

SAINT JOHN XXIII PARISH

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Sunday Mass

Sat Vigil Mass 5:15PM / Sun Mass 9AM, 12:15PM & 5:30PM.
(Weekdays: Mon, Wed, Fri 7PM; Tues, Thurs, Sat 9AM)

Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated on the second Saturday of the month at 11AM and third Sunday of the month at 1:30PM. Preparation session is required.

Reconciliation (confession)

Before all Sun Masses/Sat Vigil Mass and the Wed Mass or by appointment. Confessional is in Adoration Chapel.

Anointing of the Sick

At any time by appointment. In case of emergency, please ask hospital for Catholic priest. Or see Fr Simon.

Marriage: See Fr Simon before setting a date.

RCIA

If you know someone who wishes to become Catholic speak to priest.

Catholic Cemeteries:

Head Office: 416-733-8544

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CANDIDATES

Congratulations to our First Holy Communion Candidates and their Families

Grade 2:

1. Ali, Aida
2. Asegid, Nakida
3. Barit, Shania
4. Diza, Andrewwayne
5. Echavez, Eljha
6. Edwards, Maya
7. Emore, Serome
8. Gocatek, Jomary
9. Gulli, Kamea
10. Karocque-Nze, Jabari
11. Lee, Brenda
12. Livelu, Briden

13. Mercado-Somera, Joseah
14. Padayao, Jasmine
15. Pagatpat, Theresa-Elaine
16. Paygane, Audrey
17. Piodena, Markus
18. Siouan, Mikaella
19. Tottoc, Hayden-Blake
20. Yanson, Krystyna

Grade3:

21. David, James
22. Driz, Mary
23. Gentuya, Ayara
24. Knight, Kaleb

25. Knight, Koreb
26. Sampson, Jahziah
27. Umali, Eunice
28. Unciano, James
29. Vendiola, Trishtine
30. Villaymayor, Arrianh
32. Villarino, Haleigh-Anne

Grade 4,5,6

33. Baptiste, Tatiana
34. Davy Nieto, Joseph
35. Corpuz, Jin
36. Emore, Tanure

CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

**THE EIGHTH COMMANDMENT:
YOU SHALL NOT BEAR FALSE WITNESS
AGAINST YOUR NEIGHBOUR**

521. What is one's duty toward the truth?

Every person is called to sincerity and truthfulness in acting and speaking. Everyone has the duty to seek the truth, to adhere to it and to order one's whole life in accordance with its demands. In Jesus Christ the whole of God's truth has been made manifest. He is "the truth". Those who follow him live in the Spirit of truth and guard against duplicity, dissimulation, and hypocrisy.

522. How does one bear witness to the truth?

A Christian must bear witness to the truth of the Gospel in every field of his activity, both public and private, and also if necessary, with the sacrifice of his very life. Martyrdom is the supreme witness given to the truth of the faith.

523. What is forbidden by the eighth commandment?

The eighth commandment forbids:

- false witness, perjury, and lying, the gravity of which is measured by the truth it deforms, the circumstances, the intentions of the one who lies, and the harm suffered by its victims;
- rash judgment, slander, defamation and calumny which diminish or destroy the good reputation and honor to which every person has a right;
- flattery, adulation, or complaisance, especially if directed to serious sins or toward the achievement of illicit advantages.

A sin committed against truth demands reparation if it has caused harm to others.

524. What is required by the eighth commandment?

The eighth commandment requires respect for the truth accompanied by the discretion of charity in the field of communication and the imparting of information, where the personal and common good, the protection of privacy and the danger of scandal must all be taken into account; in respecting professional secrets which must be kept, save in exceptional cases for grave and proportionate

reasons; and also in respecting confidences given under the seal of secrecy.

525. How is one to use the means of social communication?

The information provided by the media must be at the service of the common good. Its content must be true and – within the limits of justice and charity – also complete. Furthermore, information must be communicated honestly and properly with scrupulous respect for moral laws and the legitimate rights and dignity of the person.

