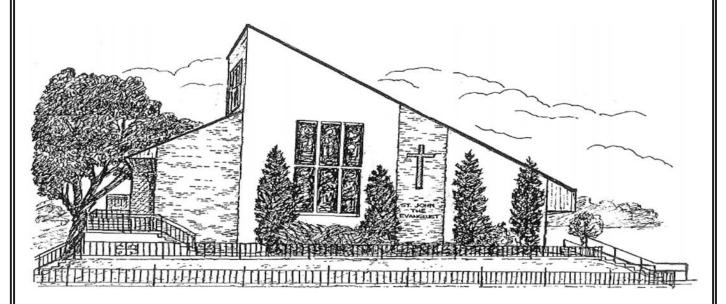
# St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church



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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: <a href="https://www.vocationstoronto.ca">www.vocationstoronto.ca</a>

#### **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 7**

5:00 pm Patrick Pritchard & Susan Lasala R.I.P.

- Pritchard Family

#### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8**

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

- Ngo Family

11:00 am The People of the Parish

#### **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10**

7:00 pm Victorio Dolores Costes R.I.P.

- Pincente Family

#### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11

9:00 am Maria Nhiem Tran R.I.P. - Ngo Family

#### **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12**

7:00 pm Anna Nguyen Thi Nguyen R.I.P.

- Phuong Nguyen

Anna Demme R.I.P. - Clara Creglia

#### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13

9:00 am Health of Rosalia & Gallippi Family

- Gina Gallippi

#### **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14**

5:00 pm Maria Nhiem Thi Tran R.I.P. - Ngo Family

#### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15**

9:00 am The People of the Parish

11:00 am Sheldon Foote R.I.P. - Family

### Pray

**Sick**: That the Spirit of the Lord may rest upon the sick, especially James Burch and Giovanna Tersigni.

**Deceased:** That all who have died may be raised to new and eternal life.

**Pope's December Prayer Intention:** For pilgrims of hope - Let us pray that this Jubilee strengthen us in our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in the midst of our lives, transforming us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

#### Mass Schedule for Christmas 2024 & New Year 2025

#### Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve - Tuesday, December 24 5:00 p.m. and 12:00 midnight

Christmas Day - Wednesday, December 25 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.



#### New Year's Mass Schedule

New Year's Eve - Tuesday, December 31
Feast of Mary, Mother of God
Holy Day of Obligation
5:00 p.m.

New Year's Day - Wednesday, January 1
Feast of Mary, Mother of God
Holy Day of Obligation
9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

### The Catechetical Corner - Learn More About Your Faith



The last session for Term 1 is this Tuesday, December 10, at 7:45 p.m. in the parish hall. Topic - *Mary - part 1*.

For more information and to sign up for this program, either call or email the parish at stjohntheevangelistwe@archtoronto.org or click on the link to sign up on either our parish <a href="Facebook">Facebook</a> (<a href="https://www.facebook.com/people/St-John-the-Evangelist-Weston/100064770248173/">Facebook</a> (<a href="https://www.facebook.com/people/St-John-the-Evangelist-Weston/100064770248173/">Facebook</a> or on our Parish website.

(https://stjohntheevangelistwe.archtoronto.org/en

#### **ADVENT REFLECTIONS**

This Advent season, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) presents an **online weekly** video series titled "Journey through Advent." This year's English reflections will be **led by Archbishop Leo**. The reflections in French will be offered by the Most Rev. René Guay, Bishop of Chicoutimi. The series is intended to help the faithful prepare for the Nativity of Our Lord by offering meaningful reflections on the Gospel readings during each of the four Sundays of Advent.

"Journey through Advent" will be released weekly and will be available on the <a href="CCCB">CCCB</a> website (https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-ca tholic-education/video-resources/journey-through-advent/) and on their <a href="YouTube channel">YouTube channel</a> (https://www.youtube.com/CCCB\_CECC). The series is also available via our own website at: <a href="https://www.archtoronto.org/">https://www.archtoronto.org/</a>.

We also draw your attention to the National Catholic Broadcasting Council's Advent Retreat series, this year led by Archbishop Emeritus Cardinal Thomas Collins. These are short daily reflections that can also be accessed via <a href="https://www.archtoronto.org/">https://www.archtoronto.org/</a> or the Daily Mass website: <a href="https://dailytvmass.com/">https://dailytvmass.com/</a>.

May these video reflections be a source of comfort and peace during our Advent journey.

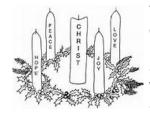
#### 2025 Sunday Offering Envelopes

Offertory envelopes for 2025 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. Please make sure you pick up only the box with your name on it.

Do not use your 2025 donation envelopes until January 1, 2025. If we receive any 2025 envelopes in 2024, the money will be deposited and, therefore, it will be credited to your 2024 tax donation year, not your 2025 tax donation year.

If you do not use Sunday Offering envelopes and would like to start, please see staff at the counter.

## This Sunday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. Advent Eucharistic Holy Hour



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.

#### DAY OF CONFESSIONS

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 18<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.

If you go to the Archdiocese of <u>Toronto's Advent</u> Day of Confessions page.

(https://www.archtoronto.org/en/offices-and-minist ries/sub-sites/confession/home/) you will find parishes near you that are offering special times for the Sacrament of Penance between December 15 to 21, 2024. 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.

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