

PARISH HOME CATECHISM PROGRAM (PHCP) 2018-19

St. John the Evangelist PHCP provides faith formation classes for elementary school children who attend public, private or alternative schools. Our mission is to assist parents in developing the Catholic Faith in their children. In order to help students develop the faith foundation necessary to receive the sacraments, they are required to attend PHCP from grades 1 through 7. The PHCP runs alternate Wednesday evenings, **6:15 – 7:15 p.m.**, September through to May. Classes begin **Wednesday, September 12th.**

Families interested in registering for the PHCP are invited to register in person at the Parish Office during regular business hours **the week August 27th to 31st and September 4th and 5th**. Your final opportunity to register will be Wednesday, September 5th from 6:00 -7:30 pm in the Parish Centre. No registration will be accepted after the first night of class.

Application packages are available in the Parish Office or at the back of the church. The registration fee is **\$50 per child** which includes the cost of the required student workbook. **Please make cheques payable to St. John the Evangelist Church.**

Please Note: Parents are required to provide baptismal records only for their children who are **NEW** to the PHCP and who were **not** baptized at St. John the Evangelist Church.

“Young people are the window through which the future enters the world.” ~Pope Francis

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Summer for most of us is a time of relaxation. Unfortunately, poverty and need do not take the summer off, and our neighbors in need still require our help and assistance.

On any weekend during the summer months, we are asking that you remember those who need our help. Please bring non-perishable food items to Church and place them in the St. Vincent De Paul bin located in the lobby of the Church.

At the present time we are in need of following:

CEREAL, SPAGHETTI, CANNED FRUIT, PASTA SAUCE, SALMON & SIDE DISHES

Thank you for your kind generosity.



WANTED: Female Card Players !

Holy Family Parish is looking for women to join our friendly, social euchre group.

Make new friends or bring one or some with you. Spread the word. For more information please contact Chris at 905-999-0613

**MISSION CO-OP SPEAKER FROM JAMAICA TO VISIT ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH
JULY 14 & 15, 2018**

As part of the Archdiocese of Toronto Mission Co-Op Programme, Sr. Jo-Anna Belmont, of the Missionaries of the Poor, will be visiting our parish and speaking at all Sunday masses on the weekend of July 14 & 15, 2018.

Missionaries of the Poor (MOP) was founded in 1981 by Fr. Richard Ho Lung and one of his main objectives was to build family and community among the poor and disadvantaged. He has built this community from five brothers to 550 brothers and counting serving nine missions worldwide.

In 2007, the Jamaican government challenged Fr. Richard Ho Lung as to what solution he can offer to impede them from passing the law on abortion. Fr. Ho Lung's solution was to build a home that will shelter pregnant women and serve as way to save both the life of the mother and the unborn. Thus, Missionaries of the Poor Sisters was conceived. In March of 2011, four women stepped forward and were initiated as candidates to the MOP Sisterhood, two of whom are from Toronto.

Currently, the MOP Sisters run an active apostolate where they shelter and care for pregnant women in crisis and abandoned children with physical and mental disabilities as well as elderly abandoned women. Holy Innocents Centre is a home for pregnant women in crisis. To date, it has served over 500 pregnant mothers and their babies. Nazareth Dorm cares for 16 disabled abandoned girls and Elizabeth Dorm has 17 elderly women, our eldest being 100 years of age. The sisters also provide meals to the neighborhood poor every Tuesday, free Ultrasounds for pregnant women every Wednesday, and Catechism classes for children and adults every Saturday. We continue to get requests at our gate for food and clothing.

Our Missionary Speaker

Sister Jo-Anna Belmont is of Italian origin, but she grew up as of age of 4 in Toronto. She worked as Regional Nurse and upon retirement, God called her to serve the poorest of the poor. Jo-Anna joined the Missionaries of the Poor in 2005 as a lay volunteer, and, in 2011, was initiated to Sisterhood. Sister Jo-Anna is serving as Mother Superior to 30 sisters in Jamaica and Uganda.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST LAY PASTORAL VISITATION MINISTRY

The mission of this ministry is to offer a caring, listening and prayerful presence to individuals. If you are aware of someone who feels homebound or who has limited mobility OR if you feel homebound or have limited mobility and would like to strengthen your connection to the parish through a phone call or visit, please call Iris@905-668-3218 to obtain further details.

Celebration in Honour of Our Lady of Knock – Friday, August 17th, 2018. To mark the first feast day of Our Lady of Knock in our parish since the arrival of the new statue in January, there will be a special Mass at 8:20 a.m., followed by a reception with Irish treats in the St. Joseph Room. Prayer cards and medals of Our Lady of Knock will also be available. Please mark the date on your calendars, so you can join us for this special celebration.

Catholic Women's League

Please mark your calendars for Thursday, September 20th for our start-up general meeting, 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Centre. If you have any questions or require more information, please contact Lisa Maltby at 905-668-3826 or Lynne Childerhouse at 905-431-6582.

Bazaar - Vendor Fair

Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 10th 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. New vendors are welcome! Volunteers required! Please contact Lynne Childerhouse at 905-431-6582 or lchilderhouse@hotmail.com to reserve your spot or for more information.

Marriage Preparation

If you are planning to be married in the Catholic Church, you are required to complete a marriage preparation course. Our next course is taking place this fall, on Tuesdays – October 23 to Nov 27th. To register for this course, please contact the rectory office at 905.668.3676. The cost is \$150 per couple.

TABERNACLE CANDLE

July 1 - 7, 2018

Intention for the safe travel of Mae & Lee & Families
Requested by Connie C. Herrera

SL ShareLife
Goal \$154,500

The 2018 Campaign Closes July 31st

ShareLife Collection

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
	\$114,254	114,191
Donors	365	395

CHANGE IN DAILY MASS TIMES DURING WEEK OF TOTUS TUUS

There will be no 8:20 am Mass during the week of July 9 – 13 (Totus Tuus week) – and no 7:00 pm Mass on Wednesday evening. Daily Mass will be held at 11:20 am from Monday to Friday of that week.

Feed the Hungry Program

Containers will be distributed July 7/8 and August 4/5. Frozen, prepared containers should be returned the following Saturday July 14 at 1pm or Saturday August 11 at 1pm in the parish parking lot. Your meal will be taken to St. Vincent Palotti's Kitchen for warming and distribution. Thank you for your support!

Prayer for Summer

Dear Lord, how we've waited for this vacation, and now it's finally here. Thank You, Lord, for the opportunity to take a break from our daily routines and to replenish our minds, bodies and souls so they we may better serve You. Sometimes our expectations for vacations are unrealistic, and we find ourselves disappointed when things don't go our way. Help us not to worry about having the 'perfect' vacation but to relax and enjoy every moment, whatever it may bring. We are grateful for the joys that await us-whether they be the beauty of your creation, recreation with family or friends, or peace and solitude. Watch over us and protect us as we travel, and bring us safely home again-refreshed and renewed. *Amen.*

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services, Archdiocese of Toronto wishes to invite all families within the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the **Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed** on

Wednesday August 15, 2018 at 7pm

Resurrection Cemetery, 355 Taunton Road East,
Celebrant: Most Reverend Vincent Nguyen

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Avoid unnecessary mailing by contacting the parish office so that we may update our records! 905-668-3676.



This is the final bulletin for the summer season. Please keep and refer to the Mass schedule inserted with this bulletin, for the summer months. The Parish office is closed Monday July 2nd and Monday August 6th. During July and August, the evening office hours are Thursdays only, until 8pm. Have a very blessed and peaceful summer!