526. What relationship exists between truth, beauty and sacred art?

The truth is beautiful, carrying in itself the splendour of spiritual beauty. In addition to the expression of the truth in words there are other complementary expressions of the truth, most specifically in the beauty of artistic works. These are the fruit both of talents given by God and of human effort. Sacred art by being true and beautiful should evoke and glorify the mystery of God made visible in Christ, and lead to the adoration and love of God, the Creator and Savior, who is the surpassing, invisible Beauty of Truth and Love.

REFUGEES

Can You Help?

St John XXIII parish is sponsoring three (3) refugees in Turkey who fled Iran in fear of their lives because they converted to Christianity and were being persecuted for this. The Office of Refugees, Archdiocese of Toronto (ORAT), will be handling the paperwork.

Single sister is \$18,000 and mother and son are now \$27,000 which comes to a total of \$45,000 needs to be raised. These monies will ensure rent, food, and other living expenses for the first year in Canada. This money is required by immigration Canada so that the family will have a year to settle and find jobs. ORAT's office will bank these monies in a joint account with St JXXIII Parish.

If it be God's will that we help them enter Canada, then the Lord will provide funding through us for them.

DONATIONS

Donated: \$3419.

Pledge: \$5,000. Total: \$8,419.00



MASS INTENTIONS

Mon, May 6, 7PM:

+*Eugenia e Domitilo Abordo*

Tues May 7, 9AM:

+*Olivia Dizon*

Wed May 8, 7PM:

+*Francisco Robles Sr*

Thurs May 9, 9AM:

Intention of Justa Velinor

Fri May 10, 7PM

+*Anthony Ramsawaksingh*

Sat May 11, 9AM

+*Esperanza Gabriel*

Saturday, May 11

5:15PM: +*Alice e John Sequeira*

Sunday, May 12

9AM: +*Petra Damasco Perlas*

12:15PM: +*Lucia Ruiz*

5:30PM: *The Parishioners*

SACRAMENT OF HOLY CONFIRMATION

Rehearsal

Friday, May 17: 7:30PM (no sponsors)

Retreat & Confessions

Saturday, May 18: 9:30AM—12:30PM

Confirmation Mass

Saturday, May 18: 5:15PM

Confirmandi & Sponsors be in Hall by 4:30PM

INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP

Need Prayer Help?

Call Beth at 416-467-6492. Your intention will be emailed out to this prayer community. Only first name and intention will be shared.

VOCATIONS

How am I being called to feed the lambs of Jesus?

Could it be as an ordained or consecrated person? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto
416-968-0997

vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

VIGIL CANDLES

Saturday, May 11—Friday, May 17

Sanctuary Tabernacle:

Chapel Tabernacle:

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK & SHUT-INS

Call parish office and let us know—416-429-4000

CHALICE CHILDREN'S COLLECTION

Total for 2018/19 \$1,227. Next Collection: May 26

NIGHT VIGIL

First Friday Overnight Vigil

Fri/Sat, June 7/8, 7:30PM—6AM In Adoration Chapel

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Last Sunday's Offering—\$3,679.

To break even weekly—\$3,000 needed.

DEVOTIONS FOR EASTER SEASON

Holy Hour with Exposition & Benediction Of The Blessed Sacrament

Sundays: 4PM to 5PM from 2nd Sunday of Easter

PRAY FOR THE POPES MAY

MISSION INTENTION

The Church in Africa, a Seed of Unity

That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for this continent.

DVD LENDING LIBRARY

Please Return DVDs

Do you have a DVD at home which you have forgotten to return? Lent it out? Please get them back! Many of the DVDs have been missing for too long.

SMILE

Easter

- Despite the forecast, live like it's spring.
- Earth's saddest day and gladdest day were just three days apart!
- Easter is very important to me, it's a second chance.
- Easter is meant to be a symbol of hope, renewal, and new life.
- On the Third Day, he arose so that we may be forgiven. God Bless You This Easter.
- For I remember it is Easter morn, And life and love and peace are all newborn.
- On this Easter Sunday, forgive someone, tell someone you love him and let your light shine.
- Our minds cannot comprehend God's love for us. It is everlasting. It is yours. Happy Easter.

