

**St. John the Evangelist
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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.**

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.



Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, MARCH 25
5:00 pm Enzo Timordidio R.I.P. - Family

SUNDAY, MARCH 26
9:00 am Giovanni Capalbo R.I.P. - Anna Bellisaro
11:00 am The People of the Parish

MONDAY, MARCH 27
9:00 am Unannounced

TUESDAY, MARCH 28
7:00 pm Thieu Nguyen R.I.P. - Ngo Family

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29
9:00 am Paul Vandello R.I.P. - Hermetz Family

THURSDAY, MARCH 30 (No 7:00 p.m. Mass)
9:00 am Giespina & Salvatore Luceno R.I.P.
- Luceno Family

FRIDAY, MARCH 31
9:00 am Anthony Srebnic R.I.P. - Stekar Family
7:30 pm Unannounced

SATURDAY, APRIL 1
9:00 am Unannounced
5:00 pm Vittorio & Giuseppina Santi R.I.P.
- Santi Family

SUNDAY, APRIL 2
9:00 am The People of the Parish
11:00 am Mica Fiore R.I.P. - Bessie & Jack Culotta



Spring Cleaning - Year Round!

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is pleased to accept clothing, linens, draperies and house wares for use in the Society's programs and services, to help those in need. Donated goods are provided to our neighbours in need in communities across the GTA and to those whom the Society serves through their supportive housing and outreach programs.

On the weekend of April 8 - 9, 2017, a SVDP truck will be parked in the parking lot between the Church and the Rectory. The truck will be open before and after the Saturday 5:00 p.m. Mass & the Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Masses to drop off your donations to help others in your community. Thank you!

What NOT to Give

Appliances, Books, Baby Furniture Items (cribs, highchairs, strollers, etc.), Furniture (small dressers are accepted) and Mattresses.

What to Give

Accessories, Bedding, Drapes and Textiles, Boots and Shoes, Clothing and Coats, Small Household Goods and Toys.



**Day of Confessions
Thursday, March 30, 2017**

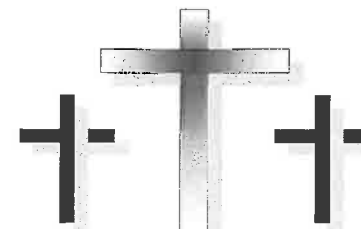
"So often, our own sins and failings seem to be an obstacle in encountering the love of our Lord, preventing us from taking the steps towards authentic and renewed conversion. Yet Jesus came not to call the righteous, but sinners. He is the Good Shepherd who seeks out the lost, the physician who comes 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 March 26 to April 1, 2017, each parish in the Archdiocese of Toronto will be holding a Day of Confessions. On Thursday, March 30, we will be celebrating a Day of Confessions in our parish. The schedule is as follows:

Mass at 9:00 a.m.
(please note that there will be no 7:00 p.m. Mass)

Confessions:

9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
(Visiting priests from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.)



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FRIDAY EVENINGS DURING LENT AT
7:00 p.m., followed by Mass at 7:30 p.m.

WHAT THE SAINTS SAY

Our Lord revealed to several holy women: St. Bridget, St. Gertrude, St. Mechtilde, and St. Catharine of Siena, that they who meditate on His Passion are very dear to Him.

- Way of the Cross by St. Alphonsus Liguori

Weekly Offering (Mar 19).....\$3,568.95
Expenses Mar 18 - 24.....\$3,133.78

Thank you for your contribution.



"Living the Gospel" locally and around the world...

How do we "Live the Gospel" toward others when our daily lives are so busy? For some it is volunteering at a soup kitchen, or it may be caring for an elderly relative. If we do not have the time to actively participate, we can support the many ShareLife funded agencies within our community that bring the hands of Christ to those in need. Our annual appeal provides resources to 42 agencies, bringing much needed programs and services to those both here in our communities and around the world. Next Sunday is the first ShareLife collection. Over the next week, consider your ability to "Live the Gospel" by helping those who are vulnerable and in need, and make a contribution to ShareLife.

**Next Sunday, April 2, 2017 is ShareLife Sunday.
Parish Goal \$42,000.00. Please give generously.**

Taize Prayer Invitation

The Presentation Brothers & The Franciscan Friars of the Atonement invite you to a *TAIZE PRAYER SESSION* at The Friary - 15 Laxton Avenue, in Parkdale (Queen & Lansdowne) on March 29th at 6:30 p.m.

"So you had not the strength to keep awake with me for one hour?" LK. 26:40

Pot luck supper is suggested. Please bring a small dish of your favourite food. Phone 416-537-0327. Limited parking available.

FertilityCareToronto

Are you planning to space your children and feel unsure of the family planning system you're using? FertilityCare Toronto can help you.

www.fertilitycare.ca

Call for Conscience Campaign

Canada legalized euthanasia/assisted suicide in June 2016. Between June and December, 2016, more than 740 people across the country died from what is now being referred to as "medical aid in dying." Meanwhile, only 30% of Canadians have access to quality palliative (end of life) care. Please visit www.CanadiansforConscience.ca to learn more, join the "Call for Conscience" and write directly to your member of Provincial Parliament asking them to protect conscience rights.

For the Sick: That those who are ill may be comforted, especially Val Aguilar and Maria Pereira.



For the Deceased: That Christ will shine on them, especially Rev. Msgr. Donald Patrick Clement and Deacon Faud Nimer-Boutros.

Pope's March Evangelization Intention: Support for Persecuted Christians - That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.

Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained

We might be familiar with different aspects of the Catholic faith. But how does it all fit together? And what difference does it make for our lives? *Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained* opens up the "big picture" of the Catholic faith in a way that helps us know it, live it and articulate it to others.

Each Tuesday evening until April 18 we will be showing "*Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained*" immediately after the 7:00 p.m. Mass.

Next week we will be showing only one presentation: Episode 7 - **The Holy Spirit and the Life of Grace. God's Divine Life Within Us (37 minutes).**