

Saint Joseph The Worker Parish

Oshawa, Ontario

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday—Friday 9:30 am to 5:00 pm

MASS TIMES

Saturday – 5:00pm
 Sunday – 9:00am, 11:00am
 Monday – Saturday 9:00am
 First Fridays – Benediction and Mass – 7:00pm
 Saturday – 9:00am Mass – Devotion of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

ADORATION CHAPEL

Open 24 hours. A code is required to enter the chapel after 7pm on weekdays and on weekends.
 Please contact the Parish office for code.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00pm - 4:30pm or by appointment

BAPTISM

Please contact the Parish Office.

MARRIAGE - Please call Parish Office (1 year in advance)

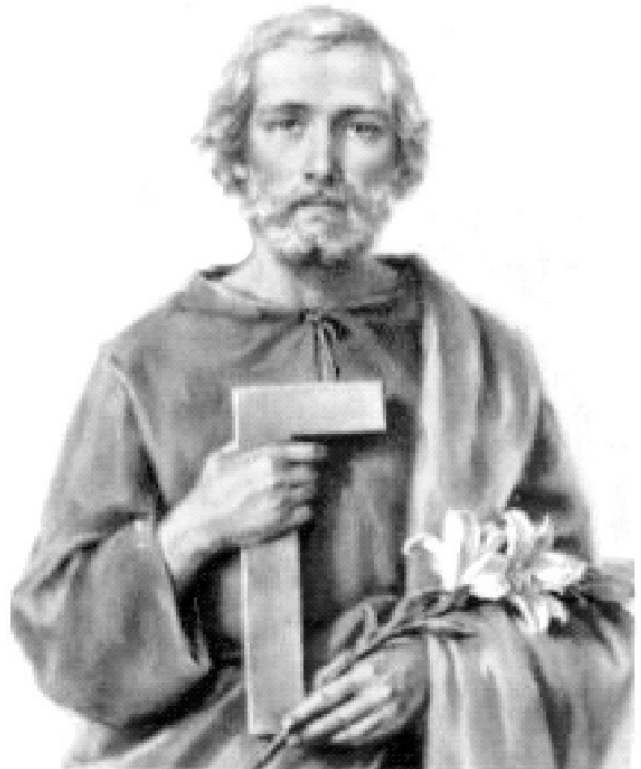
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HALL RENTAL - Please call Parish Office.

SCHOOLS

St. Joseph's School
 1200 Summerwood Heights 905-725-6751
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 2465 Bridle Road 905-723-2421
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 700 Stevenson Road N. 905-723-5255



PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

ALTAR SERVERS	Michael Ethier
CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE	Diana Petre
CHILDREN'S LITURGY	Darlene Asselin & Kelly Ward
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SQUIRES	Steve Zealand
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SERRA CLUB	Fred Tuccia

December 5, 2021

MASS INTENTIONS



Monday, December 6

Intention of Raquel & Dylan John

Tuesday, December 7

Intentions of Joseph De Caria

Wednesday, December 8

† Patrick Kistulenic
† Manuel & Carmen Gonsalves
Intention of Nikki, Elsa & Donald Edge
Thanksgiving for Christina Amurao
For all Parishioners of St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Chaplaincy Students of ONTech, Durham College & Trent

Thursday, December 9

† Roy Neal req. by David & Mary Jo Dinan

Friday, December 10

Intention of Alvino & Isabel Desousa req. by Laverne & Spencer Craig
† Victor Athaide & Francis Campos req. by the family
† Mumtaz Mall req. by Athaide family
For all Parishioners of St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Chaplaincy Students of ONTech, Durham College & Trent

Saturday, December 11

9 am † Arthur Corbeil req. by Barbara & Bob Towey
5 pm † Anne LaFontaine req. by Diana Petre

Sunday, December 12

9 am † Isabel Malnick req. by Bill Malnick
11 am † Chris Montgomery req. by St. Joseph C.W.L.

CHRISTMAS OFFICE & CHURCH HOURS

As Christmas and New Year's Day fall on Saturday in the coming Christmas Season the office and church will be closed on the following days.

Friday, December 24—CLOSED
Monday, December 27—CLOSED
Tuesday, December 28—CLOSED
Wednesday, December 29—OPEN
Thursday, December 30—OPEN
Friday, December 31—CLOSED
Monday, January 3—CLOSED

OUR ADORATION CHAPEL WILL REMAIN OPEN WITH CODE



CHRISTMAS CONCERT: Sunday, December 12, 3:00 pm

After a very trying time, we are getting back to singing! What a beautiful way to celebrate the birth of Christ. You can also watch online via the parish website stjosephtheworkerparishos@archtoronto.org

The last day for in-person registration is Wednesday, December 8th

Let's make a joyful noise to the Lord!



Please pray for the deceased especially John Wierzbicki & Mary Eileen Moffitt and for those who mourn for them.



Please pray for those who are sick and those who love and minister to them.....