Funny Easter Captions

- Somebunny loves you.
- Those have a short Lent, who owe money to be paid at Easter.
- Easter says you can put truth in a grave, but it won't stay there.
- My mom used to say that Greek Easter was later because then you get stuff cheaper.



TOTUSTUUS

Dear Parents,

—We Have Invited Totus Tuus Back—

Once Again, Four (4) Young Missionaries Are Coming To Our Parish This Summer For One Week:

Sun, July 14—Sat, July 19.

The Day program commences on Mon to Fri of this week from 8:45AM to 2:30PM daily

During the week, the children entering grades 1 through 6 in the upcoming fall school year participate in 4 classes each day, attend daily Mass, learn the Mass parts and liturgical songs, participate in games, icebreakers, skits, songs, recess, and prayer. The grade school curriculum helps children to learn and be reinforced in important principles of their Catholic faith.

The evening program commences at 6:45PM to 9PM daily:

Sunday to Thursday of this week Totus Tuus offers evening instruction for junior and senior high school youth (grades 7-12) during the week in the evenings. We have found that energetic, faithful, college-aged teachers can effectively impact junior and senior high school youth. The team teaches in such a way as to continually offer a dialogue by which participants feel respected in their most basic dignity.

**—Registration Fee: \$10 per Student—
Sign-Up Sheet in Foyer**

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

Next Youth Ministry Night: Service

Friday, May 10, 2019, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

Next Youth Ministry Night: Social

Friday, May 17, 2019, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm in the Parish Hall.

MOVIE NIGHT

The Catholic Women's League Invite You To Their Second Movie Night

Title of Movie

Book of Daniel

Date

Saturday, June 1

Place

St John XXIII Parish Hall

Time

7:00 PM

Cost

\$5.00 for Adults and children 13 years old and over

\$2.50 for children 12 years old and under

Note* Tickets will be sold every weekend after each Mass starting May 4, 2019.

Seats are limited so get your tickets early.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

St Francois de Laval—*Bishop—Mon, May 6:* Saint François de Laval (1623-1708) was the first Bishop of New France. His diocesan territory originally included most of what is now Canada, much of upper New England and all the Mississippi Valley, extending even to the Rocky Mountains. He is admired for his pastoral work among the Aboriginal Peoples and the settlers of New France, and for trying to defend Native People from being exploited by merchants and governors through the sale of alcohol. He was especially committed to education, founding both a major and a minor seminary. The Séminaire de Québec, which later established Laval University, has made major contributions in the intervening centuries to higher academic education not only in Quebec and the rest of Canada, but throughout North America. Saint François de Laval was known for his commitment to evangelization and his generosity to the poor. After his resignation as Bishop of Québec, he devoted his final years to prayer, penance and the care of the poor.

Sayings of St Francois deLaval:

We must place all our trust and our strength in God...We must let ourselves be guided by Providence.

The Spirit of God asks for a peaceful, collected heart, not a worried, drifting heart. We should have a joyful and modest face, avoid mocking and upsetting others, and as a general rule all that is contrary to a saint and joyful modesty. May your modesty be known to all men.

It is the role of the harvest's grand master to send workers in his vineyard; all our human industry and our eager care does not carry forth God's work.

May they (the missionaries) remember that through patience the seeds of God Word bears fruit.

But in the heart of all this turmoil, we must not be demoralized; if men have the power to destroy, Our Lord's hand is infinitely more powerful to build. We need only be faithful to Him and let Him work.

A nasty word, an impatient act or an unwelcoming face can often, in one moment, destroy all that we have built.

Let nothing in our lives or in our moral conduct contradict what we say.



For a long time now, God has given me the grace of seeing all that happens to me in this life is a result of His Providence.

As long as His Holy Will be done, we do not mind.

It seems to be my entire peace, my happiness in this life to not (wish) for another paradise. The Kingdom of God is found within our soul, which is our centre and our all. His Blessed Mother, Her Holy Husband, pray to Them well.

We must not have another object than the pleasing of Our Lord.

