

# St. Joseph The Worker Parish

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## Parish Office Team

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## Office Hours

Monday	Closed
Tuesday to Friday	10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Saturday	10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Sunday	10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

## Parish Groups

### Choirs Groups

5:00 p.m. Mass: ldefacendis@rogers.com  
10:30 a.m. Mass: Stefania.arizo@gmail.com  
12:00 p.m. Mass: ldefacendis@rogers.com

### Catholic Women's League

Mary Lynn Porto: jandml@rogers.com

### Hospitality Team

stjwparish@stjw.ca

### Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight: Mike Demedicis  
Mike.demicis@rogers.com

### St Vincent de Paul

For assistance call 647-303-2621  
ssvpsjwc@gmail.com

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Sunday Masses

ENGLISH	Saturday	5:00 p.m.
ITALIAN	Sunday	9:00 a.m.
ENGLISH	Sunday	10:30 p.m.
ENGLISH	Sunday	12:00 p.m.

### Weekday Masses

Tuesday & Thursday	9:00 a.m.
Wednesday & Friday	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m.

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:00 p.m.- 4:00 p.m. or email msgrkeenan@stjw.ca for an appointment.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Call the office in emergency or serious illness.

## BAPTISMS

Please contact the Parish Office for an appointment.

## MARRIAGE

Please contact the Parish Office at least 12 months in advance.

## HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME

Please call the Parish Office.

## ADORATION CHAPEL

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
Friday 9:00 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

## RESOURCE CENTRE/GIFT SHOP

Open for 30 minutes after each weekend Mass.  
stjwrc@stjw.ca

## PARISH SCHOOLS

### St Joseph the Worker C.E.S.

475 Brownridge Dr. 905-738-5703

### Our Lady of the Rosary C.E.S.

206 Glenshields Ave. 905-669-6690

### St Elizabeth C.H.S.

525 New Westminster Dr. 905-882-1460

### York Catholic School Board Trustee

Jennifer Wigston 416-835-0307  
jennifer.wigston@ycdsb.ca

## MASS READINGS

**First Reading:** Sirach 27.4-7

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 15.54-58

**Gospel:** Luke 6.39-45

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Sunday, 27 February, 9:00 AM (Italian)**

+ Vincenzo, Maria Jacinta Mariani

**Sunday, 27 February, 10:30 AM**

For all parishioners

**Sunday, 27 February, 12:00 PM**

+ Kochuthresia

**Tuesday, 1 March, 9:00 AM**

+ Fluffy & Domenico Micele

**Wednesday, 2 March, ASH WEDNESDAY**

**8:30 AM - Mass**

**10:00 AM - Our Lady of the Rosary & St. Elisabeth  
School Mass**

**1:30 PM - St. Joseph the Worker School Mass**

**7:00 PM - English Mass**

**Thursday, 3 March, 9:00 AM**

+ Souls in Purgatory

**Friday, 4 March, 7:00 PM**

+ Deceased Members of the Malfara, Galloro &  
Martino Families

Special Intention for Bryon M. R. Manansala

**Saturday, 5 March, 9:00 AM**

+ Oswald & Henrietta Lobo

**Saturday, 5 March, 5:00 PM**

Special Intention for Merly Raposas

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross will take place every Friday right after 7 p.m. Mass during Lent starting on 4 March 2022.

## LENTEN DAY OF RECONCILIATION

Lent Confessions will take place on Thursday 31 March: English & Italian 10 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. & 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

There will be several priests from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. in attendance to hear confessions in a variety of languages. *Mark your calendars!*

## ADORATION MINISTRY

***"Could you not keep watch one hour with me?"***

**(Mk 14:37)**

One of the pillars of Lenten spiritual growth is prayer (along with fasting and almsgiving). For Lent, we will have the Adoration Chapel open Monday through Saturday from 9:30 a.m. until 8:30 p.m. Please consider taking one hour each week during Lent to spend with Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. Let Him touch you, heal you, speak to you, love you, free you.

A weekly sign-up sheet will be available in the Adoration Chapel. How beautiful it would be for the Lord if we could have 66 people sign up each week to be with Him, and to pray for our parish, our homes and families, our community and country, the world and the Church.

