

Saint Joseph The Worker Parish

Oshawa, Ontario

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday-Thursday 9:30 am - 5:00 pm
 Friday 9:30 am - 12:00 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)

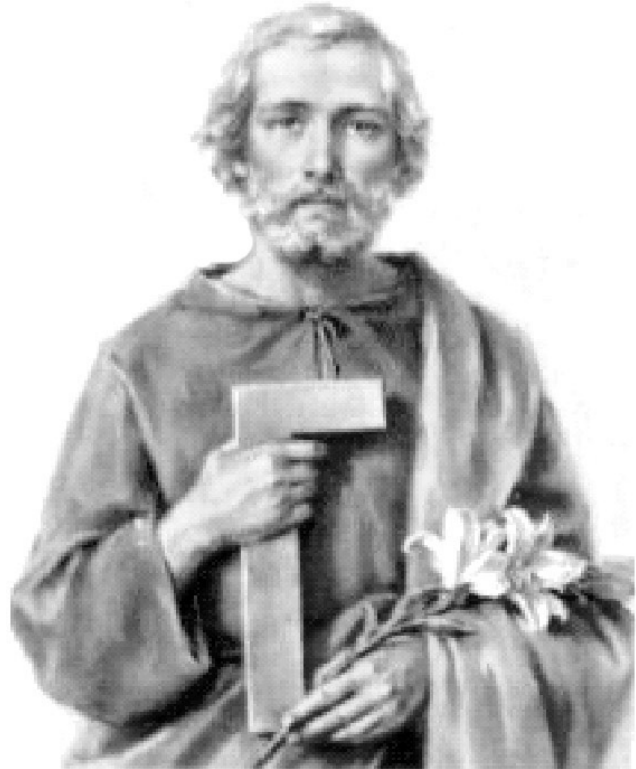
PARISH SERVICES

Society of St. Vincent de Paul - 365-688-6551
 (For those in need of food and clothing)

HALL RENTAL - Please call Parish Office.

SCHOOLS

St. Joseph's School
 1200 Summerwood Heights 905-725-6751
 St. Anne Catholic School
 2465 Bridle Road 905-723-2421
 Msgr. Paul Dwyer High School
 700 Stevenson Road N. 905-723-5255



PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

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| ALTAR SERVERS | Michael Ethier |
| CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE | Diana Petre |
| CHILDREN'S LITURGY | Sharon van Beers & Darlene Asselin |
| CHILDREN OF THE EUCHARIST | Pat Cargill |
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| SERRA CLUB | Fred Tuccia |

December 4, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 5

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Tuesday, December 6

† Angela Jones req. by Mary Prieur

Wednesday, December 7

Intention of Fr. Victor Amole

† Holy Souls in Purgatory req. by John & Lynda Ladd

† Jane Pajotte

† Theodore Salandy

† Rose Scarborough

† Lenore Dedier

For all Parishioners of St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Chaplaincy Students of ONTech, Durham College & Trent

Thursday, December 8

† Angela Jones req. by St. Joseph Senior Group

Friday, December 9

Intention of Mano & April Michenzi req. by Varghese family

Intention Niki, Elsa, & Donald Edge

Intention of Agnes & Peter Sapala req. by Varghese family

† Hernani Soares req. by his parents

† Pat Coe req. by Helen Hilton & Jason Smith

† Frank Nash req. by Nati Nash

† John Nash req. by Nati Nash

For all Parishioners of St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Chaplaincy Students of ONTech, Durham College & Trent

Saturday, December 10

9 am For all Parishioners of St. Joseph the Worker Parish

5 pm † Joan & Bill Vekasi req. by Anne & Teresa

Sunday, December 11

9 am † Caterina & Vito Tassone req. by his family

11 am † Gabriel Poczeka req. by Stankusz family



Please pray for the deceased and for those who mourn for them.



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

Br. Clarence Blaskavito

Bernard Beneteau

Boking Der

Carl Ford

Diane Belliveau

Frank McNulty

Hilda Dyas

Karen Lundrigan

Karen Loughheed

Leonardo Dela Cruz

Lynda Ladd

Mary Anne Collins

Mike Hickey

Mo Pardel

Natalie Mackenzie

Nigel Boos

Philip Kwan

Richard Elliott

Vicky Mikalauskas

Wanda Bonerak



ADVENT DAY OF CONFESSIONS

Our parish Advent Day of Confessions will take place on Thursday, December 15th from:

- 9:45 am -10:45 am
- 7:00 pm -9:00 pm

Please note there will be no confessions on Dec. 24th so please take advantage of this day as we will have several priests available during the evening confession.



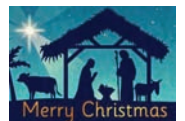
CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 24th

No 9:00 a.m. Mass

No Confessions

Mass— 5 p.m., 8:30 p.m., Midnight



Sunday, December 25th

Mass— 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

Saturday, December 31st

Confession 4 p.m.

