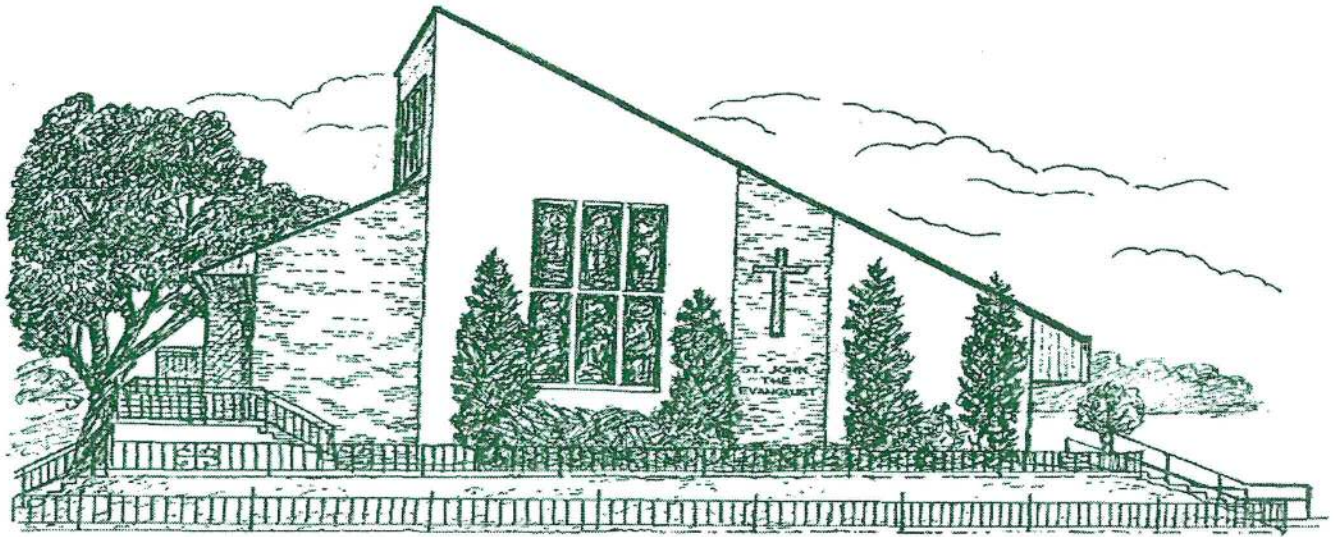


St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church



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Parish Staff

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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
23 George Street, York (Weston), ON M9N 2B4
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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. Matthew McCarthy, Director of Vocations, 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, FEBRUARY 26 *Livestream*

5:00 pm Clara & Adam Akey R.I.P. - Sara

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27 *Livestream* (9:00 am only)

9:00 am The People of the Parish

11:00 am Kristina Stekar R.I.P. - Marica Beg

TUESDAY, MARCH 1

7:00 pm Mary Zammit (100th Birthday)

- Rose Porlier

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2 *Ash Wednesday*

9:00 am Joseph Tri Ngo R.I.P. - Ngo Family

7:00 pm Rev. Vito Marziliano R.I.P.

THURSDAY, MARCH 3

7:00 pm Vocations

FRIDAY, MARCH 4 *Livestream*

9:00 am Maria Tonello-Frighetto R.I.P.

- Josie Panin

7:30 pm The Forgotten Souls of
St. John the Evangelist Parish

SATURDAY, MARCH 5 *Livestream*

5:00 pm Lidia Vincenzi R.I.P.

- Domenica Fiacco & Family

SUNDAY, MARCH 6 *Livestream* (9:00 am only)

9:00 am Tom O'Brien R.I.P. - Roy Swanek

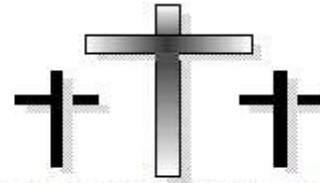
11:00 am The People of the Parish



Sick: That the sick may be healed according to God's will.

Deceased: That our dead may have comfort and know the Lord's saving love, especially Rev. Edwin D'Souza.

Pope's February Prayer Intention: *For religious sisters and consecrated women* - We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent will start on Friday, March 4th at 7:00 p.m., followed by Mass at 7:30 p.m. for those who wish to stay. A great Lenten Spiritual Devotion, depicting Christ carrying the Cross to His Crucifixion in the final hours (or Passion) of Jesus before He died.

"Could you spend 1/2 Hour with Me?"



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 mediate on His Passion are very dear to Him.

- Way of the Cross by St. Alphonsus Liguori



ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday is March 2. We will have Mass at 9:00 in the morning and also at 7:00 in the evening. No reservations will be required for either Mass. Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat (please see Some Ideas for Lent on opposite page).



PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly Offering (Feb 20) \$1,528.00
Expenses (Feb 14 - Feb 20) \$3,894.74

Thank you for your contribution.

↓ NOTICE ↓

On Monday, February 21, we received a memorandum from the Archdiocese of Toronto. Part of it reads:

"We are pleased to share news that as of Tuesday, March 1, 2022, places of worship, that wish do so will be in a position to offer 100% seating capacity with no physical distancing restrictions. Please take note that masks will still be required."

At this time, after consulting with a number of parishioners, St. John the Evangelist - Weston will continue to use spacing of every other pew within the Church. We will not yet open up to 100% capacity for the comfortability of our parishioners.

However, this weekend will be the last weekend that you must book on Eventbrite to attend Mass. Masses on Ash Wednesday will also not require a booking to attend. Those attending Mass will be able to seat themselves where they wish in the free pews. **Please note, masking and hand sanitizing are still required.**

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Wednesday, March 2, - Sunday, April 10, 2022
Corner of Dufferin & Lawrence Ave. W.
7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. daily

Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils, and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers! From March 2 until April 10, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way 150 meters away from the Women's Care Clinic at Dufferin St. and Lawrence Ave.

For more information, and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please contact Maria at 647-607-3313 or 40days4lifetoronto@gmail.com. Visit our website at www.40daysforlife.com/toronto to sign up for prayer vigil hours.

Some Ideas for Lent

On Wednesday, March 2nd, the Church will begin her season of 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.

In Canada, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and abstinence from meat. The Law of abstinence from meat binds those who are 14 and older; the law of fasting binds those from 18 to 59 years of age. 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 2021-2022 - Liturgical Calendar. Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops.*

"The law of fasting prescribes that only one meal be taken in a day; but it does not forbid taking some nourishment in the morning and evening." Letters & Legislation, Archdiocese of Toronto

I hope that the above excerpts are of some help in clarifying what Christ asks us through His Church. 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:

Wednesday, Friday 9:00 a.m.;

Tuesday & Thursday at 7:00 p.m. and

Fridays during Lent at 7:30 p.m.

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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