May they try to avoid two extremities that are to be found in those who apply themselves to the conversion of souls: to hope too much or to despair too much. Those who hope too much are often the first to fully despair once faced with the great difficulties found in the undertaking of converting the faithless, that is rather the work of God than the industry of men. May they remember that the seed of God's Word bears fruit through patience. Those who do not have that patience are in danger, after having thrown much fire in the beginning, of losing courage in the end and of leaving the venture.



Living The Gospel With Justice And Love

"ShareLife represents a reliable signpost on the course mapped out by our Pastoral Plan—namely, its core direction of 'Catholic Outreach in Justice and Love. 'The work of our agencies, and your generosity towards them, serve as a pathway through which acts of justice and love are realized, and the witness of the Catholic faith is strengthened."

— Cardinal Thomas Collins

***Today is ShareLife Sunday.
Thank you for your generosity.***

“Do You Love Me?”

Jesus



This Sunday's Readings: *First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 5:27-32,40b-41—The apostles are brought before the Sanhedrin and ordered to stop speaking in Jesus' name; Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 30:2,4,5-6,11-12,13—A song of praise to God who rescues us; Second Reading: Revelation 5:11-14; John describes his vision of the praises that will be sung to the Lamb by every creature on heaven and earth; Gospel Reading: John 21:1-19 (short form:John 21:1-14)—Jesus appears to the disciples for a third time after his Resurrection and shares a meal with them.*

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel is one of the post-Resurrection appearances reported by John. Recall that in John's Gospel, Jesus appears first to Mary of Magdala, second to all of the disciples except Thomas, and finally to Thomas and the disciples ^(last Sunday).

This Gospel reading is a rich and textured story that speaks of Jesus' presence in the Eucharist and our commission to serve others as Jesus did.

Last week we heard that Jesus appeared to the gathered disciples in a locked room, probably in Jerusalem. In today's Gospel, the disciples are no longer in Jerusalem; they are in Galilee, returning to their work of fishing. Simon Peter is still presented in the role of leader: when he announces that he is going fishing, the other disciples follow. They spend the night fishing but are unsuccessful.

Jesus calls to them from the shore, but just as when Jesus first appeared to Mary of Magdala, the disciples do not recognize him immediately. Still, they follow the stranger's instructions and bring in a large haul of fish. It is at this point that one of the disciples (the “disciple whom Jesus loved”) realizes that Jesus is appearing to them. Upon hearing this news, Simon Peter leads the way again,

jumping from the boat and swimming to shore. The other disciples follow in the boat, dragging the fish.

The disciples have brought to shore a tremendous catch of fish that Jesus has directed them to find. But once on the shore, they see that Jesus has already prepared fish and bread on a charcoal fire. Jesus directs the disciples to bring their catch of fish as well. Jesus is host at the meal that follows, feeding the disciples the bread and fish. In this detail we see allusions to the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and the fishes told in John 6.

There are also allusions in the Gospel to our gathering for the celebration of the Mass. In the Eucharist, we too are fed by Jesus in the bread and wine that have become his very Body and Blood. We also find in this story insight about the Presentation of the Gifts at Mass. The gifts we bring to the altar, bread and wine, are made from gifts that God gave first to us: grain and grapes, the fruit of the earth. God has no need of anything further. Yet God accepts the offering we bring—bread and wine, “the work of human hands”—and transforms our offering into the gift of his very presence.

After the meal, Jesus directs himself to Simon Peter. The community of John's Gospel probably looked down on Peter because of his denial of Jesus. This dialogue with Simon Peter is a reversal of Peter's three denials. Peter is forgiven. Having been restored to friendship with Jesus, Simon Peter is sent on a mission. “Feed my lambs . . . Tend my sheep . . . Feed my sheep.” These commands indicate that Peter is to be as Jesus, even unto sacrificing for the flock. As Jesus has fed Peter in this meal and as Jesus feeds us in the Eucharist, so he also sends us to follow him, asking that we offer our lives in service and sacrifice.

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CATHOLICS COME HOME

www.catholicscomehome.org

WHAT DOES THE CATHOLIC CHURCH BELIEVE HAPPENS AFTER DEATH?

