## 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**

#### **Choir Groups**

5:00 p.m. Mass: Ldefacendis@rogers.com 10:30 a.m. Mass: ignited.musicoffical@gmail.com

12:00 p.m. Mass: Ldefacendis@rogers.com

#### **Catholic Women's League**

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#### **Hospitality Team**

stjwparish@stjw.ca

#### **Knights of Columbus**

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#### 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 a.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**

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.

475 Brownridge Dr. 905-738-5703

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#### GOSPEL REFLECTION: TESTIFYING

What does the word "king" bring to mind? A man sitting on a throne with servants ready to do his every bidding? Someone with the power to move armies, eliminate enemies, make laws, tax citizens, and build palaces?

But look at Jesus, our King, in today's Gospel. He is mocked and jeered at while he hangs on a cross. He seems about as far from the popular idea of a king as we can imagine.

So why did the Church choose this Gospel for today's feast of Christ the King? Why not a passage that portrays Jesus like the popular image we described above? Because no such passage exists in the Bible. Because that's not how Jesus exercises his kingly role. He doesn't see power as a way to control people or ensure his wealth and comfort. He exercises his kingship when he serves his people, not himself.

That vision of a selfish, entitled ruler may be what the unbelieving criminal in today's Gospel thought a king was all about. That may explain why he mocked Jesus as being powerless. The other criminal, however, grasped where Jesus' power truly lay. He saw that Jesus was a humble Savior. And what he saw moved him to confess his sin with humility and faith and to receive the promise of "Paradise" (Luke 23:43).

This is how Jesus exercises his power—by changing human hearts and minds, not by using brute force. He may have seemed the least kingly and the most powerless while on the cross, but that's when he did the most powerful thing possible: he changed the course of human history. And today, he wants to continue his work by changing our hearts a little bit at a time.

So come and honor Jesus your King today. Come and bow down to him and let him reign in your heart through love!

"Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

#### MASS READINGS

First Reading: 2 Samuel 5.1-3

Second Reading: Colossians 1.12-20

**Gospel:** Luke 23.35-43

#### MASS INTENTIONS

## Sunday 20 November, 9:00 AM (Italian)

+ All departed souls

**Sunday 20 November, 10:30 AM**For all Parishioners

#### Sunday 20 November, 12:00 PM

+ Ariganello & Newton Families

#### Tuesday 22 November, 9:00 AM

+ Gloria Lauzon

#### Wednesday 23 November, 7:00 PM

+ Victoria De Guzman

#### Thursday 24 November, 9:00 AM

+ Lourdinez Sanchez Jr.

#### Friday 25 November, 7:00 PM

- + Catalina Miranda,
- + Antonio Cusano,
- + Bocchicchio Family,
- + Nicolina & Raphael DiPalma
- + Mario & Maria Tusi
- Salvatore & Carmela Giraldi

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#### Saturday 26 November, 9:00 AM

+ Francis Ho Tim

#### Saturday 27 November, 5:00 PM

+ Antonio David

#### SHARELIFE COLLECTION

There will be a ShareLife Collection the weekend of November 26th and 27th. Thank you for your generosity.

#### PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING PLAN

The Archdiocese of Toronto has established a Pre-Giving Plan (PAG) to allow parishioners to give your parish scheduled monthly transfers from your bank account or credit card. These funds are then deposited directly to the parish account. This will help support the work of the parish. Thank you for your generosity.

#### THIRTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (20– 26 NOVEMBER)

#### CHRISTMAS DINNER DANCE

The Knights of Columbus invites you to attend the Christmas Gala which will be held on Thursday December 1, 2022. at Fontana Gardens Banquet (7400 Keele St.) Tickets cost \$90.00 per person and include a sit-down dinner.

For tickets please see the church office, or email Mike at mike.demedicis@rogers.com for more information.

#### STUDY OF CATHOLICISM

Join us in watching and studying this epic work of Bishop Robert Barron, *Catholicism*, a study of faith and how it is practised globally. Sessions have started and will continue to take place every Thursday at 7:00 PM with the exception of December 15, 23, and 30.

#### BIBLE STUDY

We are pleased to start our study of Holy Scriptures once again. It is held in the hall every Monday at 7pm. We warmly invite everyone to come and grow in the knowledge of the Word of God.



#### COME AND SEE - WEEKEND RETREAT

The Office of Vocations will be hosting a Come & See Weekend Retreat for men 18+ at St. Augustine's Seminary on Friday, November 18 (6:30 p.m.) until Sunday, November 20 (2 p.m.) This retreat offers a way for men to discern a possible call to priesthood at the seminary. Registration must be done online at <a href="https://www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee">www.vocationstoronto.ca/comesee</a>. For more information, please email: <a href="mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org">vocations@archtoronto.org</a>

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The Parish is in need of volunteers to teach and guide the children during the 12 PM Masses on Sundays. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact stjwchildren@gmail.com for further questions or inquiries.



## ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER PARISH'S 40TH ANNIVERSARY

The 40th anniversary of our Parish is next year and we are celebrating in a grand way! There will be updates on this constantly and a committee is already being formed for this



epic celebration. The celebration will include diverse events and it will also be a means to do the necessary maintenance and repairs of our entire parish edifice.

#### THE PALLIATIVE CARE HOPELINE

Palliative care services are helpful not only when a person is approaching death but also during the earlier stages of an illness. Accessing resources to support a palliative and end-of—life journey can seem overwhelming for newly diagnosed patients, caregivers and family members.

The Palliative Care HopeLine, established as part of the Catholic Charities/ Archdiocese of Toronto Palliative Care Project and operated by the Saint Elizabeth Foundation, will act as a information resource tool to help callers established connections with hospice palliative care options within their home community. Supported in part by ShareLife funding, the HopeLine is open to individuals in the Archdiocese of Toronto's catchment area who are interested in discovering palliative/end of life support services and holistic care for themselves, their caregivers and extended family and friends. If you are in search of locating hospice palliative care resources and services in your community, call the HopeLine at 416-619-5700—leave your phone number, and the name of the community in which you live and they will return your call as soon as possible. Please note-this service is an information line and is not an emergency or crisis line—in case of an emergency please call 911.

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