

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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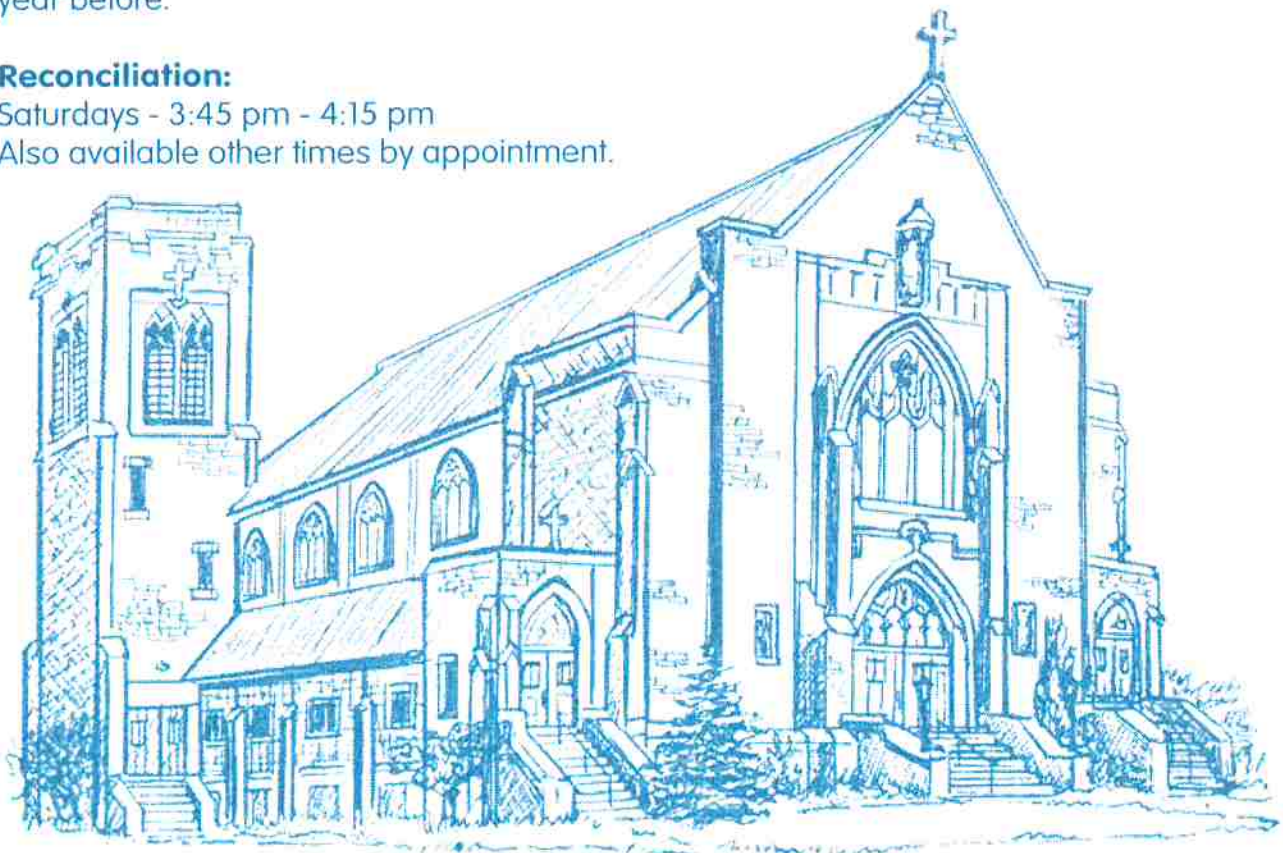
Office Hours:

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-Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time



In the Gospel Readings today, this parable is a lesson in the persistence of the one who prays. While the parable seems to present prayer as nagging God for what we want, such a reading misses the point. God truly wants to hear our needs and respond generously. It is the final lament of Jesus that gets to the point of the parable. God wants us to be like the persistent widow, staying in relationship with God, confident that God hears and answers prayers. Then Jesus laments, "Will such faith be found when the Son of Man comes?" In this lament, Jesus notes how easy it can be for us to lose heart.

