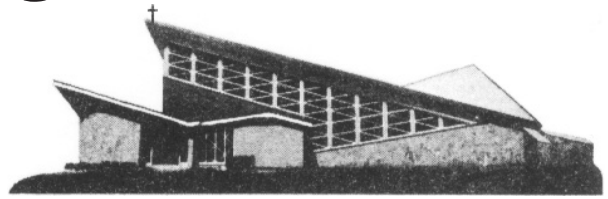


# St. John the Evangelist Church

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## Pastoral Team

Rev. Francisco Fernandez Siles	Pastor
Rev. Michael Holmes	Associate Pastor
Rev. Mr. Raymond Del Castilho	Permanent Deacon
Miss Susan Douglas	Lay Pastoral Asst.
Mrs. Vicki Morgan	Secretary
Mrs. Cathy Dykeman	Parish Home Catechism
Mr. Brendon Orian	Youth Ministry

## Support Staff

Mr. Troy Sabao	Caretaker
Mr. Kevin Dashney	Director of Music
Mrs. Sue McGee	Bookkeeper
Mrs. Gail Stewart	Cook/Housekeeper

## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday  
 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon  
 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Evening Reception  
 Tues., Wed.  
 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

<b>SUNDAY LITURGY</b> —	Saturday	5:00 p.m.
	Sunday	9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
<b>SPANISH MASS</b> —	Sunday	2:00 p.m.
<b>WEEKDAY MASSES</b> —	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday	8:20 a.m.
	Wednesday (Rosary at 6:30 p.m.)	7:00 p.m. (OLPH Devotions)

## **EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR**

On first Friday of each month following morning mass.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** — Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. By appointment any time.

**PARISH REGISTRATION** — All parishioners especially those who live outside our parish boundaries are expected to complete a Parish Registration form and use Sunday Offertory Envelopes. This will greatly assist the Parish Team when parishioners request sacraments, funerals or letters of reference.

**N.B.** — When parishioners move you are asked to notify the parish office.

**INFANT BAPTISMS** — It is highly recommended that parents contact the parish office at least two months in advance of the birth of their child. Parents are obliged to participate in our baptismal preparation program.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE** — The Archdiocese of Toronto requires that you contact your parish priest at least one year in advance of the planned date of your wedding and that you participate in a marriage preparation course.

**PARISH HOME CATECHISM PROGRAM** — Children attending public, private or alternative school are required to participate in this program from grade 1 - 7 in order to prepare to receive the sacraments.

**VISITATION OF THE SICK** — Please notify the Rectory when a member of your family is in the hospital.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE** — Monday 9:00 a.m. in writing or by e-mail.

Pastoral Council	Fr. Francisco Fernandez	905-668-3676
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Christian Initiation of Adults - RCIA	Christine Hannon	905-444-9913
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First Reconciliation & First Eucharist Preparation	Susan Douglas	905-668-3676
Confirmation Preparation	Susan Douglas	905-668-3676
Parish Home Catechism Program	Cathy Dykeman	905-668-0724

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Liturgy of the Word with Children (JK-Gr.2) Sun. 9:00 a.m. Mass	Phyllis Pereira	905-665-5917
Ministers of Consolation	Anne Marie Yaraskavitch	905-666-3860
Parish Prayer Group	Klara Bari	905-668-9579
Ushers	Sharon Weslake	905-668-4817

Catholic Women's League	Lynne Childerhouse	905-431-6582
Development & Peace (CCODP)	Estela Rios	905-430-7753
Knights of Columbus #4895	Bryan Childerhouse	416-508-9877
St. Vincent de Paul Society - Help Line		905-430-6734

Catholic Cemeteries			905-668-8912
Catholic Family Services	Oshawa 905-725-3513	Ajax	905-428-1984
Rose of Durham (Young Parent Support Services)	1-800-241-3534	or	905-432-3622

<b>St. John the Evangelist School</b>	905-668-4011	<b>St. Marguerite d'Youville School</b>	905-666-9301
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## THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Peace to all of you!

As the number of Covid cases rise all over the world, we may feel afraid and scared of catching it. This pandemic has gone on for eight months already and it seems unending. We do not know for how long it will stay with us. For sure, it is making us concerned and it is changing the way that we used to live and to relate to people. In the midst of this uneasiness and worrisome time, I invite you to rely in the Lord. The readings of today encourages us to negotiate with the talents that we have been given. What talents have we been given? Especially they refer to all the abundant graces that the Lord has showered and continues to share with us. What have we done with these graces? Have they given any fruit of peace, love and joy in our lives? If we feel dry, we do not give and show the fruit of love in our lives, the Lord is ready to offer us a new heart, a heart of flesh that is able to love and to give oneself to the others. What must we do? Just offer our broken hearts to Him so that He can renew them and transform them. His grace suffices us, the Holy Spirit that can do anything for us, even what seems impossible. With the help of the Holy Spirit, we will be able to live at peace in the midst of this difficult times and our hope will be a beacon for many people that live without any horizon in their lives. Please let us all keep up attached to the Risen Christ and our lives will be fulfilled!

