

St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church



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Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday to Friday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Closed on Tuesdays

Mass Schedule

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.

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

Weekday Masses:

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

Tuesday, Thursday 7:00 p.m.

Parish School

St. John the Evangelist Catholic School

20 Beverly Hills Drive, Downsview, ON M3L 1A1

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New to the Parish

If you are new to St. John the Evangelist please introduce yourself to the priest after Mass. Be sure to complete a registration form.

Sacrament of Baptism

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

Sacrament of Marriage

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays from 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. or by appointment by calling the parish office.

Priesthood or Religious Life

For information on Priesthood or Religious Life, please contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Vocation website: www.vocationstoronto.ca

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Eucharistic Adoration takes place every Friday after the 9:00 a.m. Mass and concludes with Benediction at 10:30 a.m.



Masses For The Week

SATURDAY, MARCH 9

5:00 pm Fr. Tom Stokes, Fr. Lehigh &
Fr. Lucian Perera R.I.P.
- Patricia MacFarlane & Family

SUNDAY, MARCH 10

9:00 am Beppino Tanel R.I.P.
- Jack & Bessie Culotta
11:00 am The People of the Parish

MONDAY, MARCH 11

9:00 am Greg Costa R.I.P. - Venere Family

TUESDAY, MARCH 12

7:00 pm Amelia, Aldo, Mario &
Lidia La Regina R.I.P. - Baglieri Family

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13

9:00 am Adolfo Carbone R.I.P. -Tina D'Ascanio

THURSDAY, MARCH 14

7:00 pm Don Gregg R.I.P. - Marcia Gregg
Errico Fantauzzi R.I.P. &
Hilary Srebernic R.I.P.
- Fantauzzi Family
Gail LeBoeuf R.I.P.
- St. John the Evangelist C.W.L.

FRIDAY, MARCH 15

9:00 am Unannounced
7:30 pm Anthony Andrews R.I.P.
- Melanie D'Souza

SATURDAY, MARCH 16

9:00 am Unannounced
5:00 pm Maria, Cono &
Giacomo LoGiaccio R.I.P. - Family

SUNDAY, MARCH 17

9:00 am The People of the Parish
11:00 am Giuseppe Gaudio R.I.P.
- Filippelli Family

The Gospel According to St. John

How well do you know Jesus? Do you want to get to know Him better? Have you ever really encountered Him? Have you been waiting a long time to do so?

John's Gospel was written to help you experience Jesus Christ. John has met Jesus personally, and he wants to tell you what he has seen and witnessed firsthand. In other words, everything written in the Gospel of John is designed to help you get to know Jesus, our Savior.

Starting Tuesday, March 12, we will be showing approximately half hour videos on "The Turning Point. Eight encounters with Jesus that will Change your Life" immediately following the 7:00 p.m. Mass on Tuesdays for five weeks.

This study will introduce you to people and stories you won't meet or find anywhere else in the Bible. In John's Gospel, you will meet the woman at the well; a man named Nicodemus; the woman caught in adultery; and Lazarus, the friend Jesus raised from the dead.

In this study, as you focus on eight people who encounter Jesus in John's Gospel, your goal will be to personally meet Jesus yourself - to discover that He is your one true spiritual home and to develop a more significant relationship with Him in your everyday life.

Please pray for all the sick, especially Natalie Donaldson, Jacqueline Drayton & Franklyn Tamaya.



Please pray that those who have died may enter into the eternal kingdom of God, especially Roberto Honrado, Laura Krajewski, Pierina Marra & Honoria Sanchez Quinones.

Pope's March Evangelization Intention: That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

Weekly Offering (Mar 3).....	\$3,742.15
Building Fund.....	\$2,092.80
Expenses (Feb 25 - Mar 3).....	\$6,729.34
Building Fund Expenses.....	\$687.70

Thank you for your contribution.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

A great Lenten Spiritual Devotion, depicting Christ carrying the Cross to His Crucifixion in the final hours (or Passion) of Jesus before He died.

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

“Could you spend ½ Hour with Me?”



WHAT THE SAINTS SAY

St. Francis of Assisi's preferred meditation was on the Passion of Jesus. He wept so continually in meditating on the sufferings of Jesus Christ that he almost entirely lost his sight.

- Way of the Cross by St. Alphonsus Liguori



Living the Gospel by supporting ShareLife agencies

“As we begin our ShareLife campaign, we are encouraged to live the Gospel in all we do. How do we demonstrate that in our community? Living the Gospel may mean helping single mothers to care for their newborn children, or being available to families facing difficulties, or welcoming refugee families to our community. For 43 years, countless individuals have experienced the compassionate care offered by our agencies. Please support our annual archdiocesan appeal during this Lenten season!” - *Cardinal Thomas Collins*

**March 31 is ShareLife Sunday.
Please give generously.**

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Women's League

The Catholic Women's League will be holding its next meeting in the parish hall on Thursday, March 14, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. (after the 7:00 p.m. Mass).

SOME IDEAS FOR LENT

This season of Lent is a time of preparation for the feast of all feasts, Easter. It is always a good idea to review at this time what the Church teaches us about this season and penance in general. Lent has two main purposes: It recalls our baptism, or prepares for it, and it emphasizes a spirit of penance.

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops teaches us that: "The Church wants emphasis to be given to the evangelical law that a follower of Christ must do penance. While the heart of penance is hatred for sin as an offence against God, external forms of penance are required to deepen and encourage the internal virtue.

Fridays throughout the year (except Solemnities) are days of abstinence from meat, but Catholics may substitute special acts of charity or piety on this day.

The penitential character of Lent is maintained; on these days penance is an important requirement of the Christian life. Fulfilment of this duty involves prayer, works of piety and charity, and self-denial by fulfilling one's obligations more faithfully, and especially by observing the prescribed fast and abstinence.

Parents and educators are reminded of their duty to introduce children gradually to the understanding and practice of penance. Adult example will be the greatest influence in this matter." *Ordo 2018-2019 - Liturgical Calendar. Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops.*

To deny ourselves and do penance is not easy, therefore allow me to make a few suggestions. I suggest that you speak to your spouse, family or friend about this matter, it is sometimes easier with mutual encouragement and accountability.

Some further suggestions for Lenten activities include:

Attendance at weekday Masses: Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday at 9:00 a.m.; Tuesday & Thursday at 7:00 p.m. and Fridays during Lent at 7:30 p.m.

Rosary recited after the Saturday morning Mass
Stations of the Cross Friday 7:00 p.m.
Visit to the Blessed Sacrament Rosary at home
Stations of the Cross at home
Holy Hour every Friday 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

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