

# St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church



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## **Parish Staff**

Rev. A. Maderak, Pastor

Rev. Mr. Oswald D'Paiva, Deacon

Sheila Mills, Secretary

## **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

Tel: 416-393-5244 Fax: 416-393-5032

## **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](http://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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Masses For The Week

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

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12

7:00 pm Rocco, Lucia, Gino &  
Bernardino Farina R.I.P.  
- Donna Fantauzzi

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13

9:00 am Rosalia Gallippi (sick) - Gallippi Family

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14

7:00 pm Vocations  
Guido Giardinazzo R.I.P.  
- Vella-Constantin Family

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15

9:00 am Marco Molinari (In Thanksgiving)  
- Clara Creglia

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16

5:00 pm Deceased Members of the Cristello &  
Tavone Family - Bettina Tavone

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

9:00 am Antonio Mammola R.I.P. - Dora Zigrossi  
11:00 am The People of the Parish

**Sick:** That they may find strength and hope in the love that God has for his wounded children, especially Guiliana Della Rovere, Techlar Donaldson, Bill Bennett and Anne Fitzsimmons.



**Deceased:** That those who have died may find the fulfillment of their hope and rejoice eternally in heaven, especially Ines Squizzato.

**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.



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 this Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>**. 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.

(Visiting priests from 7:00 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/), (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. Regardless of how long it has been since your last confession, please feel welcomed to return to this beautiful healing sacrament.



John the Baptist is sent by God to prepare the way for His Son. In our present time God sends priests, religious and

deacons to prepare the people to receive His Son. If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 or email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) or visit: [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

**OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2024**



Offertory envelopes for 2024 are now available for pickup in the church foyer. 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.



ShareLife is more than a parish collection. It is how we, as a Catholic community in the Archdiocese of Toronto, bring the hands of Christ to those in need.

Over 40 ShareLife agencies serve tens of thousands of people locally and countless more around the world, regardless of religious affiliation. Given the growing needs in our communities, it is crucial we meet our Parish Campaign goal of \$13.8 million. By reaching this goal, our agencies will continue to:

- offer walk-in counselling to those facing mental health issues
- help victims of domestic violence
- ensure isolated seniors are not forgotten
- deliver food to children in developing countries
- form priests and deacons who will minister in our parishes

Your support of ShareLife makes these programs possible, among many others. Thank you for living the Gospel by providing for those in need.

*We did it!*

Our ShareLife parish goal was \$39,000. To-date, we have raised \$39,850.65. A big thank you to all our parishioners who supported our parish's ShareLife campaign. If you have not contributed to our parish's ShareLife campaign, and would like to, from now through December 31, your contribution will be matched by an anonymous donor up to \$500,000.



The parish office will be closed next week from Tuesday, December 12 to Thursday, December 14.

Weekly Offering (Dec 3) . . . . .	\$2,851.20
Building Fund. . . . .	\$1,833.10
Specified Donation . . . . .	\$5,000.00
Expenses (Nov 27 - Dec. 3). . . . .	\$5,489.83

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