Pope Francis Homily, 33 Sunday in ordinary time

The Gospel parable speaks of gifts. It tells us that we have received talents from God, "according to ability of each" (Mt 25:15). Before all else, let us realize this: we do have talents; in God's eyes, we are "talented". Consequently, no one can think that he or she is useless, so poor as to be incapable of giving something to others. We are chosen and blessed by God, who wants to fill us with his gifts, more than any father or mother does with their own children. And God, in whose eyes no child can be neglected, entrusts to each of us a mission.

Indeed, as the loving and demanding Father that he is, he gives us responsibility. In the parable, we see that each servant is given talents to use wisely. But whereas the first two servants do what they are charged, the third does not make his talents bear fruit; he gives back only what he had received. "I was afraid – he says – and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours" (v. 25). As a result, he is harshly rebuked as "wicked and lazy" (v. 26). What made the Master displeased with him? To use a word that may sound a little old-fashioned but is still timely, I would say it was his omission. His evil was that of failing to do good. All too often, we have the idea that we haven't done anything wrong, and so we rest content, presuming that we are good and just. But in this way we risk acting like the unworthy servant: he did no wrong, he didn't waste the talent, in fact he kept it carefully hidden in the ground. But to do no wrong is not enough. God is not an inspector looking for unstamped tickets; he is a Father looking for children to whom he can entrust his property and his plans (cf. v. 14). It is sad when the Father of love does not receive a generous response of love from his children, who do no more than keep the rules and follow the commandments, like hired hands in the house of the Father (cf. Lk 15:17). Omission is also the great sin where the poor are concerned. Here it has a specific name: indifference. It is when we say, "That doesn't regard me; it's not my business; it's society's problem".

(November 19, 2017).

Fr. Francisco Fernandez, Your servant and your Pastor  
Fr. Mike Holmes, Associate Pastor

### First Reconciliation

**An online preparation session for First Reconciliation will be held on Saturday, November 28, 2020 at 11am. If your child is registered in our program, please continue to check your email for updates from Susan.**

### Youth Ministry

As the year continues on so does Youth Ministry. Both our Edge (Gr 6-8) and Life Teen (Gr 9-12) are being run in person. We are taking every precaution to keep your children safe during this time of pandemic. The remaining nights for 2020 are:

Edge: Friday, Nov 27th & Dec 18th 7pm-8pm in the church  
LifeTeen: Thursday, Dec 3rd 7pm-8pm in PC Main

We hope to see you there. Please feel free to email Brendon Orian at [sjewhitbyyouth@gmail.com](mailto:sjewhitbyyouth@gmail.com) with any questions. Or follow us on Facebook or Instagram @sjewhitbyyouth."



### DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

#### "RECOVERING TOGETHER" CAMPAIGN VIRTUAL WORKSHOP

COVID-19 has impacted all of us not just in Canada but all over the world, and the impact on our partners and their communities and their work has been especially severe. It has also highlighted inequalities both in our own societies, and across the globe. Countries in the Global South suffer from limited medical and hospital resources, and poor social support systems for those who have lost their livelihoods because of the virus. As well communities in the south are increasingly impacted by climate change.

Our campaign is a response to Pope Francis' call for a just recovery for all.

To learn more about the impact on communities and the work that Development and Peace is doing and the action you can take, register to attend the "Toronto's Recovering Together Campaign Workshop" to take place on Zoom on **Saturday, November 21, 2020 at 10:00 AM.**

[CLICK HERE](#) to Register for the workshop!

Or check: [www.devp.org](http://www.devp.org) "Online Activities 2020"

Or send an email to: [torentodevp@gmail.com](mailto:torentodevp@gmail.com) for more information

### Knights of Columbus Special Olympics Bottle Drive Fundraiser

The Knights of Columbus, St John the Evangelist Council, would like to thank all our fellow parishioners for their generosity in helping to raise \$500 for Special Olympics which is well over double of what was collected last year.

**The Book of Life**



The month of November is traditionally known as the month of the Holy Souls, having at its beginning the two great feasts - All Saints and All Souls. To commemorate your faithful departed family and friends, you are invited to submit a page for the "Book of Life." This page should be 8 1/2" by 11" and fit into a standard 3-ring binder. On it you may type or print the names of whomever you would like to have remembered in a special way at all our parish Masses during November. You may decorate your "Family Page" in whatever way you wish, as long as it fits the above requirements. This "Book of Life" will be left in the sanctuary during November to remind us to pray, at church and at home for our loved ones. Please note previous years of pages are included already.



