

St. John XXIII Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN | 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time | 28 January 2024

Jesus ordered
the spirit,
"Be quiet, and
come out of the
man!"

Mark 1.25

O that today you would listen to the voice of the
Lord. Do not harden your hearts! Psalm 95

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWLY INSTALLED
2024 CWL OFFICERS of St. John XXIII Parish Council**

Welcome New Parishioners!

Please introduce yourself and your family to me before or after the mass to welcome you to our parish community.

All parishioners are encouraged to register in our community and participate in the church activities. We are here to support each other and grow in our relationship with God and with our neighbors.

For Registration form, ask anyone of the Ushers or Call the office.

Your Pastor,

Fr. David



Saturday Vigil Mass – 5:15pm

Sunday Mass – 9am, 12:15pm, 5:30pm

Weekdays:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday – 7pm

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday – 9am

Baptism – every 2nd Saturday & 3rd Sunday of the month. Preparation class is required. Talk to Fr. David after any of the Sunday masses.

Confession every Saturday at 4pm or by appointment.

Confirmation – for Grade 7 & up registration for 2025 is in the months of September and October 2024

First Holy Communion – for Grade 2 & up registration for 2025 is on October and November 2024

Wedding – call the office for appointment

Anyone who wants to become

Catholic – call the office for appointment

Parish School-

St. John XXIII Catholic School

175 Grenoble Dr. North York, ON M3C 3E7

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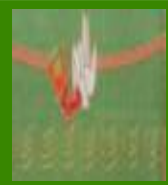
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ST. JOHN BOSCO (Jan 31st)

Pray for us.

**"Whatever you do, think of the Glory of
God as your main goal." St. John Bosco**



“What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” (Mark 1.27)

In the 1st Reading today we hear Moses addressing the People of Israel who are almost in panic, **for** Moses was about to leave them. They were about to cross the River Jordan to the Promised Land and Moses had addressed them; *“...I am one hundred and twenty years old, and can no longer act as leader. The Lord has told me,” You shall not cross the Jordan.” (Deut. 31:1-2)*

What then? Who would lead them?

To the people, Moses was not only a leader who led them out of slavery in Egypt through the red sea and helped them form as a people on Mt. Horeb; **He was an intervener between them and God; God’s closest confidant and Friend.** On Mt Sinai, when God revealed Himself in powerful theophanies, people scared pleaded with Moses; *“Let us not again hear the voice of the Lord, Our God, nor see this great fire again or we shall die.”* The People of Israel were afraid of “a life without Moses,” and he understood it!

In the Reading, Moses aware of the concerns of his people, diverts their focus to the One who was indispensable, The Lord God: It was He they were to trust! It was He who was their real and true leader. It is God who raises leaders for He is the one in control;

“A prophet like me will the Lord your God raise up from your kin, to him you will listen.” The Lord God says; “I ... will put my words into his mouth; he shall tell them all that I command him.”

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In the Gospel reading today Jesus is not only a Prophet with given authority; He “speaks on his own behalf!” Remember his teachings on the new standard in the kingdom of God;

“You have heard it was said ... you shall not kill (by God through the Prophet) ... but I say to you ... anyone who is angry with a brother will answer for it in court ... (Mt. 5: 20 & ff)

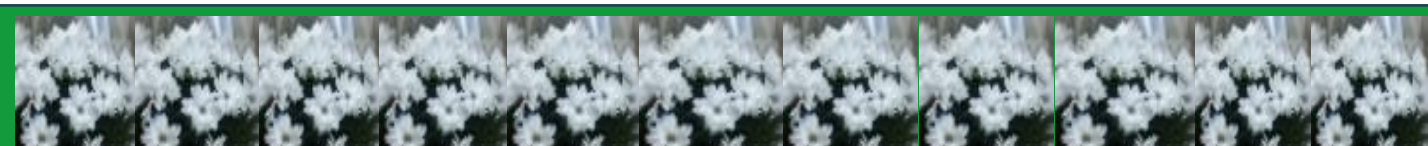
Jesus has that authority because of whom he is: The Son of God! There is no one who perceives his authority and the power of his presence than Satan who claims knowing who Jesus is;

“What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come here to destroy us? I know who you are the Holy One of God.”

Jesus commands and the Devil obeys him because He is the Holy One of God. This is why we are in praise and in honor of Him; He is God among Us. Knowing the power and authority of Jesus, the question then is; why the unnecessary concerns?

St. Paul tells the Corinthians that “anxious concerns” are but a characteristic of unredeemed existence; rooted in a lack of confidence in Christ; God’s Love. He recommends the best way of life as focusing our concerns to the Love of God.

May the Lord increase Our Love for Him. Amen.



COMPENDIUM OF THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

CHAPTER THREE

I Believe in the Holy Spirit

150. What is the mission of the Church? 781-802-804

The mission of the Church is to proclaim and establish the Kingdom of God begun by Jesus Christ among all peoples. The Church constitutes on earth the seed and beginning of this salvific Kingdom.

151. In what way is the Church a mystery? 770-773, 779

The Church is a mystery in as much as in her visible reality there is present and active a divine spiritual reality which can only be seen with the eyes of faith.

152. What does it mean to say that the Church is the universal sacrament of salvation? 774-776, 780

This means that she is the sign and instrument both of the reconciliation and communion of all of humanity with God and of the unity of the entire human race.

