

# St. Joseph The Worker Parish

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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](mailto:Ldefacendis@rogers.com)

10:30 a.m. Mass: [ignited.musicoffical@gmail.com](mailto:ignited.musicoffical@gmail.com)

12:00 p.m. Mass: [Ldefacendis@rogers.com](mailto:Ldefacendis@rogers.com)

### Catholic Women's League

Mary Lynn Porto: [jandml@rogers.com](mailto:jandml@rogers.com)

### Hospitality Team

[stjosephtheworkerth@archtoronto.org](mailto:stjosephtheworkerth@archtoronto.org)

### Knights of Columbus

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### St Vincent de Paul

For assistance call 647-303-2621

[ssvpsjwc@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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

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**GOSPEL REFLECTION: REACHING OUT TO ALL PEOPLE**

. . . for all peoples. (Isaiah 56:7)

Did you notice a theme in today's readings? Isaiah prophesies that the Temple, God's "house," will become a house of prayer "for all peoples," wherever they come from (56:7). Then Paul rejoices that Gentiles are coming to faith in Christ and entering the Church—God's house. And Jesus challenges his disciples to look at a Canaanite woman, a pagan, as someone beloved of God and deserving of his mercy.

Through these readings, we can hear God asking us to reach out to those people who might feel they don't belong in his house. They may not be the people we expect to see at Mass on Sunday, but they are part of the "all peoples" whom God is longing to welcome into his kingdom. Here are three short stories that illustrate this point:

- Imran grew up in a devout Muslim household, but in college he became friends with some Christians whose faith and welcoming attitude moved him to start reading the New Testament.
- Mandy loved to party, but after one hangover too many, she found an AA group meeting in the local parish. There she met a parishioner named Joan who helped her get sober—and who introduced her to the Lord.
- Alan was a regular brawler in prison until his new cellmate convinced him to join a Bible study. The message of Jesus' forgiveness and love that he heard there pierced his heart. Now, instead of fighting, he tells other inmates about the Lord.

Jesus' heart breaks for those who don't yet know him. He is always reaching out to them, calling them into his house. And he does that by leading them to believers who do know him. That's us. All we have to do is befriend those people and share with them how the Lord has touched our lives. We don't have to do it perfectly, either. We just have to try, and the Spirit will work through us.

So who will God send to you today?

*"Lord, open my heart to share your love with the people you put in my path today."*

**MASS READINGS****First Reading:**

Isaiah 56.1, 6-7

**Second Reading:**

Romans 11.13-15, 29-32

**Gospel:**

Matthew 15.21-28

**MASS INTENTIONS****Sunday 20 August, 9:00 AM (Italian)**

+ Giuseppe Francesco

**Sunday 20 August, 10:30 AM**

For all Parishioners

**Sunday 20 July, 12:00 PM**

+ Jenelle-Lara Gonzales

**Tuesday 22 August, 9:00 AM**

For all Parishioners

**Wednesday 23 August, 7:00 PM**

+ Freada Mathew

**Thursday 24 August, 9:00 AM**

For all Parishioners

**Friday 25 August, 7:00 PM**

+ Rodel Arellano

50<sup>th</sup> Birthday Blessings for Rogaciano Almoceda

**Saturday 26 August, 9:00 AM**

+ Michael Cardoso

**Saturday 26 August, 5:00 PM**

+ Susan Rodrigo

**WOMEN'S BIBLE CLASS – SEPTEMBER 13, 2023**

Come and join us in learning more about the women of the Bible. Have you often wondered who are some of the women in the Bible that really had an impact? Can we as women in our modern world relate to any of these stories or experiences in our lives? Join us on September 13<sup>th</sup> after the Wednesday Mass at 7:45 pm. There will be fellowship, Bible reading, and sharing of ideas. If you are 18+ we look forward to seeing you there.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE**

Our Marriage Preparation course will start on October and will take place every Friday from 7 – 9 pm for 6 weeks. Couples who are planning to wed are invited to now register in the Church Office.

**RCIA PROGRAM**

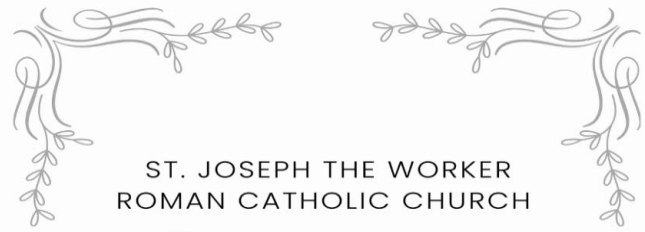
Our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) program will be starting on October 10, and will take place every Tuesday from 7 – 9 pm. Adults who are in need of the sacraments to become Catholic (Baptism, Confession, First Holy Communion) should contact the office.

### CONFIRMATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION REGISTRATION FOR 2023-2024

- Registration Forms are now available to complete on the Parish Website
- Parents must visit the office to submit the necessary documentation/fees by ...
- Note: The Confirmation Preparation course and First Holy Communion preparation course for all confirmandi & communicants respectively will be offered by the parish. Attendance is mandatory.

### BROWN SCAPULAR ENROLLMENT – SEPTEMBER 20, 2023

Members of the Blessed Trinity Lay Carmelite Community will be at our parish on Wednesday evening, September 20, 2023. They will give out free packages of brown scapulars and booklets with explanation on the meaning of the brown scapulars. The brown scapular is a reminder and an external sign of the relationship between Our Lady of Mount Carmel and the faithful who, like Our Lady, pledges allegiance to Jesus. The enrollment will take place at the 7 PM Mass. All are welcome.



## 40th Anniversary Gala 50/50 Draw

Grand Prize Draw: September 29th 2023  
Early Bird Draw: \$500 on June 24th 2023  
Early Bird Draw: \$500 on September 2nd 2023

Tickets Available in the Parish Office



**Tickets are NOW Available**

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