# 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

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**St Vincent de Paul** For assistance call 647-303-2621 ssvpsjwc@gmail.com

# MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

ENGLISHSaturday5:00 p.m.ITALIANSunday9:00 a.m.ENGLISHSunday10:30 a.m.ENGLISHSunday12:00 p.m.

# Weekday Masses

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

**CONFESSIONS** Saturday

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK Call the office in emergency or serious illness. Please do not wait till the last moment. Sacrament of anointing is for the sick.

**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. – 5:00 p.m. Wednesday 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Friday 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**RESOURCE CENTRE/GIFT SHOP** Open for 30 minutes after each weekend Mass.

# 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 TrusteeJennifer Wigston416-835-0307Jennifer.wigston@ycdsb.ca



#### The Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (January 28- February 3)

## **GOSPEL REFLECTION: GOD'S PRESENCE**

Let us not again hear the voice of the Lord. (Deuteronomy 18:16)

Addressing the Israelites as they are about to enter the Promised Land, Moses recalls what happened when God was about to give them the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai. God announced his presence with lightning, thunder, a deafening shofar blast, and menacing dark smoke (Exodus 20:18-19). Terrified, the people backed away, saying, "Let us not again hear the voice of the Lord!" (Deuteronomy 18:16). They begged Moses to go and bring God's word back to them!

Now, knowing he was not going to be with them much longer, Moses promises that God will send them someone to take his place, "a prophet like me . . . to whom you shall listen" (Deuteronomy 18:15). What a relief! God promises they will never have to endure the trauma of hearing him directly.

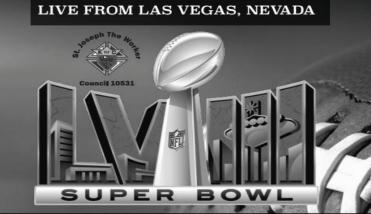
And so it was. In every generation, God raised up prophets for the people. Deborah, Elijah, Isaiah, Jeremiah: these and others heard God directly and proclaimed what they heard.

But now, through Jesus, the living "Word" of God, everything has changed. By destroying sin and death, he has opened the pathway for us sinners to come before the all-holy God. Now, every single person can know God personally. Every single person can hear his voice—in Scripture, through the Church, and most important, in the depths of their hearts.

You don't ever have to be afraid of coming into God's presence! In fact, he is already present in you! Through his Spirit, he is urging you to call out to him, "Abba, Father!" (Romans 8:15). He is waiting to receive you with open arms, to wash you clean in his mercy, and to fill your heart with his joy and consolation.

Your heavenly Father has a message that he wants to speak to you today—a message meant only for you. So quiet your heart, calm your fears, and listen.

#### "Here I am, Lord! I long to hear your voice today!"



Sunday, February 11th, 2024 StJW TAILGATE PARTY 5:00p.m.

#### FOOD ITEMS

BBQ Pork | BBQ Chicken | Chilli | Rice | Potatoes | Salads | Popcorn Coke | Diet Coke | Ginger Ale | Water Beer - \$6.00 {ID Required}

COST

\$30 Per Person | Children 8 and Under are Free Price includes buffet dinner, pop and water Contact: Mike De Medicis-(416) 508-5283 | Mark Clow -(416) 826-9131

#### MASS READINGS

First Reading: Deuteronomy 18.15-20 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7.32-35 Gospel: Mark 1.21-28

#### MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 28 January, 9:00 AM (Italian) + Lucia Molino

Sunday 28 January, 10:30 AM For all Parishioners

Sunday 28 January, 12:00 PM Thanksgiving Offering for Luciel Almoceda

**Tuesday 30 January, 9:00 AM** + Khen Rosz Almoceda

Wednesday 31 January, 7:00 PM + Concetta Bruni + Minda (Susie) Morado

Thursday 1 February, 9:00 AM +Julie Kelly

Friday 2 February, 7:00 PM +Assunta Guarino

Saturday 3 February, 9:00 AM + Grazia Rigano

Saturday 3 February, 5:00 PM + Tony David

#### Kathleen Beckman, flying in from California especially for this event!

# WOMEN OF Faith

Catholic Women's Conference SATURDAY MARCH 23, 2024 LOCATION: The Old Mill (Old Mill Subway Station) REGISTRATION: 8:00am TIME: 9:00am - 4:00pm For more information call (416) 907 - 1042





