

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, 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

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

7:00 pm Joseph Ngo Tri Bao R.I.P.

- Ngo Family

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

9:00 am Joseph McLean R.I.P.

- Linda McLean & Family

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29

7:00 pm Aloysius Lama-bhutia R.I.P.

- Sumita & Winston Custa Pereira

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

9:00 am Rev. Noel Whelan R.I.P.

- Fr. Maderak

7:30 pm Maria Tran R.I.P. - Tran Family

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

5:00 pm Maria & Angelo Cerasoli R.I.P.

- Carmela Cerasoli

SUNDAY, MARCH 3

9:00 am The People of the Parish

11:00 am Alexander Milhomens R.I.P.

- Maria Milhomens

Sick: That they experience the saving hand of God, and consolation from caring family and friends, especially Bill Bennett, Guiliana Della Rovere, Techlar Donaldson, Joseph Farrugia, Anne Fitzsimmons, Carlo Presta and Rose Wells.



Deceased: For all who have died, that they be welcomed by Christ into His Father's kingdom, especially Rev. Joseph Kwok Cheung Ho, S.D.B.

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.



What are you doing for Lent? 10 Ideas for a more meaningful Lenten Season

1. **Give up sin** - Show your love for God by keeping his commandments. Turn away from sins.
2. **Fast** - An empty stomach can lead to more attentive prayer. Give the money you saved on food to others in alms.
3. **Pray** - Be in constant prayer. Pray for your family and friends, for those who suffer, and for the Church and the world.
4. **Do good works** - Help those in need. Pray for them and be ready to serve them in their time of need.
5. **Give alms** - Help the poor and support the good works of the Church. Give cheerfully to God who has given us everything we have.
6. **Abstain** - Give up meat or other desirable foods during Lent, especially on Friday, the day of Christ's saving death on the cross.
7. **Do meditative reading** - Nourish your faith by spending time in quiet reading and reflection. Prayerful reading of God's word each day will open your heart to the Spirit, and let God's thoughts and ways influence yours.
8. **Control desire for possessions** - Build up treasures in heaven rather than on earth. Cut down on material possessions, eliminate frills, lessen wants, share yourself - your time and your talents - with others.
9. **Control desire for entertainment** - Too much entertainment and other distractions can lead to less or no time for the works of the Lord.
10. **Carry out duties in life** - Serve God by living out your vocation in love each day. God is calling each of us to be a living sacrifice. Offer your daily life through Christ.

- Archdiocese of Toronto
www.archtoronto.org

Congratulations Tara!

As mentioned at Mass last weekend, we are happy to announce that our Lay Pastoral Associate, Tara Nadal, has been accepted by the Bishop to enter the process of formation to enter the Ordo Virginum. This is an ancient order in the Church which dates back to the 4th century and is more commonly known as the Order of Consecrated Virgins. Some notable Consecrated Virgins were: St. Marcellina (sister of St. Ambrose), St. Agatha and St. Cecilia. God willing, after a period of formation, Tara will be consecrated to the Archdiocese of Toronto by the Bishop.

Most people have never heard of this vocation. When most think of vocations for women, they automatically think of marriage or Religious life as a Nun or Religious Sister. You can learn more about Consecrated Virgins in this article written by the Catholic News Agency:

<https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/37170/the-little-known-vocation-of-consecrated-virginity>

There is also a short but informative video from the Archdiocese of Detroit that can be found at: <https://youtu.be/GXY2YUc-ic8?si=JwN9Pj0N59dLZull>

We ask you to please pray for Tara as she begins this period of formation.

 ShareLife Sunday is March 17. Our parish goal for this year's campaign is \$43,200. Through your kindness, over 40 Catholic organizations and social service agencies can help marginalized members of our community. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website: <https://stjohntheevangelistwe.archtoronto.org/>, or at <https://sharelife.org/>.

Weekly Offering (Feb 18) \$2,735.05
Expenses (Feb 12 - Feb 18) \$6,122.30

Thank you for your contribution.

There will be a second collection next weekend, March 2/3, for the Building Fund.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday evening during Lent at 7:00 p.m., followed by Mass at 7:30 p.m.

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 ½ Hour with Me?”



WHAT THE SAINTS SAY

Jesus told St. Faustina: “There is more merit to one hour of meditation on My sorrowful Passion than there is to a whole year of flagellation that draws blood; the contemplation of My painful wounds is of great profit to you, and it brings Me great joy.”

- Way of the Cross by St. Alphonsus Liguori

Bundle Up Sunday

A Saint Vincent de Paul truck/bin will be in the church parking lot next weekend, March 2/3, to collect your gently used clothing, shoes and linens to share with those less fortunate. Please bring your donations before or after the Saturday/Sunday Masses on March 2/3. For more information, please visit:

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

Not accepted: appliances, baby or regular furniture, books, mattresses, dishes, construction material or video tapes.



The parish office will be closed on Monday, February 26 and Tuesday, February 27.

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