***"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time that you will spend on Earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in heaven, and will help bring about an everlasting peace on Earth." -Mother Teresa of Calcutta***



### What is Eucharistic Adoration?

Eucharistic Adoration is the worship of the Eucharist outside of the Mass. The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us that, "Adoration is the first attitude of man acknowledging that he is a creature before his Creator. It exalts the greatness of the Lord who made us and the almighty power of the Savior who sets us free from evil. Adoration is homage of the spirit to the 'King of Glory,' respectful silence in the presence of the 'ever greater' God. Adoration of the thrice-holy and sovereign God of love blends with humility and gives assurance to our supplications." (CCC 2628)

We can show our adoration to God in many ways, but in Eucharistic Adoration, we spend time adoring the true presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **2022 YCDSB KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

The York Catholic District School Board provides a faith-filled, innovative Catholic Education rooted in Gospel values to 51,000 students in its 101 schools across York Region. Children born in 2018 can now register for Junior Kindergarten. Visit [www.ycdsb.ca](http://www.ycdsb.ca) to register for classes starting in September.

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## **COME AND SEE - DAY RETREAT**

**Saturday 19 March from 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.  
at St. Augustine's Seminary**

Inviting single Catholic men 18 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest.

Register online at [www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee)  
For more information, please contact Msgr Owen or the Office of Vocations at [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

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## **BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP VIRTUAL SESSIONS**

**Tuesday, 1-29 March, 2022 at 7:00 PM**

*Virtual Sessions*

If you or someone you know has lost a loved one, the Office of Formation for Discipleship is sponsoring Bereavement Support Group Sessions on Tuesdays from March 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29, 2022 from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

**Grieving with Great HOPE** is a Catholic faith-based program that consists of a five-week grief support workshop using a video-on-demand format available on Formed. It offers a prayerful, practical, and personal approach for anyone who is grieving the loss of a loved one. Sr. Gabriel Mary Riddle, CPS, Pastoral Assistant at St. Peter's Parish, Toronto will facilitate these sessions with the assistance of the seminarians from St. Augustine's Seminary of Toronto.

There is no cost to attend, but registration is required. To register, visit <https://bit.ly/BS-RegisterMar2022> by February 22, 2022. CONTACT: Sally Amaral at [samaral@archtoronto.org](mailto:samaral@archtoronto.org) or 416-934-3400, ext. 518.

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## **DISCERNING YOUTH MINISTRY LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP**

**Wednesday 23 March - 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.**

*A virtual event hosted by the Office of the Catholic Youth*

Calling all adults who are discerning whether to take on a role as youth minister or youth ministry coordinator for their parish. The Office of Catholic Youth is hosting a one-hour workshop for adults discerning a key leadership role focused on youth ministry in parishes. The workshop will be online from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. on March 23. The workshop will include content on understanding the culture of modern-day youth ministry, basic expectations and foundations of successful youth ministry, time management as a ministry leader and spiritual formation encouraged for those involved in youth ministry. Registration deadline for this workshop is March 17. Those wanting to register can do so by emailing John MacMullen.

Email: [jmacmullen@archtoronto.org](mailto:jmacmullen@archtoronto.org)

Website: [www.ocytoronto.org/youth](http://www.ocytoronto.org/youth)

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## **PROJECT RACHEL**

Project Rachel at St. Mary of Egypt Refuge is offering a weekend retreat, April 1-3, 2022, for women who have been hurt by aborting. You can speak with someone who understands and cares, and have a chance to begin the healing from loss and grief. Project Rachel is private and confidential. Phone 289-691-6840 or email [projectrachel@st.marysrefuge.org](mailto:projectrachel@st.marysrefuge.org)

Please know that Project Rachel's designated phone line is staffed by trained volunteers. It is answered Tuesday and Thursday from 6-9 p.m. and Saturday from 12-4 p.m. Messages can be left at any time.

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## **SPIRITUAL JOURNEY TO ISRAEL**

**23 November - 3 December, 2022**

Join Fr. Derek Ali on a 11 day trip to the Holy Land. The cost is \$4,575.00 CDN per person in double occupancy rooms. There will be an information meeting on Saturday 26 March 2022 from 1-2 p.m. in the Church Hall in the basement. For more information and for the trip itinerary, please pick up a flyer from the Church foyer.

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