Liturgy Notes: Having reflected on the Nicene Creed, this weekly bulletin column will now begin a walk through the Mass, seeking to deepen our spiritual encounter with the Lord in the many ways he is present to us. "Liturgy" refers to all the worship which the Church does as the Mystical Body of Christ. The liturgies we celebrate include all the sacraments, various rites and ceremonies, and at its apex, the celebration of the Holy Eucharist or the Mass. Since our worship of God is critical to our relationship to God himself, these rites of the Church are considered sacred actions. How the Church worships actually expresses what we believe, and forms us in the relationship with God established when we worship. By doing a close reading of our rites, we aim for a deeper experience of worshipping our great and Mighty God, the Holy Trinity of Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The liturgy of the Church is so important, since it speaks of what we believe and forms us in belief, it was the first order of business at the Second Vatican Council. In the first major document of the Council, the liturgy is described as "the summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed; at the same time it is the font from which all her power flows". Often shortened to "source and summit", what happens in the sacred liturgy deeply affects us as Christians. We will be dipping into this source and summit of grace as this column continues in the coming weeks.

.....Fr. John-Mark Missio



Please remember the St. Vincent de Paul poor box as you exit the church.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, October 18th

For + ANGUS DUNCAN MACPHERSON
Requested by Monish Sarker

Wednesday, October 19th

For INTENTION OF JEAN DEMPSEY
Requested by Linda & Nard

Thursday, October 20th

For IN THANKSGIVING
Requested by The Bailey Family

Friday, October 21st

For + JOE COSTA
Requested by Maria Tavares

Saturday, October 22nd

For + GEORGE D' SOUZA
Requested by The Pereira Family

MASS INTENTIONS: The practice of requesting a Mass to be offered for loved ones, living or deceased, for anniversaries, weddings and birthdays, is a beautiful and wonderful part of our Catholic tradition. Masses can be scheduled Tuesday to Friday at 8:15 am. If you wish to schedule a Mass please contact the Parish Office. Having a Mass said is a great gift for someone who has everything.



Rest in Peace

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

Corrine Bartholomew

Please Pray For The Sick

Wayne Denis Brown, Lena Gilmour, Michael Lanno,
Stella Avery, Carmel Richard



Our Parish is where we are married and bring our children to be baptized. It is where we come to be fed in the Holy Eucharist, be reconciled with God and the world, and hope to leave this world on our final journey to meet the God that we love. If you would like to support your parish through the Pre-Authorized Giving program, PAG, or begin utilizing envelopes, please contact the office.

	2019	2022
Sunday Collection	\$ 4550	\$ 2607
Offertory PAG:	\$ 1079	\$ 1183

ARE YOU REGISTERED?: We welcome all who have moved into our parish. To be a registered member of our parish is to have a sense of belonging to a Community of Faith. Previous registration is necessary when seeking reference letters, Baptisms, First Communion, Confirmation, Weddings and other documentation. So please help us so we can serve you! Email the office.



HAVE YOU MOVED?: Please put St. John's on your list to be notified about any change of contact information. Email us at the office. If you've moved out of the parish, when you arrive in a new parish, make a note to register there. They'll want to hear from you!

In The News

MARIAN RETREAT: Spend the day with Mother Mary, the mother of Jesus, and our mother too. Join us on Wednesday, October 19th, from 9 am to 3 pm, at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga. Cost: \$45 lunch included. Contact: Jean 905.278.5229 or office@qoa.ca.

21ST ANNUAL FRIARS' STUDENT WRITING CONTEST: High School Students (ages 13-19 years) in the Catholic School Boards located in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this annual event that commemorates the global Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The theme is "Do good; seek justice" (Isaiah 1:17). Write a five-hundred word essay that explores the 2023 theme. The contest runs from October 4 to January 16, 2023. Great prizes await! Consult the resources at <https://bit.ly/3AgBy5J> to understand the meaning and purpose of the theme and address the focus question found on the poster at <https://bit.ly/3KXgu8m>. Contact ecumenism@archtoronto.org or call 416.934.3400 (Ext. 527) for more information or questions.