Answer: The Church believes that a person faces the particular judgment at death. God judges our souls and finds us either able to enter heaven immediately, needing to go through further purification in purgatory or capable of hell because of our refusal to detach ourselves from sin and our unwillingness to repent. At the end of time, there will be a general judgment, at which time our bodies will be resurrected to join our souls in our eternal life, whether that be in heaven or hell.

What happens to us after death is an indication of our own personal, free choice to choose God and the path to holiness or to turn against Him. What happens after death also indicates who our God is—a God of both justice and mercy.

As Christians, we should not fear death, but rather ready ourselves for it, by growing in holiness and striving for eternal life.

WHY DOES THE CATHOLIC CHURCH BELIEVE IN PURGATORY?

Answer: The Catholic Church’s belief in the existence of purgatory is indeed scriptural! First of all, it is important to understand what the Church believes purgatory is. The Catechism describes purgatory like this: “All who die in God’s grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven” (CCC 1030).

Note that the Church believes that purgatory is not an eternal state, but rather a state of purification before entering eternal life with God in heaven.

Scripture teaches us that nothing unclean can enter heaven (Revelation 21:27). Scripture also describes a place where a man goes and suffers loss, yet is still saved, but only through fire (1 Corinthians 3:13-15). Purgatory is this place that cleanses us of whatever impurity we have when we die, allowing us to enter into God’s presence without the stain of sin.

RENOVATIONS

Heaters: Replacement of Entrance heaters: \$13,000. The recent cold weather revealed that they are no longer functioning properly. Will be done this May.

Doors:
Replacement of all 6 Building doors. New quote—15,000. Job scheduled for week of April 29.

MISSION SUPPORT GROUP

Refugee Fundraiser—Raffle Draw

Tickets on sale after all Sunday Masses

Grand Prize: \$250.

5 consolation prizes: Gift certificates for groceries

Tickets: 3 for \$5 Or 7 for \$10

Draw Date: Sunday, May 12 in Hall after the 9AM Mass

Ticket sales after all Sunday Masses

Contact: Amy (647) 878-2534; Benjie (416) 696-6133

MARCH FOR LIFE

Thursday May 9, 2019

Day Trip: Parliament Hill, Ottawa / **Rally:** 12:30PM

& March: 1:30PM / **We have booked two (2) 56 seater Coaches (CDC)**

SCHEDULE

Mass For Life: 6:30AM / **Depart STJXXIII:** 7AM /

Depart Ottawa: 3Pm / Washroom-Coffee Break At Service Centre Going To Ottawa; Dinner Break On The Way Back At Service Centre. **Cost: \$10 — Payment On Coach—**

L.F.C.P.C. PRAYER MEETING

Wednesdays

The Living for Christ Prayer Community (LFCPC) meets every Wed after the 7PM Mass in the Church basement.

Welcome All


Open to all, the evening is a combination of praise and worship songs, teachings, witnessing and an opportunity to pray as a community. It is a gathering of Christians to worship and thank Jesus as our Lord and Saviour, as the Holy Spirit moves us.

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Takes place in the Adoration Chapel
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 6PM, concludes with Benediction at few minutes or an with the Lord. Pray for your family, yourself.

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**FAMILY AT THE HEART OF PRAYER –
ARCHDIOCESAN GATHERING OF FAMILIES**

***Saturday, June 22, 2019, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. at St.
Maximilian Kolbe Parish, 4260 Cawthra Road,
Mississauga, ON L4Z 1V8.***

Cardinal Thomas Collins is pleased to invite families from across the diocese to our second annual Archdiocesan gathering of families! Our family-friendly day will include inspirational talks from Cardinal Collins and families, prayer, praise and worship, Saturday morning Mass, and hands-on activities. Grandparents, parents and children of all ages are welcome.

The cost to attend is \$35 per family (any size) and includes lunch and snacks. Registration opens on May 1 and tickets are limited. To register, please visit:

www.archtoronto.org/family.

This event is being hosted by the Office of Formation for Discipleship at Archdiocese of Toronto in collaboration with the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, BLD Toronto, Couples for Christ, Faith Connections, Focolare and Teams of Our Lady.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call (416) 934-3400 ext. 523 or at formation@archtoronto.org.