KATHLEEN BECKMAN, L.H.S. Evangelist, Retreat Director, Radio Host, Author

Special Guest Speaker, Tammy Peters wife of Dr. Jordan Peterson Opening Mass celebrated by His Emine

Kathleen Beckman, L.H.S. | A Family Guide to Spiritual Warfare Garissa Douglas | Becoming a Co-creator with God - Discover YOUR Mission Anna Boyagoda | Creating a Space for Prayer Dorothy Pilarski | Why minister to moms<sup>2</sup> - How to Start a Catholic Moms Group

Get Inspired, Meet Like-Minded Women, Discover Your Mission! EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION \$65 (before Feb. 14) Register at www.dynamicwomenfaith.com

f D Light Lunch • Free Parking • Door Prizes! TICKETS on eventbrite dwf2024.eventbrite.ca

## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

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 February 7 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. Please bring a notebook and a bible.



# York Catholic District School Board Kindergarten Registration

2024-2025

Prepare your child for a wonderful journey of learning!



- Inspired by Gospel values where every child is celebrated as a gift from God
- Inquiry-based environment to meet the unique needs of all children
- Play and explore in STREAM-inspired classrooms
- Well-rounded education to nurture a lifelong love of learning

# **Registration Begins January 8, 2024**



Nurture your child's success, happiness and development at YCDSB. Www.ycdsb.ca @YCDSB @@yorkcatholic\_dsb Children entering JK must be 4 years old by December 31, 2024 Children entering SK must be 5 years old by December 31, 2024

# LEGION OF MARY

Join the Legion of Mary to have the opportunity to experience the joy of communal pray to the Blessed Virgin Mary, fellowship and impactful outreach. Meetings take place weekly on Thursdays in the basement Hall from 7:00 - 8:30 pm. All are welcome to join!

# FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Our first Friday adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be next Friday, February 2nd. There will be rosary at 6.30pm, Mass at 7pm followed by the adoration of the Holy Eucharist. Come and let us worship together.

## CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE MASS WITH Archbishop Francis Leo – February 11, 2024 at 3:00 pm

As part of Marriage Sunday 2024 celebrations, Archbishop Francis Leo will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2024. The Mass will take place at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 11, 2024 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass.

All are welcome to attend. Couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary in 2024 may register for reserved seating. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass. Registration and other important information can be found at <u>www.archtoronto.org/marriage</u>.

For questions, please email formation@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 ext. 523.



# Ministries of Care

# Bereavement Ministry Training

(Ministry of Consolation)

Thursday Evenings February 15, 22, 29 March 7, 14 & 21, 2024

7 to 8:30 p.m.



The Bereavement Ministry Training (also known as the Ministry of Consolation) is designed for those who are ministering to the bereaved in a parish setting.

New and seasoned parish bereavement ministers and volunteers are invited to join us for an interactive, faith-based educational and spiritual learning opportunity.

Come, learn, and share how the Christian faithful comfort mourners with words of faith and support and with acts of kindness.

You will learn about:

- The Order of Christian Funerals
- Communication and Listening Skills
- Overview of Grief and Mourning
- Facilitating Skills and Support Groups
- Beginning your ProgramHealing and Meditation
- Self Care for the Minister

Registrants are required to participate in all online sessions and complete pre-homework to receive full training.

There is no cost to attend.

Register by February 13, 2024: https://bit.ly/BMT-RegisterFebMar2024

For more information, contact: formation@archtoronto.org or 416-934-3400 ext. 523





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