TRANSFORMING SPIRIT DAY OF REFLECTION: Join us for a day of reflection for men and women on Monday October 31st from 9 am to 4 pm at Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre, Pickering. As we once again enter the fall we return to our familiar patterns in life. It is sometimes easy for us to become trapped in our daily rhythms and yet the season of Fall is an invitation to each of us to reflect on a call to transformation in our lives. Fall reminds us of the beautiful colours of life even in our ordinary moments; the places where God is active in us in the here and now. Gift yourself with a day of quietness, peaceful reflection, personal and communal prayer and, if desired, an opportunity for reconciliation. Come away and be still with God! This day will include talks given by Sr. Mary Rowell, CSJ. Reconciliation Service, confessions available and plenty of time for private prayer and opportunities to walk the grounds. Lunch and break included. The day ends with Mass.

CATHOLIC TRUSTEE CANDIDATE DEBATE: The Municipal Elections are fast approaching. Voting is on 24/Oct/22. Electing the right candidates is important to keep Catholic education Catholic. If you are unsure about who your candidates are and their platforms, St. Bonaventure is hosting a Candidates Debate. All are welcome to attend Monday, October 17, 22 from 7 to pm at St. Bonaventure Catholic Church, 1300 Leslie Street, Don Mills, M3C 2K9.

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Parish News

REGISTRATION FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION IS NOW CLOSED



REGISTRATION FOR CONFIRMATION PREPARATION FOR REGISTERED PARISHIONERS OF ST. JOHN'S PARISH: will begin in early January 2023 so please check the bulletin and website for instructions, at that time.



BE A SERVER AT THE ALTAR AND SERVE THE LORD: If you are in 3rd grade and up and have received First Holy Communion, you are eligible. The Altar Servers form a very important part of the Church and every parish is enriched through their dedication and service. Contact the office if interested.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY SPECIAL COLLECTION:

On the weekend of October 23rd, there will be a second collection today for the Evangelization of the Nations, otherwise known as World Mission Sunday. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary church and it is our opportunity to assist at-need Catholic communities globally. Offerings are combined with offerings from other Catholics around the world and distributed to missions and dioceses. We are called to share from our abundance with those less fortunate who lack the basic essentials to know, love and praise God. Thank you for your support of this important work.



SHARE A RIDE TO CHURCH MINISTRY: If you realize the importance of reaching our parish community by giving someone a ride to and from church, listening to people and have gospel conversations, have a valid driver's license and are willing and able, please contact the office. There are many parishioners who just can't get to church and they need you!

50/50 RAFFLE BACK AGAIN FOR ANOTHER TRY:

The Knights of Columbus once again will be participating in the Ontario Knights of Columbus 50/50 raffle lottery. Tickets are just 15 tickets for \$10.00/ 40 tickets for \$20.00 / 100 tickets for \$40.00. That's a lot of chances to WIN! All proceeds to St. John's Parish. This segment of the lottery will run for the next three months starting November 1st with early bird draws added each month. To support our council ticket sales, visit the following link: <https://ontariokofcraffle.5050central.com/?ole=7008>

Little Levity: Barbie visits her husband in prison. Before leaving, she tells a correction officer: "You shouldn't make my husband work like that. He's exhausted!" The officer laughs and says, "Are you kidding?" He just eats and sleeps and stays in his cell!" The wife replies: "No, No, No!, that's not true! He just told me that he's been digging a tunnel for months!" Peace begins with a smile.....Mother Teresa



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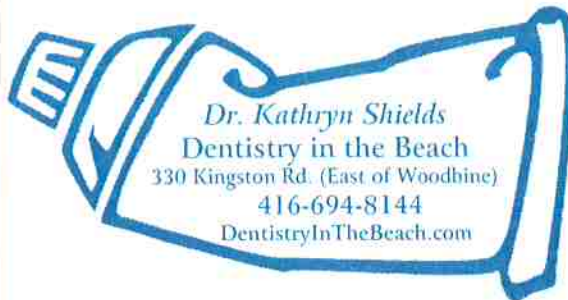
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