

# 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

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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: ACKNOWLEDGING INCONSTANCY**

*Hosanna! (Mark 11:9)*

The two Gospel readings today can give us emotional whiplash. As Mass begins, we hear the story of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. We may even wave our own palm branches and join the crowd in shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" (Mark 11:9). Then, in the Liturgy of the Word, we hear Mark's passion account. Once again, we join our voices with the crowd—but this time, we cry out, "Crucify him!" (15:13). How jarring!

Why does the Church have us play a role in both of these readings as we begin Holy Week?

It's all for one purpose: so that we can grasp more fully what Jesus did for the crowds back then—and for us. As we will see throughout Holy Week, he accepted the suffering set before him and freely offered himself for his people, regardless of how they responded. Whether they acclaimed or condemned him, he loved them just the same. And that's how he loves us.

Jesus is not put off by our fickleness. That's good news! Because if we're honest, we can all recognize times when our own commitment to the Lord and our love for him has wavered. When life is going well, it's not so hard to praise him. But it can be another story altogether when danger threatens or sadness darkens our outlook.

So allow these passages to motivate you to pay attention to this final week in Christ's life. Acknowledge the inconstancy of your own love for Jesus and ask him to strengthen you. But don't stop there! Open your heart to the liberating truth that Jesus loves you even when you stray. Look at the cross and believe that he held you close to his heart throughout his passion, death, and resurrection.

May the Lord pour out graces on us all during this most holy week of the year!

*"Lord, prepare me to receive you more deeply as I prepare for the feast of your resurrection!"*

**MASS READINGS**

**First Reading:** Isaiah 50.4-7

**Second Reading:** Philippians 2.6-11

**Gospel:** Mark 14.1 – 15.47

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Sunday 24 March, 9:00 AM (Italian)**  
Palm Sunday -For all Parishioners

**Sunday 24 March, 10:30 AM**  
Palm Sunday -For all Parishioners

**Sunday 24 March, 12:00 PM**  
Palm Sunday -For all Parishioners

**Tuesday 26 March, 9:00 AM**  
+ Marie Antoine Emile

**Wednesday 27 March, 7:00 PM**  
+ G. John Marie Antoine  
+ Hazel Mascarenhas  
+ Deceased Family of Rocco & Mari Quintino  
+ Monique Martel

**Thursday 28 March, 7:00 PM (Bilingual)**  
Mass of the Lord's Supper

**Friday 29 March, 3:00 PM (Bilingual)**  
Liturgical Service of the Lord's Passion

**Saturday 30 March, 8:00 PM (Bilingual)**  
Vigil Mass of the Resurrection

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**For Full Details, please refer to the Holy Week Schedule on next Page.**



*Christ Jesus,*  
you have shown us that  
the path of life includes dying.  
Give us the courage to accompany  
you and others into the tomb,  
that we will walk out together  
when you remove the stone. Amen.

**SVDP NON-PERISHABLE LENTEN FOOD DRIVE**

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is hosting a non-perishable food drive this weekend. The food will be donated to the food banks at St. Wilfrid's and St. Augustine's parishes. Thank you for your support!

**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 Wednesday, March 27 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, feel free to invite a friend! Please bring a notebook and a bible.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (MARCH 24 - 30)

**PONTIFICAL COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN THE HOLY LAND ON GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 2024**

The annual Good Friday Collection was first taken at Pope Paul VI's request fifty years ago. It is the only yearly request asked by the Holy See of dioceses and parishioners throughout the world to assist the Church in the Holy Land. The monies collected support its pastoral, educational, and social works and help to maintain the Holy Places so important for the faith of Christians everywhere.

For the sake of our brothers and sisters enduring hardship, please give generously during your parish's Good Friday celebrations on March 29, 2024. If you are unable to attend the service, it is possible to contribute by Interact e-transfer to [teresainte@bellnet.ca](mailto:teresainte@bellnet.ca) or online at [Commissariat.ca](http://Commissariat.ca) - receipts will be issued.

On behalf of the Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land, to whom the Holy See has entrusted this ministry for nearly 700 years, I sincerely thank you for your support!

**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2024**

<b>PALM SUNDAY</b> 24 MARCH 2024	5:00 PM - English Vigil Mass 9:00 AM - Italian Mass 10:30 AM - English Mass 12:00 PM - English Mass
<b>HOLY THURSDAY</b> 28 MARCH 2024	7:00 PM - Mass of the Lord's Supper (Bilingual) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass until midnight
<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b> 29 MARCH 2024	10:00 AM – Stations of the Cross 2:30 PM - Divine Mercy Novena DAY 1 3:00 PM –Liturgical Service of the Lord's Passion (Bilingual) 7:00 PM –2000 Hail Mary's Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary
<b>HOLY SATURDAY</b> 30 MARCH 2024	9:00 AM - Vigil with Our Lady of Sorrows 9:30 AM - Divine Mercy Novena DAY 2 11:00 AM - Bread & Basket Blessing 8:00 PM - Vigil Mass of the Resurrection (Bilingual)
<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> 31 MARCH 2024	9:00 AM - Italian Mass 10:30 AM - English Mass 12:00 PM - English Mass 1:30 PM - Divine Mercy Novena DAY 3
<b>EASTER MONDAY TO FRIDAY</b> 1-5 APRIL 2024	1 April - 9:00 AM Mass + 9:30 AM - Divine Mercy Novena Day #4 to follow 2 April - 9:00 AM Mass + 9:30 AM - Divine Mercy Novena Day #5 to follow 3 April - 7:00 PM Mass + 7:30 PM -Divine Mercy Novena Day #6 to follow 4 April - 9:00 AM Mass + 9:30 AM - Divine Mercy Novena Day #7 to follow 5 April - 7:00 PM Mass + 7:30 PM -Divine Mercy Novena Day #8 to follow
<b>EASTER SATURDAY</b> 6 APRIL 2024	9:00 AM - English Mass 9:30 AM - Divine Mercy Novena DAY #9 5:00 PM – Mass
<b>DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY</b> 7 APRIL 2024	9:00 AM - Italian Mass 10:30 AM - English Mass 12:00 PM - English Mass 3:00 PM - Divine Mercy Chaplet. Procession round the block and refreshments in the hall to follow



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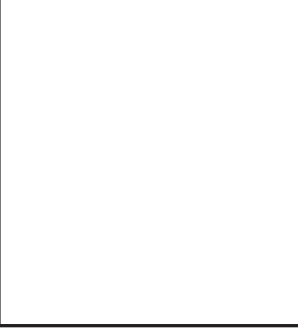
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