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**ShareLife**

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**CHRISTMAS GIVING 2020**

THE SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL IS CHANGING THE WAY OUR NEIGHBOURS IN NEED RECEIVE SUPPORT THIS CHRISTMAS, DUE TO THE COVID RESTRICTIONS WE ARE FACING.

TO SAFELY ASSIST FAMILIES THIS YEAR, ONLY GIFT CARDS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO FAMILIES AND SENIORS. IN ORDER TO SUPPORT THIS ENDEAVOUR, WE ARE ASKING FOR CASH AND CHEQUE DONATIONS. NO GIFTS WILL BE REQUESTED. DONATIONS OF GIFT CARDS ARE ALSO HAPPILY ACCEPTED, HOWEVER THE SOCIETY PROVIDES TAX RECEIPTS FOR CASH AND CHEQUE DONATIONS.

**THE COIN BANK CAMPAIGN IS POSTPONED UNTIL NEXT YEAR.**

DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, PLEASE USE THE SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL ENVELOPES AVAILABLE AT THE BACK COUNTER IN THE CHURCH AND ATTACHED TO THE BULLETIN TODAY, TO MAKE YOUR DONATION. DISTRIBUTION OF THE GIFT CARDS TO THE FAMILIES WILL TAKE PLACE DURING THE SECOND WEEK OF DECEMBER, SO PLEASE MAKE YOUR DONATION EARLY!

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO IDENTIFY YOURSELF ON THE FRONT OF THE ENVELOPE FOR TAX RECEIPT PURPOSES.**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!**



**The Shepherds' Trust Special Collection  
November 14/15, 2020**

The mission of The Shepherds' Trust is to raise awareness and funds so that elderly priests are provided with sufficient financial resources to lead a dignified life after many years of ministry. The fund supports the needs of retired clergy in the Archdiocese of Toronto who have served for many years. By supporting The Shepherds' Trust, retired priests are given the dignity of adequate pensions, health care and other assistance in their golden years.

For more information about The Shepherds' Trust please visit [www.shepherdstrust.org](http://www.shepherdstrust.org).



**Masses For The Week**

**Sat. Nov. 14 – 5:00pm**

**+Lucy Hannon**

*req. by The Hannon Family*

**Mon Nov 16 – 8:20am**

**+Giovanni & Maria Beltrano**

*req. by Natale & Annamaria Ciardullo*

**Tues Nov 17 – 8:20am**

**+Aproniano Lantin**

*req. by Sammy Samson*

**Wed. Nov 18 – 7:00pm**

**+ALL SOULS**

**+Rosa Ridino-Cannella**

*req. by Rosa & Tony Cannella*

**+Antonio, Divina & Maria Ciardullo**

*req. by Natale & Annamaria Ciardullo*

**+Maggie Smith**

*req. by Elizabeth Deery & Family*

**+Alphons Kersten**

*req. by The Thompson Family*

**Thur. Nov. 19 – 8:20am**

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*req. by*

**Fri. Nov. 20 – 8:20am**

**+Gerard, Rosemary & Paul Morgan**

*req. by Pat & Vicki Morgan*

**Sat. Nov 21 – 5:00pm**

**+Michael Holmes Sr.**

*req. by Des & Marjorie Newman*

**Knights of Columbus**

An invitation from the Brothers of the St. John Evangelist Council 4895 to **join** the Knights of Columbus.

Our Membership drive will be held the weekend of December 5th and 6th. Members of the Knights will be on hand to meet and greet prospective new members on both December 5th after the 5 pm Mass and on Sunday December 6th after the 9 am and 11 am Masses and after the 2 pm Spanish Mass.

For more information about the Knights of Columbus, please contact Paul D'Aurelio [pgap@sympatico.ca](mailto:pgap@sympatico.ca) 905-665-3056

**New 2021 Missals** are available to purchase for \$5.00 from the table at the back of the church. The new liturgical year begins November 29, 2020

**Gate 3:16** is an outreach center located in Oshawa. It serves a vulnerable population by offering warmth and friendship in a peaceful and safe environment. Breakfast and lunches can be provided. Some of its clients are homeless individuals while others may live in rooming houses. Access to shower, laundry and gently used clothing and hygiene items are available. Other supports include counselling, hairdressing, medical and dental servicing. **Gate 3:16 is currently in need of gently used sleeping bags and boots.**

**Donations are at Gate 3:16. Please contact: 905-432-5316 OR [office@gate3:16.org](mailto:office@gate3:16.org)**

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