are always needed. If you want to learn more about this exciting ministry, please contact Marlo Taylor, Ministry Coordinator at 647.233.7636 or mtaylor@gagecommunications.ca.



ST. JOHN'S PARISH SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR FIRST COMMUNION: registration is now open for registered parishioners of St.

John's Parish with either Catholic School or public school students in Grades 2 or above. To begin the process please visit our website at www.stjohnsto.archtoronto.org. Registration closes soon.

WE'RE BACK! Did you hear us? Did the choir enhance your worship this week? Did you sing along? If you enjoy singing and want to help enrich the liturgy each week with wonderful music we have a place for you in the choir. It's not necessary to read music just come out to our practices on Thursday evenings at 7:30 pm with an open heart and your voice. Come sing with us!

Please remember the **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL** poor box as you exit the church. Your donations help St. Vincent de Paul Society respond to needy families and individuals within our parish boundaries who are struggling to make ends meet.



HAVE YOU MOVED? Are you a long time parishioner and moved recently or need to update your contact information, please put St. John's on your list to be notified. Email us at the office.



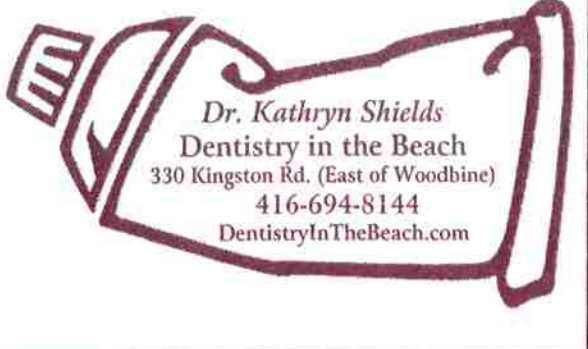
Little Levity: Sorry, I had to go down the sorrowful groaner road!

- What do you call a pony with a cough? A little horse.
- What did one hat say to the other? You wait here. I'll go on a head.

Peace begins with a smile.....Mother Teresa



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