# St. Joseph The Worker Parish

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## **Office Hours**

MondayClosedTuesday to Friday10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.Saturday10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.Sunday10:00 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

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#### MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses ENGLISH Saturday

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 & Thursday9:00 a.m.Wednesday & Friday7:00 p.m.Saturday9:00 a.m.

Saturday 9:0

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
Our Lady of the Rosary C.E.S.	
206 Glenshields Ave.	905-669-6690
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## **GOSPEL REFLECTION: HEAVEN IS OUR DREAM HOME**

In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. (John 14:2)

What's your dream home? Maybe it's a beachfront villa or a cabin on a picturesque mountainside. Maybe it's a castle high on a hill or a modern apartment in a bustling city. Each of us has a different picture of what is ideal.

When Jesus told his disciples that he was returning to the Father in today's Gospel, he said he was going to prepare a place for them. And just as it is with our dream homes, those heavenly abodes aren't one size fits all. In fact, there's one that is made just for you!

Does this mean each one of us gets our own personal "dream home" in heaven? Yes and no. Heaven isn't a resort filled with personalized vacation homes. But it is very real, and it's a place where each of us receives the deep rest and refreshment we need. The *Catechism* tells us that heaven is "the ultimate end and fulfillment of the deepest human longings, the state of supreme, definitive happiness" (1024). That means that Jesus has each of us in mind as he prepares to bring us to our perfect dwelling place. He knows us through and through. He knows our deepest yearnings. He knows what makes for our ultimate happiness. And he is preparing a place suited just for us.

But that "place" is so much more than a dwelling. It's where we will find God himself, the One who quenches every thirst and satisfies every longing. Nothing that we currently experience could add to the happiness that we will know when we see the Lord, our God, face-to-face! We will be with him fully and without hindrance. Our eyes will be opened to the beauty and holiness and power of God, and that vision will take our breath away.

Jesus promised to take us to himself so that where he is, there we also may be (John 14:3). In his presence, everything is fulfilled. And that makes heaven infinitely better than a dream home!

"Lord, thank you for preparing a place for me!"

## MASS READINGS

First Reading: Acts 6:1-7

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:4-9

Gospel: John 14:1-12

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

Sunday 7 May, 9:00 AM (Italian) Blessed Mother Mary

Sunday 7 May, 10:30 AM For all Parishioners

Sunday 7 May, 12:00 PM + Lourdinez Sanchez Sr. Estrella Sanchez, & Dani Hali

**Tuesday 9 May, 7:00 PM** Thanksgiving from Tyler Maitlan

Wednesday 10 May, 7:00 PM + Donato Rosati

Thursday 11 May, 9:00 AM + Vincenzo & Maria Iozzo

#### Friday 12 April, 7:00 PM

- + Numancia Pallasiqui,
- + Virginia de la Cruz & loved ones,
- + Francesco D'Alessandro
- + Mario & Filomena Gulla
- + Fiorella & Enzo Quattrini
- + Deceased Members of the Ancheta Family Healing of Moonjen Piosca

Saturday 13 May, 9:00 AM + Pedro Torres

Saturday 14 May, 5:00 PM + Blessings for Anna & Santino Pagliaroli

#### STREET PATROL

Our upcoming trip to Street Patrol is on Saturday, May 20, 2022. We will meet downstairs in the Church Kitchen at 9:30am to make meal packages before we head downtown in the days leading up to our deliveries to the needy individuals downtown, we welcome the following donations, which can be dropped off at the Church Office:

- Food items such as sliced bread, deli meat, sliced cheese, juice boxes and peanut-free granola bars
- Gift Cards to shop at Walmart, No Frills, McDonalds, and Tim Hortons.
- Any Monetary Donations

#### **CONFIRMATION RETREAT**

The Confirmation Retreat for all Confirmandi will be held at the following dates and times in the parish:

- Friday, May 12th, 2023, from 6pm-9pm & Saturday, May 13th, 2023, from 9am-9pm
- The weekend will consist of fun and educational activities, praise and worship, mass, confession, talks, food and more!

## MULTI-CULTURAL DAY - JUNE 11, 2023

Save the Date! On Sunday June 11, we will have Multi-Cultural Day which will feature Mass, food, & the celebration of different cultures. All are welcome to attend!

#### Fifth Sunday of Easter (7 - 13 May)



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# **CONSECRATION TO JESUS THROUGH MARY** The Consecration to Jesus Through Mary course is a 33-day

preparation of devotion in which a person prepares themselves spiritually to become consecrated to Jesus through Mary.

Classes will be held on Wednesday at 7pm in the church hall and will follow the schedule below.

Week 1 (June 7): Speaker: Henry & Karina Palomo Topic: Emptying ourselves of the Spirit of the World

Week 2 (June 14): Speaker: Mark Clow Topic Emptying Ourselves of the Spirit of the World

Week 3 (June 21): Speaker: Sister Juvenia Topic: Knowledge of Self

Week 4 (June 28): Speaker: Henry Palomo Topic: Knowledge of Mary

Week 5 (July 5) Speaker: Fr. Victor Amole Topic: Knowledge of Jesus

Week 6 (July 12): Speaker: Henry & Karina Palomo Topic: Consecration Conclusions and Instructions

To register, please call the Parish Office at 905-660-1253

# **COLLECTION FOR THE POPE'S PASTORAL WORKS**

Please note, next weekend (May 13/14) there will be a second collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works.

This collection provides an opportunity for Catholics to make a financial offering to assist the Holy Father. These funds are passed on to the Holy Father for immediate response in countries stricken by war, famine, and natural disasters. The Pope's Pastoral Works displays Christ's love and compassion for people in desperate need.

Thank you for your generosity!

"Each individual Christian and every community is called to be an instrument of God for the liberation and promotion of the poor, and for enabling them to be fully a part of society."

Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium, 187

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