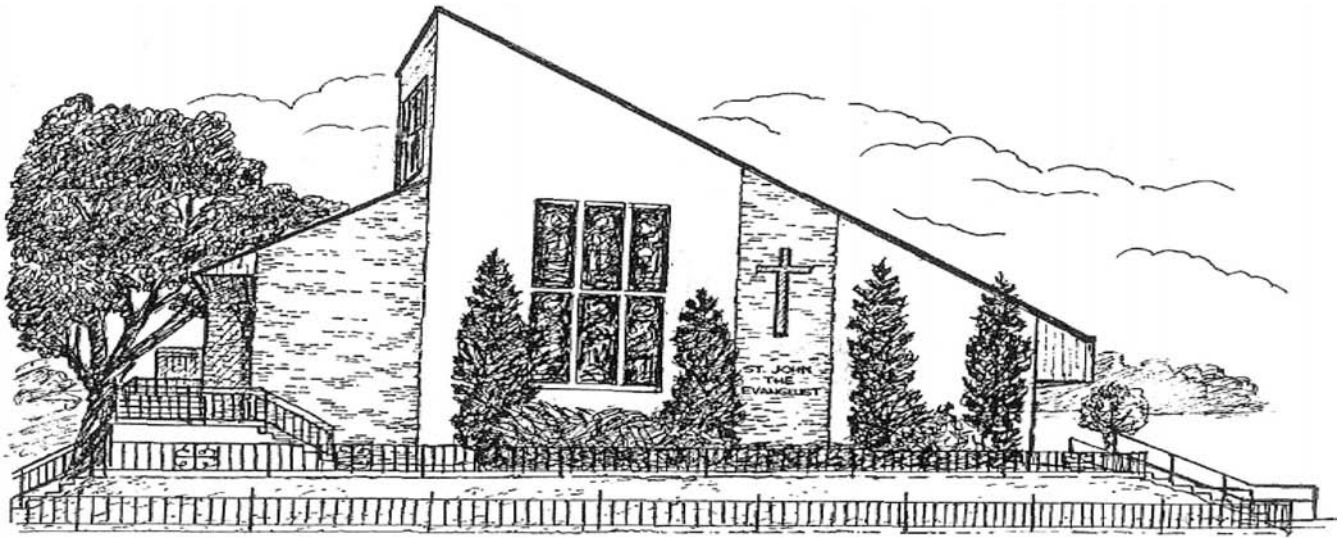


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Parish Staff

Rev. David Gikonyo, Pastor
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Mass Schedule

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

Saturday, Wednesday and Friday 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday and Thursday 7:00 p.m.

Parish School

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23 George Street, York (Weston), ON M9N 2B4
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Welcome New Parishioners!

Please introduce yourself and your family to me before or after Mass to welcome you to our parish community.

All parishioners are encouraged to register in our community and participate in the Church activities.

We are here to support each other and grow in our relationship with God and with our neighbors.

Registration forms can be found on the counter in the Church foyer or call the office.

Your Pastor,
Fr. David

Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday to Friday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Closed on Tuesdays

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 Rev. David Twaddle, 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, OCTOBER 3

9:00 am Dominic Tho Tran R.I.P. - Anh Ngo

5:00 pm Joseph Tran R.I.P. - Tran Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4

9:00 am The People of the Parish

11:00 am Jose Gaviola R.I.P. - Virginita Gaviola

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6

7:00 pm In Thanksgiving - Lino & Doris Spiteri

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7

9:00 am Antonio Alves R.I.P. &

Deceased Members of the Family - Maria Alves

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8

7:00 pm Margaret Roberts R.I.P. - Sara Giannini

Kristina Stekar R.I.P. - Stekar Family

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9

9:00 am Ivy & Jeremiah Pumphrey R.I.P. - Sheila

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

9:00 am Margaret Roberts R.I.P. - Linda McLean

5:00 pm Cosmo Tavone R.I.P. - Bettina Tavone

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11

9:00 am Rosina Ruffolo R.I.P.

- Maria & Angelo Gaudio

11:00 am The People of the Parish



Mass every Saturday morning at 9:00 a.m. with Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help.



Pray

For the sick: May God shower them with His love and compassion, especially Michelina Ciociola, Maria Nguyen, Matthew Parris and Techlar Donaldson.

For the faithful departed: That all who have died may be purified of sin and welcomed into the glory of heaven.

Pope's October Prayer Intention: *For mental health ministry* - Let us pray that mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

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



October: Month of the Holy Rosary

The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. This is primarily due to the fact that the liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated annually on October 7. It was instituted to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection that she gives the Church in answer to the praying of the Rosary by the faithful.

Join us as we pray the Rosary together as a parish community after all the weekday Masses during the month of October. All parishioners, families, and friends are warmly invited and welcome.



Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us.



Weekly Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Don't forget our weekly devotions in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help every Saturday morning with Mass at 9:00 a.m. Together, we seek her intercession, comfort, and guidance in our daily lives.

Whether you are carrying a special intention, giving thanks, or simply seeking peace, you are welcome to come and pray with us. Let us place our needs and hopes into the loving hands of our Blessed Mother, who always leads us to her Son.

Registration Now Open: First Holy Communion & Confirmation

Parents and guardians are invited to register their children for these essential milestones in their faith journey.

First Holy Communion Eligibility: Open to children in Grade 2 or older who have received the Sacrament of Baptism. Preparation will cover both the Sacrament of First Reconciliation (Confession) and First Holy Communion. **Registration deadline is Sunday, October 25, 2026.**

Sacrament of Confirmation Eligibility: Open to youth in Grade 7 or older who have been baptized and have received their First Holy Communion. **Registration deadline is Sunday, October 25, 2026.**

Registration packages can be picked up at the church counter in the foyer after all weekend Masses.

KNOW YOUR CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

15. To whom is the deposit of faith entrusted?

84, 91, 94, 99 The Apostles entrusted the deposit of faith to the whole of the Church. Thanks to its supernatural sense of faith the people of God as a whole, assisted by the Holy Spirit and guided by the Magisterium of the Church, never ceases to welcome, to penetrate more deeply and to live more fully from the gift of divine revelation.

16. To whom is given the task of authentically interpreting the deposit of faith?

85-90, 100 The task of giving an authentic interpretation of the deposit of faith has been entrusted to the living teaching office of the Church alone, that is, to the successor of Peter, the Bishop of Rome, and to the bishops in communion with him. To this Magisterium, which in the service of the Word of God enjoys the certain charism of truth, belongs also the task of defining dogmas which are formulations of the truths contained in divine Revelation. This authority of the Magisterium also extends to those truths necessarily connected with Revelation.

Compendium of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*
Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

Come & See – Discernment Weekend Retreat November 6 - 8, 2026 at Augustine's Seminary

Why me, Lord?
Why not?

The Office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Discernment Retreat for men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary on Friday, November 6 (6:30 p.m.) until Sunday, November 8 (2 p.m.). This Retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at our seminary. Registration must be done online at: <https://www.vocationstoronto.ca/comeandsee>. For more information, please visit: <https://www.vocationstoronto.ca/>

Project Rachel at St. Mary's Refuge is offering a weekend retreat, November 13-15, 2026, for women who have been hurt by abortion. You can speak with someone who understands and you will have a chance to begin healing from loss and grief. Phone 613-473-2679 or e-mail ProjectRachel@stmarysrefuge.org, and visit <https://stmarysrefuge.org/rachel>.

The Tenants killed The Son!

Let me now sing for my beloved, my love song concerning his vineyard. My friend had a Vineyard on a very fertile hill; He dug it and cleared it of stones and planted Choice Vines; Within it he built a watchtower, and hewed out a Wine press in it. He expected it to yield grapes but it yielded wild grapes. Isaiah 5:1-2

In the 1st Reading, Isaiah, the Prophet, in a song, summarizes in a nut shell the relationship between God and his People, using the Image of the Vineyard and the Vine. The Vineyard, by the time of Isaiah, had come to represent "Israel;" A People through whom God's Love would be experienced in the World.

In the Gospel, today Jesus uses the Image of the Vine and the Vineyard to reveal his Father's generosity, having entrusted his Vineyard to tenants. When the time of the harvest came, he sort justice from the tenants in return to his generosity. But the tenants having a mind of their own, wanted the vineyard and its produce for themselves.

The Land Owner, remains patient even when the tenants mistreated and even killed his messengers. The peak of his patience, was when he sends His Son, with the words; "I will send my Son," "they will respect my Son;" Or so he hoped. The reaction of the Tenants manifests the depth of their ingratitude and wickedness; They Killed the Son!

The fundamental question then became; "What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?"

The Chief Priest and the Elders responded; "He will put those wretched men to a wretched death and lease his vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the proper time."

Here is the sad truth; these Elders of the people failed to realize and acknowledge that the role of the dishonest tenants represented them. They could not apply the lesson of the Parable to themselves, hence they could not repent and find life in Christ.

Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund Collection This weekend - October 3/4, 2026

Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in the collection being held this weekend - October 3/4, 2026 to support the Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund. The collection is part of a national grassroots effort to assist healing and reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of This Land. For more information, to donate online or to read letter from Cardinal Leo to the faithful, visit:

<https://www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation>.

Letter from Cardinal Leo to the faithful can also be found on our bulletin board. Thank you for your generosity.

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