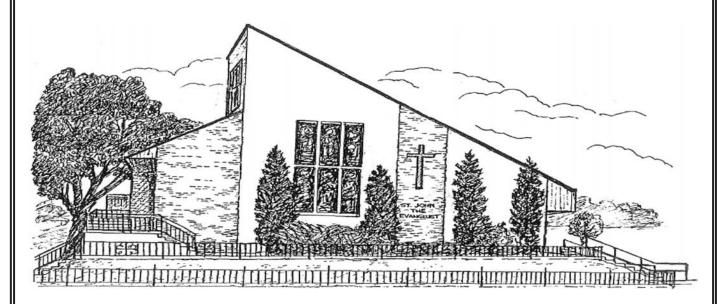
St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church



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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

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 17

5:00 pm In Thanksgiving - Vo-Nguyen Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

9:00 am The People of the Parish 11:00 am Guido & Teresa Borrelli R.I.P.

- Pincente Family

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

7:00 pm Assunta & Giovanni Cardelli R.I.P. & the Deceased Members of the Pinelli Family R.I.P.

- Anne-Marie Pinelli

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

9:00 am John Baptist Xung R.I.P & Maria Noi R.I.P. - Ngo Family

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22

7:00 pm Kitty & Mark Ratte R.I.P.

- Martin & Kevin Proctor

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23

9:00 am Réta B. Salim R.I.P. - Tara Nadal 7:30 pm Rev. Manfred Schmid R.I.P.

- Fr. Maderak

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

5:00 pm Nikola Kardum R.I.P. - Honrado Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25

9:00 am Alessandro Candeloro R.I.P.

- Candeloro Family

11:00 am The People of the Parish

Sick: That the healing power of the Lord of Life may be theirs, especially Bill Bennett, Guiliana Della Rovere, Techlar Donaldson, Joseph Farrugia, Anne Fitzsimmons, Carlo Presta and Rose Wells.

Deceased: That all who have died believing in the resurrection may share the joy of eternal life in Christ, especially Paul Maingot.

Pope's February Prayer Intention: For the terminally ill - We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

The Ultimate Guide to Lent - Resources for this Holy Season



Does Lent sometimes get away from you? Confuse you? Annoy you? Do you wonder why we do what we do during this Holy season?

This is the ultimate Catechesis Corner - a very, very thorough guide to Lent by the host of the "Bible in a year" and "Catechism in a year" podcasts, Fr. Michael Schmitz! Click <u>HERE</u> for tools to begin a wonderful journey this LENT!

(https://media.ascensionpress.com/2023/02/20/th e-ultimate-guide-to-lent-from-fr-mike-schmitz/)

In Fr. Maderak's Homily last weekend, he mentioned an Apostolic Constitution by Pope Paul VI on Penance, particularly of Fasting and Abstinence. It is a good practice to know what the Church teaches and what Popes have said on these matters. Fasting and Abstinence is a practice of the Church that has not changed and should be continued during Lent and wherever prescribed. Read on by clicking below:

APOSTOLIC CONSTITUTION PAENITEMINI OF THE SUPREME PONTIFF PAUL VI ON FAST AND ABSTINENCE

(https://www.vatican.va/content/paul-vi/en/apost_c onstitutions/documents/hf_p-vi_apc_19660217_p aenitemini.html)

Here's another great resource on Fasting. This is from the website "The Catholic Gentleman". This is a really wonderful website for Catholic men who wish to become strong spiritual Fathers and Spiritual leaders - SPIRITUAL WEAPONS: FASTING.

(https://catholicgentleman.com/2014/04/spiritual-w eapons-fasting/)

For the Ladies in the Parish, perhaps check out this resource: **BLESSED IS SHE**

(https://blessedisshe.net/en-ca/pages/subscribe). You can sign up here for daily devotions tailored to the Catholic Woman, delivered right to your inbox throughout Lent and every day. Make sure to look through this site as well for some other great resources.

Support our vulnerable youth through ShareLife



In this time of Lent, we ask you to think of our brothers and sisters in need especially our vulnerable youth who call the streets their home.

"Your gift ensures youth experiencing or at risk of homelessness have access to individualized support and variety of programs and services to meet their complex and diverse needs," says Mark Aston of Covenant House Toronto. "With your caring support, youth have a safe space to turn to and a supportive team to help them plan their own path."

The first ShareLife Sunday is March 17th. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website:

https://stjohntheevangelistwe.archtoronto.org/, or at https://sharelife.org/.



Thank You! Our parish goal for 2023 was \$39,000. Our final parish campaign total at the end of

December 2023 was \$42,500.65.

Archbishop Leo thanks you for supporting the 2023 ShareLife Parish Campaign. In acknowledgment of your kind generosity, Archbishop Francis Leo extends his heartfelt gratitude to all pastors, parish staff, volunteers and parishioners. You can find his letter expressing thanks here.

(https://sharelife.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/ ShareLife-Appreciation-letter-2024.pdf)

Project Rachel

Project Rachel at the Refuge is offering a retreat April 19-21, 2024, for women who are suffering the effects of abortion. We have been offering Project Rachel retreats for more than fifteen years. At our retreats, we welcome women whose pain has been silenced and denied by the world. See our website (https://www.stmarysrefuge.org/). For more information, email projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org or phone 289-691-6840 (all in confidence).

Reflecting on Archbishop Leo's Pastoral Letter on Seeking the Kingdom of God

Called to be Teachers of the Faith

"It is crucial for us to return to the basic tenets of the faith, back to Jesus himself, to his preaching and teaching of the Kingdom, so that acquiring a fresh, new personal knowledge of him, his mystery, and growing in deep love for him as Lord and Saviour, we may more boldly proclaim and witness to the truths of his Gospel."

Archbishop Francis Leo, SEEKING THE KINGDOM OF GOD ABOVE AND BEYOND ALL THINGS, Page 3

(https://www.archtoronto.org/siteassets/media/arc hdiocese-of-toronto-main-site/files/archbishop-leo/ pastoral-letter.pdf)

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday evening during Lent at 7:00 p.m., followed by Mass at 7:30 A great Lenten Spiritual Devotion, depicting Christ carrying the Cross to His Crucifixion in the final hours (or Passion) of Jesus before He died.

Bundle Up Sunday

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will be collecting gently used clothing, shoes and linens only to support our neighbours in need the weekend of March 2/3. Please bring your donations before or after the Saturday and Sunday Masses. For more information, please visit:

https://svdptoronto.org/wp/how-to-help/bundle-up/



The parish office will be closed on Monday, February 19, in observance of the Family Day statutory holiday.

Weekly Offering (Feb 11)	\$3,300.05
Expenses (Feb 5 - Feb 11)	\$425.95

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