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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

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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. 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.

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GOSPEL REFLECTION: WHAT IS OUR PURPOSE?

My days . . . come to an end without hope. (Job 7:6)

Poor Job! He had lost his possessions, his family, and his health. But perhaps worst of all, he had lost his hope. Now there was nothing for him to do but suffer and wait for death to take him out of his misery. He was convinced that he would “not see happiness again” (Job 7:7).

We all need hope, but it’s not something we can manufacture on our own. Instead, we need something to pin our hopes on, and that was what Job was lacking. Like Job, if we don’t see something on the horizon that will improve our current situation, we will find it hard to keep going.

Perhaps that’s how the people in Jesus’ time felt as well. They had been living under harsh Roman occupation, and they didn’t know when God would come to rescue them. But then Jesus came on the scene. In today’s Gospel, he heals Peter’s mother-in-law and then spends the evening healing people and casting out demons (Mark 1:32-34). What hope this must have sparked, not only in the people he had cured, but in everyone who had witnessed such divine power! Perhaps he really was the Messiah they had been waiting for!

The next morning, Jesus told the disciples that he was going to other villages in Galilee to preach and heal. “For this purpose have I come” (Mark 1:38).

For this purpose I have come. Jesus came to give us hope: to heal us of our sins and free us from the power of death. He came to give us life in him, a life that begins now but will last into eternity.

Perhaps you are tempted to feel hopeless about a difficult situation in your life. Or maybe you’re discouraged about what the future will hold. But remember what Jesus said: he came for a purpose, and that purpose is being fulfilled in your life and in the world even now. He is the horizon you can look to whenever you are tempted to give up hope. May we always keep our eyes on him!

“Jesus, you are my hope, now and forever.”

MASS READINGS

First Reading: Job 7.1-4, 6-7

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 9.16-19, 22-23

Gospel: Mark 1.29-39

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 4 February, 9:00 AM (Italian)

+ Mario Luong

Sunday 4 February, 10:30 AM

For all Parishioners

Sunday 4 February, 12:00 PM

+ Susan Rodrigo

Tuesday 6 February, 9:00 AM

For all Parishioners

Wednesday 7 February, 7:00 PM

For all Parishioners

Thursday 8 February, 9:00 AM

For all Parishioners

Friday 9 February, 7:00 PM

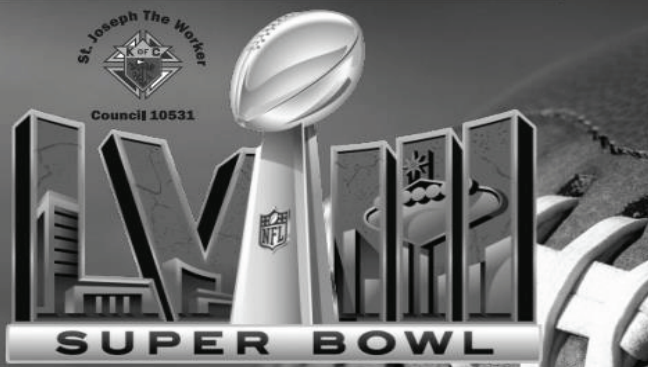
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Saturday 10 February, 9:00 AM

+ Grazia Rigano

Saturday 10 February, 5:00 PM

+ Louis & Maria Noronha

LIVE FROM LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

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

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 at **7:30 pm sharp**. 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.

STREET PATROL

Our upcoming Street Patrol trip is on Saturday, February 17. We will meet downstairs in the Church Kitchen at 9:00 am to make meal packages before we head downtown. In the days leading up to our deliveries to the needy, we welcome the following donations, which can be dropped off at the church office:

- Food items (sliced bread, cheese, deli meat, juice boxes)
- Gift Cards to shop at Walmart, No Frills, McDonalds etc.
- As well with the harsh winter season, we also encourage the donation of socks, tuques, mittens, and other winter accessories.

TAX RECEIPTS

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- You eased the struggles of more than 13,000 people by providing over 45,000 mental health services;
- You offered quality care and companionship to over 2,800 vulnerable seniors;
- You invested in our Church's future by supporting 62 seminarians at St. Augustine's Seminary and Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary in the 2023-2024 academic year;
- You helped sponsor 708 refugees on their journey to safety and freedom in Canada;
- You extended a helping hand to over 1,600 young parents and their children;
- You provided accessible, dignified support to over 2,300 people with special needs and their families.

Special Collections for this campaign will be on March 17, April 28, and June 2. Thank you for your generosity!

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



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






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

Special Guest Speaker, Tammy Peterson,
wife of Dr. Jordan Peterson
Opening Mass celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Collins



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



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.

Ministries of Care

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 Program
- Healing and Meditation
- Self Care for the Minister

Bereavement Ministry Training

(Ministry of Consolation)

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

7 to 8:30 p.m.

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:
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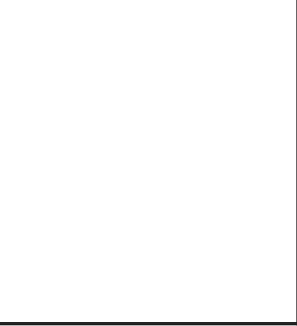
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