Mass— 5 p.m.

Sunday, January 1st (Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of God) Holy day of obligation.

Mass— 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

The office will be closed from Dec. 23rd noon until Jan 3rd.
The church will be closed after 9 am Mass during this time.
The Adoration Chapel will remain open with the code.



SUPPORT YOUR PARISH WITH A GIFT OF SECURITIES THIS CHRISTMAS

Support Your Parish with A Gift of Securities this Christmas. As Christmas approaches, it is a good time to call to mind some of the blessings we've experienced thus far. Thank you for your support throughout the year!

While you are planning your seasonal giving benefiting the parish and the community, consider making a gift of securities. It is one of the most financially sound ways to make a difference. When you donate stocks, bonds, or mutual funds, you pay no capital gains tax and receive a tax receipt for the full value of your securities. It means a great tax break for you and greater support to the parish.

To learn more about gifting securities and how you can make an impact for the 2022 tax year, contact the Development Office at 416-934-3400 ext. 561/519. To donate listed securities, you can obtain the information sheet and Letter of Direction by visiting this link: <https://bit.ly/ArchTOGiftsofSecurities>. Thank you once again for your continued support!

Second Sunday of Advent

The ax lies at the root of the trees. (Matthew 3:10)

John the Baptist was enjoying great success in convincing people to respond to his call to repentance. People from all around Israel, and from every walk of life, were coming out to be washed clean of their sins and to recommit themselves to the law of the Lord. But things didn't go so smoothly when some Pharisees and Sadducees showed up. "Produce good fruit as evidence of your repentance," John challenged them (Matthew 3:8). *Don't come just for a washing. Actually change your life.*

For John, repentance without change was like cutting off one branch of a tree when plenty of other branches are still bearing bad fruit. You need to take an "ax" to the entire root system that feeds all the branches (Matthew 3:10). You need to ask the Lord to cut away the foundational attitudes and root sins that keep feeding all the other sins.

What are these roots? They differ with each person. Maybe they include long-standing resentments, positions of pride and self-sufficiency and prejudice, selfish desires, or a lack of compassion. Whatever they are, we have to trust that as we ask the Lord to cut away these roots, we'll find freedom and a greater ability to change.

God wants to give us a new way of thinking and acting. He wants to replace our foolishness with his wisdom. He wants to give us insights into his love and all that he can do in our hearts. And he wants to give us strength to obey his commands. But we have to come to him and confess our need.

At Mass today, you will be invited to cry out, "Lord, have mercy." But you will also ask Jesus, "Only say the word, and my soul shall be healed." Jesus loves to forgive your sins, but he longs to heal your soul—your "roots"—even more. So welcome him in. Ask his Spirit to keep making you into a new creation.

"Come, Lord, teach me to bear fruit in keeping with my repentance."

Culled from The Word Among Us

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THAT MAN IS YOU- "All Things New"

Join us on Thursday December 4th at 6:00 a.m. - 7:30 am. The topic will be "A New Evangelization" Michael Gormley. All men are welcome. Registration is free.



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Thank You! Thank you for your generosity during the month of October which has helped so many of our Neighbours in Need. We were able to give food assistance to **93 Adults & 38 Children** in the amount of **\$3,310.00 in food vouchers**.

Our '**Christmas Collection**' is ongoing, giving us the ability to share 'extra food vouchers' with our neighbours at this time of year. Receipts over \$10.00 will be issued. Please mark your envelope with your name & full address & place in the Collection Basket.

Your generosity **does make a difference** to those who struggle at this time of the year, and on their behalf, we sincerely thank you.

We ask God's Blessings on each of you.

SSVdPaul. St. Joseph's Conference



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Lighting of the Crèche- Tuesday December 6th at 7 p.m.

Come join the Knights of Columbus and Fr. David out front of our parish for the lighting of the Crèche and singing of some Christmas Carols.

Pancake Breakfast- Sunday December 11th. Breakfast after the 9am Mass in the parish hall. Free of charge with donations being accepted for our Parish Community Fund Raising.

Euchre Night- Friday December 9th in the parish hall at 7pm.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

In Person CWL Executive Meeting **Monday, December 5 @ 7:00pm.**

CWL In-person General Meeting **Monday, December 12 @ 7:00pm** in parish hall. An e-mail will be sent out to all members whose e-mail is on file. If you do not receive an e-mail, please contact Maria Tuccia @ 905-576-2776 / maria_tuccia@yahoo.ca

The CWL 2023 **Membership dues** are now due **(\$40)**.

Thank you to all members who have renewed their membership. If you have any questions regarding membership, please speak to Diana Petre or Maria Tuccia @ 905-576-2776 / maria_tuccia@yahoo.ca
Thank you.



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