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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Mon & Fri - Closed Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Evening Reception

Wed.

5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

SUNDAY LITURGY — Saturday 5:00 p.m.

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

SPANISH MASS — Sunday 2:00 p.m. **WEEKDAY MASSES** — Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 8:20 a.m.

Wednesday (Rosary at 6:30 p.m.) 7:00 p.m. (OLPH Devotions)

EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR

On first Friday of each month following morning mass.

005-668-3676

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 — Two Sudays per month at 4:00 p.m. 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.

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THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Message from the Pastor

The Peace of Christ be with you all!

We celebrate this Sunday the Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time. On the First Reading, from the First Book of Kings, we are presented with the story of a widow who welcomes the prophet Elijah, and she offers him a loaf of bread. This poor widow, out of her short supply, shares with the prophet what she has to live. Because of her generosity and trust, she will have more than enough to survive. It invites us to trust in the Lord and to be generous with our resources and time. If we do that, we are going to experience how God's Will gives us much more in abundance. He, not only will fill us with material resources, but with so much peace and joy! On the Second Reading, from the Letter to the Hebrews, it shows that Jesus Christ is our High Priest who has entered Heaven so that we can have access through Him into Eternal Life. Through His Death on the Cross and by his Resurrection, we have been forgiven of all our sins. Therefore, we can be transformed and have access to a life of holiness and virtue. In the Gospel, from St. Mark, we see how Christ argues with the Pharisees and scribes and warns them about the risk of trying to look out for their own selfish ambitions. We all can do what we do for our own advantage and selfish ways. However, if we follow that, we will remain empty. With God's grace, we can do things out of love for others. This will give us immense peace and will fulfill us. Even if we do a small thing, like the poor widow in the Gospel, we will reap much more than what we have done. God has called us to be generous and loving and not selfish and greedy. Let us open our hearts so that Christ may help us to give ourselves away! Christ has given Himself completely to us so that we can do the same moved by His mercy!

We are still asking you to register for weekend masses by website going to our (stjohntheevangelistwh.archtoronto.org) and click for register for mass with Eventbrite. The capacity of the Church is limited because of social distance, and we want to make sure that everybody is welcomed. We really encourage everybody to come and attend mass in person. I encourage you to invite everyone you know to come back to meet with God and with the parishioners. We will love so see families and young people coming back to mass. The weekend masses are at 5pm on Saturdays, 9am, 11 am and 2 pm in Spanish on Sundays. Confessions will be available again on Saturdays from 4pm to 4:45pm. On Sundays, confessions will be from 1:30pm to 2pm in Spanish. I strongly encourage you to come the announcement of the Good News that is happening on Mondays and Thursday at 7:30 pm in the Church. Through it, we are going to experience how God wants to fill us with fulness of life and mercy!

May God bless us with his peace!

Fr. Francisco Fernandez, Your servant and your Pastor

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Your Catholic Women's League would like to thank the members of the CWL who participated the 5km Walkathon project and their sponsors. Together we raised \$3,346.00 which will be used for our charitable donations. We sincerely appreciate your continued support of our league.

CHRISTMAS GIVING – 2021

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will be assisting our neighbours in need at Christmas.

Due to the restrictions of Covid 19, to safely assist our neighbours in need this year, we are not able to provide gifts. Only gift cards will be distributed. To support this endeavour, we are requesting your support with either cash or cheque donations. The Society provides tax receipts for cash or cheque donations. Donations of gift cards are also gratefully accepted. However, unfortunately we are not able to provide receipts for gift cards.

During the months of October and November, please use the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul envelopes which are available on the back counter in the Church. We will use your generous donations to purchase gift cards, and will distribute them to our neighbours in need in early December. It would be very helpful if we received your donation by November 30th, 2021.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO IDENTIFY YOURSELF ON THE FRONT OF THE ENVELOPE FOR TAX RECEIPT PURPOSES.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

St. John the Evangelist Conference
BUNDLE WEEKEND
November 13-14, 2021

Our conference at St. John's will be holding a Bundle Weekend Collection drive to serve our neighbours in need living in the Durham community. A truck will be parked in St. John Parish parking lot over the weekend Nov 13/14 accepting gently used/new clothing, coats, linens, towels, bedding, textiles, drapery, shoes/boots. We CANNOT accept furniture, appliances, mattresses, used baby equipment, books, dishes, construction material or video tapes. Please bring your items to the truck after mass Saturday at 5pm, Sunday 9am or 11am. A member of the conference will assist you with your donation. Thank you!

ONFIRMATION

(Grade 7)

REGISTRATION and INFORMATION NIGHT

in the Church (one parent & candidate to attend)
Tuesday, November 9 at 7:00 pm

(please bring completed registration form, a <u>\$40</u> fee for program expenses and a <u>photocopy</u> of your child's Baptism Certificate)



Masses For The Week

Sat Nov 6 - 5:00pm

+Giovanni & Rosina Ciardullo

req. by Natale & Anna Ciardullo

Mon Nov 8 - 8:20am

+Ah-Lang Shu reg. by Sou Yen Shu

Tues Nov 9 - 8:20am

+Antonio, Rosina & Giovanni Bozzarello

reg. by Anna & Natale Ciardullo

Wed Nov 10 - 7:00pm

+Michelle Stairs

req. by Jim Corrigan & Ann Belej-Corrigan

+Eric Dumigan

req. by John & Helen Ecker

+Bernice Kaiser

req. by Mary Louise LaBarre & Ken Reilly & Family

+All Souls in Purgatory

reg. by Mary Louise LaBarre

+Austin Schranz

reg. by Ed Schranz

+Intentions for $\overline{\text{All S}}\text{ouls}$

req. by Parish Intention

Thurs Nov 11 - 8:20am

Int for Bridget Carolan's Friends

reg. by the Carolan Family

Fri Nov 12 - 8:20am

+Deceased Members of the Riel & Vermette Family

req. by Pat Milburn

Employment Opportunity

We are seeking a full-time custodian at St. John's for general cleaning and maintenance for the church, parish centre, parish office and grounds. You must be physically fit and able to lift 50 pounds. Please submit your resume by email to stjohntheevangelistwh@archtoronto.org. No telephone calls please. Only those selected applicants considered for the position will be notified for an interview.



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 ½" 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.

Donation envelopes for All Souls are available to write the names of those you wish to be prayed for on All Souls Day November 2nd and each Wednesday evening in November at 7pm.

Please include your name and address for tax receipt purposes.



Let's put *People and Planet First* with Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's new campaign!

In Canada, most people can speak out freely when injustice is committed. In many countries of the Global South, however, communities are threatened when they seek to protect their rights, especially their right to a healthy environment. This climate of insecurity is often fuelled by the presence and influence of foreign corporations.

Development and Peace's annual **People and Planet First** campaign is inspired by the words of Pope Francis, who says that "a true ecological approach *always* becomes a social approach; it must integrate questions of justice in debates on the environment, so as to hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor" (Laudato Si', 49). These cries are too often silenced by powerful companies that plunder resources in countries of the Global South, without regard for people's fundamental human and environmental rights. Many such companies are Canadian.

Undaunted, many vulnerable communities fight courageously to defend their rights, their lands and the environment against corporate harm.

This year, Development and Peace's **People and Planet First** campaign invites you to stand in solidarity with them and celebrate their work!

To learn more about the campaign, browse our new website: https://www.devp.org/en/campaign/people-planet-first/.



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