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Tuesday to Friday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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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.

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. – 7:00 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.

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GOSPEL REFLECTION: BEING A CHILD OF GOD

"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you" (Luke 11:9-10)

Imagine the insider's view that Jesus' disciples must have had. They lived with him; they ate and drank with him. They saw his countless everyday interactions, most of which weren't recorded in Scripture. But today's Gospel gives us one that did.

Luke tells us that Jesus was praying, as he often did. The disciples must have observed him because they asked, *"Lord, teach us to pray"* (Luke 11:1). In response, Jesus gave them more than a set of words or a format or technique. He gave them an example and an invitation: to have a share in his own loving relationship with his Father.

How amazing that Jesus teaches the disciples to call God *"Father"* (Luke 11:2)! What a privilege to speak so directly and familiarly to God! The Hebrew Scriptures had referred to God as the father of the people of Israel or father of the king (Deuteronomy 32:6; 2 Samuel 7:14). But here, Jesus invites his disciples to call almighty God their own Father. Jesus likely used the word *Abba*, a word that expresses the bond of a child with his father. Isn't that amazing? Jesus gives them his own status as children of God and tells them to pray with the same childlike trust that he has (Luke 10:21).

Of course, this boldness didn't come naturally to the disciples—and it doesn't come naturally to us. So Jesus gives all of us an insider's view of the kind of Father we have. He is more merciful and generous than the best human father (Luke 6:36; 11:13). He is attentive to our needs and always ready to hear and answer our prayers (12:30; 11:10). He will not give us a scorpion when we ask for an egg (11:12). He is rich in kindness and forgiveness (23:34). How awesome that he welcomes us as his children!

Jesus wants to give you the courage to pray, "Father." So pray the Lord's Prayer with gratitude and awe that God is your loving Father.

"Father! Thank you for making me your child. Give me the grace to trust and surrender to Your plan for my life, allowing Thy will to be done .

MASS READINGS

First Reading: Genesis 18.20-32

Second Reading: Colossians 2.12-14

Gospel: Luke 11.1-13

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 24 July, 9:00 AM (Italian)

For all Parishioners

Sunday 24 July, 10:30 AM

For all Parishioners

Sunday 24 July, 12:00 PM

+ Antonio Godoy Sr.

Tuesday 26 July, 9:00 AM

+ Antonette Bearice Vetti

Wednesday 27 July, 7:00 PM

Blessings for Tony & Zulema

Thursday 28 July, 9:00 AM

For all Parishioners

Friday 29 July, 7:00 PM

All Souls in Purgatory,

Special Intentions for Maria Trinidad Miemban, Merely & George Raposas,

Saturday 30 July, 9:00 AM

For all Parishioners

Saturday 30 July, 5:00 PM

+ Rina McErlain

CELEBRATING WORLD DAY OF GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

On Sunday July 24, the Second World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly will be celebrated throughout the church, providing an opportunity to appreciate those whom the Lord - in the terms of the Bible - has "filled with days". This year's theme is "In old age they still bear fruit" (Psalm 92:15), emphasizing how grandparents and the elderly are a value both for society and for ecclesial communities as they act as the roots and memories that make up the foundation of our lives. On this day, Pope Francis invites us all to take the time to visit the elderly, bearing witness to their gifts of wisdom and maturity and ensuring no one feels alone on this day. Let us continue to pray for the elders in our church community that they may continue to be strong pillars of Gospel faith, and teachers of traditions and courage. St. Anne and St. Joachim, Pray for us!

"Old age is no time to give up and lower the sails, but a season of enduring fruitfulness: a new mission awaits us and bids us look to the future" - Pope Francis

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STJW T-SHIRT ORDERS

Our Church T-shirts centered around the scripture verse: *"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."* - **John 16.33** are available for sale. Order forms and sample sizes can be found in the foyer after Mass. Sizes range from Toddler T2 - Adult 2XL. Adult (men and women) sizing is \$20 and youth sizing (toddler and youth) is \$15. The last day to order is next Sunday, 31 July.

ANNUAL MASS FOR THE FAITHFULLY DEPARTED

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services will celebrate their annual Mass for the Faithfully Departed on Wednesday 17 August 2022 at 7:00 p.m. Masses through the GTA and Barrie will take place at all of the Catholic Cemetery locations. Find below the list of cemeteries and the corresponding Celebrant for each mass.

- Assumption Cemetery Mississauga - Most Rev. Ivan Camilleri
 - Christ the King Cemetery, Markham - Most Rev. Robert Kasun
 - Holy Cross Cemetery, Thornhill - His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins
 - Mount Hope Cemetery, Toronto - Most Rev. Msgr Paul Zimmer
 - Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Woodbridge - Most Rev. Msgr John Borean
 - Resurrection Cemetery, Whitby - Most Rev. Vincent Nguyen
 - St. Mary's Cemetery, Barrie - Most Rev. John A. Bossonneau
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YCDSB SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Register your child at a York Catholic School Board elementary school for the 2022 - 2023 school year during the summer by visiting www.ycdsb.ca/admissions.

CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE FOR 2022-2023

Parent Meeting:

Thursday 13 October 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

- Registration Forms will be available on our website starting in August 2022
- Registration will be completed via Google Forms
- Parents must visit the office to submit the necessary documentation/fees by Sunday 11 December 2022
- Note: Confirmation Preparation course for ALL Confirmandi will be offered by the parish. Attendance is mandatory for all Confirmandi.

Confirmation Masses

Our Lady of the Rosary C.E.S & Other Schools:

27 May 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

St. Joseph the Worker C.E.S:

27 May 2023 at 1:00 p.m.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION SCHEDULE FOR 2022-2023

Parent Meeting:

Thursday 6 October 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

- Registration Forms will be available on our website starting in August 2022
- Registration will be completed via Google Forms
- Parents must visit the office to submit the necessary documentation/fees by Sunday 11 December 2022
- Note: FHC Preparation course for ALL Communicants will be offered by the parish. Attendance is mandatory for all Communicants.

The Celebration of Holy Mass with First Communicants

Saturday 22 April 2023 - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 23 April 2023 - 12:00 p.m.

Saturday 29 April 2023 - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 30 April 2023 - 5:00 p.m.

PAPAL VISIT TO CANADA

Pope Francis will make a pastoral visit to Canada from 24 July to 29 July, 2022. The pilgrimage will provide an opportunity for the Holy Father to listen and dialogue with Indigenous Peoples, to express his heartfelt closeness and to address the impact of colonization and the participation of the Catholic Church in the operation of residential schools throughout Canada. The papal visit will also provide an opportunity for the Pope to connect with Catholic community in Canada.

The Catholic Church has a responsibility to take genuine and meaningful steps to journey with Indigenous Peoples of this land on the lengthy path to healing and reconciliation. We invite you to join us as we reflect, pray and prepare to welcome the Holy Father for these days among us.

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