

**St. John the Evangelist
Roman Catholic Church**

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses: Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday: 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday, Thursday: 7:00 p.m.

First Friday of the Month: 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Baptism: Please call the office to arrange to discuss your child's Baptism.

Confession: Each Saturday at 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Marriage: The parish congratulates all newly engaged couples and reminds them that, by Archdiocesan Policy, they are required to contact the parish at least one year in advance of the proposed marriage.



For the Sick: That the sick be touched with the healing power of God's love, especially Janine Bujold, Natalie Donaldson, James Earle, Rosalia Gallippi, Maria Pereira, Ellen Proctor, Patrick Suraj and Francesca Tallerico.

For the Deceased: That they will be raised to life.

Pope's December Evangelization Intention: Europe - That the peoples of Europe may rediscover the beauty, goodness, and truth of the Gospel which gives joy and hope to life.



The parish office will be closed on Wednesday, December 14.

If there is an emergency, please call the office and leave a message. Your call will be returned as soon as possible.



Weekly (Dec. 4).....	\$3,547.65
Expenses this week.....	\$959.61
Building Fund.....	\$2,214.75

Thank you for your contribution.



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

5:00 pm Paul Nghia Mai, Ana Mai and Maria Oanh Nguyen R.I.P. - Vo-Nguyen Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

9:00 am John Baptist Ung Ngo R.I.P. - Ngo Family
11:00 am The People of the Parish

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12

9:00 am In Thanksgiving to St. Anthony and All The Saints - Luisa Arruda

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13

7:00 pm Deceased Members of the LoGiaccio Family R.I.P. - Family

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14

9:00 am April Lazarus-Coy - Doreen & Elizabeth Lazarus

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15 (No 7:00 p.m. Mass)

9:00 am John Watts R.I.P. - Joy Malcolm-Mandobh

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16

9:00 am Don Gregg R.I.P.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

9:00 am Unannounced
5:00 pm Enzo Timordidio R.I.P. - Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18

9:00 am The People of the Parish
11:00 am Deceased Sisters of the Faithful Companions of Jesus R.I.P. - Raso Family



Thank you to the ladies of the C.W.L. and the parishioners of St. John the Evangelist for your ongoing support of the Christmas Bazaar making it a big success once again. The winners of the raffle draw are: Barbara, Lourdes, Barb Cooper, Judy Panacci, Ellen Proctor and Frank Stekar.

EUTHANASIA/ASSISTED SUICIDE - DID YOU KNOW?

The Government of Canada passed legislation in June 2016, legalizing euthanasia/assisted suicide. Despite wording intended to protect doctors and facilities, the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario is forcing health care workers to arrange for the killing of their patients. No other country does this. Provinces across Canada do not do this. Yet, Ontario refuses to protect doctors who object to ending the life of their patients. Please visit www.CanadiansforConscience.ca to learn more and write directly to your elected Member of Provincial Parliament.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve - Saturday, December 24

5:00 pm
(Carols at 4:40 p.m.)

8:00 pm
(Carols at 7:45 p.m.)

12:00 midnight
(Instrumental Music & Carols at 11:30 p.m.)

Christmas Day - Sunday, December 25

9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

New Year's Eve - Saturday, December 31

**Feast of Mary, Mother of God
Holy Day of Obligation**

5:00 p.m.

New Year's Day - Sunday, January 1

**Feast of Mary, Mother of God
Holy Day of Obligation**

9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

DAY OF CONFESSIONS

"So often, our own sins and failings seem to be an obstacle in encountering the love of our Lord, preventing us from taking the steps towards authentic and renewed conversion. Yet Jesus came not to call the righteous, but sinners. He is the Good Shepherd who seeks out the lost, the physician who comes to heal the sick. And one of his first acts after the Resurrection was to entrust to the Church the power to forgive sins in his name. Thus, in order to undergo an authentic and renewed conversion, and to encounter the Love of God, a focus on the Sacrament of Reconciliation - this most powerful encounter with divine mercy - is essential."

- Thomas Cardinal Collins

From December 11 to 17, 2016, each parish in the Archdiocese of Toronto will be holding a Day of Confessions. Day of Confessions at our parish will be held on Thursday, December 15. The schedule for the day is as follows:

9:00 a.m. Mass (no 7:00 p.m. Mass)

Confessions will be heard at the following times:

9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

(7:00 - 9:00 p.m. visiting priests)

ADVENT HOLY HOUR WITH TAIZE MUSIC

A wonderful way to Prepare the way of the Lord in our hearts. In the busy time of Advent, please join us at St. John the Evangelist Parish for a Holy Hour featuring Taize chants, Prayers and quiet time.

Sunday, December 18, 2016
from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2017

Offertory envelopes for 2017 are available in the church foyer. If you used envelopes this year there will be a box for you with the same number. If you would like to begin using envelopes please see the person at the counter in the church foyer. Please write the name to be used for your tax receipt and full address on the first few envelopes that you use.

Please continue to use your 2016 envelopes until the end of the year and then destroy any envelopes you may have from previous years. Since donations are posted by envelope number this will ensure that you receive the proper credit from your current envelope number for your income tax receipt.

Using envelopes allows us to know that you are a practicing member of St. John the Evangelist Parish. It is important that we have a way of knowing you when you request baptism, marriage or letters of reference.

As long as you paid income tax, using envelopes can be beneficial. Depending on the amount of income tax you paid and the amount you have contributed to charities, **you may be eligible for up to 40% combined Federal and Provincial tax credit of the amount you gave to charities.** Further information can be found at Canada Revenue Agency, www.cra-arc.gc.c

Boxes of offertory envelopes for this year are still available. Please see the young person at the counter if you would like to begin using envelopes.



Please make Christmas special for a child by donating a new, unwrapped toy for a child between the ages of newborn to 16. Please pick a tag from the tree and place the label on your gift and return by December 15th.

Toys will be distributed on December 17th to needy families within the parish community through the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul and the Weston Food Bank.