

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:

Wednesday and Friday 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday and 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, DECEMBER 2

5:00 pm William & Louise Atkins R.I.P.
- Bev Atkins

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

9:00 am Nicola Niceforo R.I.P.
- Raffaella Candeloro

11:00 am The People of the Parish

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5

7:00 pm Patricia Connors R.I.P.
- Sandra Riso & Famly

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6

9:00 am Dr. Alex Jones R.I.P. - Joseph McIntyre

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7

7:00 pm John Ferreira R.I.P.
- Edgar & Cassandra

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8

9:00 am Christine Watton - Friend

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9

5:00 pm Genevieve MacFarlane
- Patricia MacFarlane & Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

9:00 am The People of the Parish
11:00 am Adelaida Lomnicki R.I.P. - Family



Sick: That the Lord our God will lift the burdens of those who suffer from illnesses of the mind and body, especially Techlar Donaldson, Anne Fitzsimmons and Julie Napoleone.

Deceased: For all who have died: that they may see the Saviour face to face.

Pope's December Prayer Intention: *For persons with disabilities* - We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

Please note: Names will stay on the sick list for 30 day, unless notified otherwise.

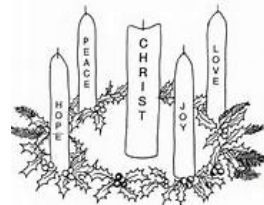
Season of Advent

Advent has a twofold nature: It prepares us for Christmas, when we recall Christ's first coming among us, and it is also a time when we look forward to His second coming at the end of the ages. Advent is a season of joyful expectation.

During Advent, each Sunday's Gospel reading has a specific focus. The Old Testament readings, especially those taken from Isaiah, are prophecies about the Messiah and messianic times. The selections from the writings of the Apostles present exhortations and instructions on different themes of this season.

- *Ordo Liturgical Calendar 2023-2024*

Advent Eucharistic Holy Hour this Sunday, December 3, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.



The time before Christmas can often become a busy and bustling time as we rush around baking, shopping, wrapping presents and running around visiting friends and family. Take some time in front of the Blessed Sacrament with periods of silence and reflective music to prepare your heart for the coming of the Child Jesus at Christmas.

2023 - 2024 Sunday Missals



If you would like to purchase a 2023-2024 Sunday Missal for yourself, the parish is selling them for \$5.00 each. Please see staff at the counter in the church foyer and please have the exact amount as no change will be available.



The parish office will be closed next week from Tuesday, December 5 - Thursday, December 7.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2024



Offertory envelopes for 2024 will be available for pickup in the church foyer starting next weekend. If you used envelopes this year there will be a box set for you with the same number. If you need assistance finding your box set of envelopes please see staff at the counter. Please make sure you pick up only the box with your name on it.

Please continue to use your 2023 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, <https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency.html>

Boxes of offertory envelopes for this year are still available. If you would like to begin using envelopes, please see staff 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 do not use 2024 envelopes until January 1, 2024.

If we receive any 2024 envelopes in 2023, the money will be deposited and, therefore, it will be credited to your 2023 tax donation year, not your 2024 tax donation year.



This Advent season, each parish in the Archdiocese of Toronto will be holding a Day of Confessions. Let us make the journey into the heart of our relationship with God. Take a long, loving look at the ways God calls us to grow. Take this challenge and hold it in readiness for the rich blessing that is manifest in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

In our parish, the **Day of Confessions will be held on Wednesday, December 13th**. The schedule for the day is as follows:

9:00 a.m. Mass

Confessions will be heard at the following times:

- 9:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
- 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

If you go to the Archdiocese of [Toronto's Advent Day of Confessions page](#), (<https://www.archtoronto.org/en/offices-and-ministries/sub-sites/confession/home/>) you will find parishes near you that are offering special times for the Sacrament of Penance between December 10 to 23, 2023. There are also helpful resources on how to make a good confession. Regardless of how long it has been since your last confession, please feel welcomed to return to this beautiful healing sacrament.



Weekly Offering (Nov 26)	\$2,826.25
St. Vincent de Paul	\$2,749.75
Pre-Authorized Giving (Nov)	\$1,466.76
Donate Now (Nov)	\$934.00
Expenses (Nov 20 - Nov 26)	\$2,429.95

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