Anthony Mc Dermott	Mike Hickey
Br. Clarence Blaskavite	Nigel Boos
Bernard Beneteau	Sante Mastroianni
Diane Belliveau	Santina Del Gobo
Ed Lynch	Sebastian Edassery
Frank Mc Nulty	Susan Craig
Judy Clarke	Richard Elliott
Jo Anne Craig	Robert Robinson
Karen Cotnam	Vicky Mikalauskas
Lindsay Whidaj	Veronica Mitchel



CONFESSION

- Our regular Saturday confessions at 4 pm will now take place in the confessional inside the parish. If you wish to make an appointment for confessions at a different date/time than our Saturday confessions, please contact the parish office at 905-432-2300 or stjosephtheworkeros@archtoronto.ca

MEETING

- Meetings in the parish halls or other indoor spaces are permitted at 50% of meeting space during step 3.

OFFICE HOURS

- The parish office will be closed on Thursday's and Friday's The parish secretary will continue to have remote access to emails and phones on these days so please feel free to contact us at 905 432-2300 or email: stjosephtheworkeros@archtoronto.org

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Friday, December, 24— 5pm, 7pm, 9pm
Saturday, December 25—9am & 11am
Sunday, December 26— 9am & 11am
Friday, December 31—5 pm & 7 pm



Saturday, January 1— 9am & 11am
Sunday, January 2—9am & 11 am

Please note there will be no confession nor evening Mass on Saturday, December 25th & Saturday, January 1st.

May Christ be born in our hearts. May his light dawn our lives. And may 2022 usher in a better year than ever before.

ADVENT RETREAT & DAY OF CONFESSIONS

Our parish Advent Retreat and day of Confessions will take place on Thursday, December 9 and Friday December 10 at 7:00 pm. Fr. Roger Pascall will be preaching our retreat. Come make use of the opportunities for confession.

Please come to prepare yourselves for the birth of the Lord.

Second Sunday of Advent



In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, . . . the word of God came to John. (Luke 3:1, 2)

Imagine John awaiting God's time in the desert (Luke 1:76; 3:2). He must have grown tired of living on locusts and wild honey! But while John was waiting, God was working. John grew "strong in spirit . . . until the day of his manifestation to Israel" (1:80). That day finally arrived! God spoke, and John's mission began.

Waiting. It's central to the season of Advent. We hear how Israel waited centuries for the Messiah. We see Elizabeth and Zechariah waiting until old age to have a child. And we see John waiting for years before beginning to preach and baptize.

We wait too. We wait not just for Christmas, but also for Jesus' Second Coming, when he will fulfill every promise and right every wrong. Waiting for the Lord to answer our prayers can be especially difficult because we can't always see progress. So how can we learn to wait on the Lord with a sense of hope?

We can start by remembering God's faithfulness. John must have spent time recalling how God had delivered Israel and what God had personally promised him. Like John, we can recall God's blessings in our lives and all he has done in sending Jesus to save us. That can help make our waiting a little sweeter; it can also lead us to trust him a little more deeply.

We can also praise God while we are waiting: for what he has already done and for what he will do in the future. We can praise him that one day he will put an end to our struggles and welcome us into his heavenly home. But we can also praise him for what he is doing right now. He is working in our families, in our churches, and in our world. As we praise him, our hope will rise and our faith will grow stronger. And when God's timing does arrive, our hearts will be ready—just as John's was!

"Lord, I have seen your goodness. I will wait on you with confidence."

Culled from *The World Among Us*

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CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

A heartfelt **THANK YOU** to everyone who generously supported our CWL Bakeless Bake Sale Fundraiser. Your kindness is greatly appreciated by the CWL and those charities that will benefit from your generosity.

CWL Virtual Executive Meeting, Monday, December 6th @ 7:00 pm.

CWL Virtual General Meeting via ZOOM, Monday, December 13th, @ 7:00 pm.

The CWL 2022 Membership dues are now due (\$30.) Thank you to all members who have renewed their membership. If you have any questions regarding membership, please speak to Mary Lynch or contact Maria Tuccia @ 905-576-2776 maria_tuccia@yahoo.ca



CATHOLIC MOMS GROUP

Come join our year end Catholic Moms Group. Our next meeting will be **Thursday, December 16th 7:00 pm in the parish hall.**

Email: sjw@catholicmomsgroup.com



THAT MAN IS YOU- "The Fight of Faith"

Join us on Thursday, December 9 from **6:00am - 7:30am**. The topic will be "Insurmountable Battle Wounds" Speaker Don Harold. All men are welcome. Registration is free. Please contact the parish office for more information.



COVID-19 UPDATE: SAFETY MEASURES

FOR PRIVATE PRAYER IN THE ADORATION CHAPEL

In light of the current pandemic, we invite you to please observe the following measures, which have been put in place for your safety and the safety of others:

- **A mask or face covering is mandatory while you are in the church building.**
- Please maintain social distancing of at least six feet, unless you are from the same household
- The Adoration Chapel and crying room will be open on a 24/7
- A maximum of 6 people are allowed in the Chapel and 4 people in the Crying Room at any one time
- Please sanitize the area you were in before you leave
- A security code is required to enter the chapel during the weekend and outside of office hours
- The foyer, Adoration Chapel and Crying Room are under 24 hour video surveillance

Thank you for your patience and understanding

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Registration forms are available from the schools and at the Parish Office.

- **Registration Deadline: Tuesday, December 21, 2021**
- **Parent Information Night: Tuesday, January 11 at 7 pm ONLINE**



2022 DONATION ENVELOPES

The 2022 envelopes are now available in the hall. Please do not use the 2022 envelopes until January 2022. **Please include your name and full address on all of your January donation envelopes as we are updating our parish records.** Thank you for your cooperation.



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