The Church: people of God, body of Christ, temple of the Spirit

153. Why is the Church the 'people of God'? 781, 802-804

The Church is the 'people of God' because it pleased God to sanctify and save men not in isolation but by making them into one people gathered together by the unity of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

154. What are the characteristics of the people of God? 782-804

One becomes a member of this people through faith in Christ and Baptism. This people has for its origin God the Father; for its head Jesus Christ; for its hallmark the dignity and freedom of the sons of God; for its law the new commandment of love; for its mission to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world; and for its destiny the Kingdom of God, already begun on earth.

155. In what way does the people of God share in the three functions of Christ as Priest, Prophet and King? 783-786

The people of God participate in Christ's priestly office insofar as the baptized are consecrated by the Holy Spirit to offer spiritual sacrifices. They share in Christ's prophetic office when with a supernatural sense of faith they adhere unflinchingly to that faith and deepen their understanding and witness to it. The people of God share in his kingly office by means of service, imitating Jesus Christ who as King of the universe made himself the servant of all, especially the poor and the suffering.

(to be continued)- Catechism of the Catholic Church) <https://www.vatican.va/archive/compendium>

MASS INTENTIONS

Jan 27-Sat, 5:15PM Vigil Mass- + Anthony Delfino

Jan 28-Sunday 9:00 AM + Belinda Castillo

12:15 PM + Leticia Lopez

5:30 PM The Parishioners

Jan 29-Mon, 7PM- Thanksgiving B-day of Zeny C.

Jan 30 -Tue, 9AM + Marilyn Baldemor

Jan 31 - Wed, 7PM- + Petra Damasco Perlas

+ Ed Sabayle

Feb 01 -Thu, 9AM - Thanksgiving of Thelma C.

Thanksgiving of Hayde A.

Feb 02- Fri, 7PM- +Dominador David Sr.

Thanksgiving of Chic-chi M.

Feb 03- Sat, 9AM- + Virgilio & +Nitz Umali

7-day Candle Offering-Jan 27-Feb 02, 2024

Sanctuary--- Thanksgiving of Hernandez Family

Virgin Mary- Thanksgiving of Hernandez Family

Chapel ---- Thanksgiving of Hernandez Family

WORD OF THE WEEK

New SACRAMENTS

The sacraments are efficacious signs of grace, instituted by Christ and entrusted to the Church, by which divine life is dispensed to us, the visible rites by which the sacraments are celebrated signify and make present the graces proper to each sacrament. They bear fruit in those who receive them with the required dispositions. CCC1131

The sacraments are "powers that comes forth" from the Body of Christ, which is ever-living and life giving. They are actions of the Holy Spirit at work in his Body, the Church. They are "the masterworks of God" in the new and everlasting covenant. CCC1116

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention -January 2024 - FOR THE GIFTS OF DIVERSITY IN THE CHURCH

Pope Francis calls for prayers to the Holy Spirit "to help us recognize the gift of different charisms within Christian communities and to discover the richness of various ritual traditions within the Catholic Church."



Our Patron Saint...



"O Jesus, send laborers into your fields, which are awaiting holy apostles, saintly priests, heroic missionaries and dedicated sisters and brothers. Enkindle in the hearts of men and women the spark of a vocation. Grant that Christian families may desire to give to your Church helpers in the work of tomorrow. Amen." St. JXXIII

St. John Bosco (Jan 31st)

Known to many as Don Bosco, this patron saint of youth was born in Piedmont, Italy, in 1815. Raised in poverty, John was ordained in Turin in 1841. After witnessing the circumstances of boys living in a local prison, he resolved to devote himself to working among disadvantaged boys – children living on the street, juvenile delinquents, and any child who was suffering because of disadvantage.

He formed the Salesian Society, named after Francis de Sales, and began educating boys of the poor and working classes, holding evening classes in factories, in fields or wherever there was a need. John believed in equipping boys for life in the world and trade schools soon formed a large part of Salesian training. A progressive thinker, he abhorred all punishment, believing that by removing youth from temptation, treating them with dignity and kindness, and enriching them with skills, they could be led to more productive lives. His rule was, "Not with blows, but with charity and gentleness must you draw these friends to the path of virtue." With the help of St. Mary Mazzarello, he also established the Salesian Sisters to do similar work among girls. John Bosco died in 1888 and was canonized in 1934. *Living With Christ- January 2024 edition.*

PARISH DEVOTIONS

Mother of Perpetual Help Devotion

-every Saturday before the 9am Mass

Recitation of the Holy Rosary

-before the Mass

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

-Every 1st Friday at 6:00pm communal

Parish Ministries & Programs

- Eucharistic Extraordinary Ministers
- Lectors–Proclaimers of God’s words
- Altar Servers & Sacristans
- Ushers
- Catholic Women’s League
- Intercessory Prayer Group
- Legion of Mary
- Icon of Our Lady
- Society of St. Vincent de Paul
- Seniors Breakfast Club

If you are interested to join, please email us at stjohn23do@archtoronto.org and we will direct you to the person leading these groups.

What unites us, is much greater than what divides us." St. John XXIII

IN THE NEWS !!!



Pope Francis holds a microphone on the flight back from Marseille. (VATICAN MEDIA Divisione Foto)

Pope's Communications Day message: AI can never replace wisdom of human heart

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/vatican-city/news/2024-01/pope-message-world-day-social-communications-ai.html>



CANADIAN BISHOPS RELEASE PASTORAL LETTER ON USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA
Thursday, January 25, 2024

NEWS ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS YOUNG ADULT (18-35) YOUTH (11-17)



CELEBRATION OF WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE – FEBRUARY 3
Sunday, January 21, 2024

NEWS ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS EVENTS



SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD
Sunday, January 21, 2024

NEWS ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

<https://www.archtoronto.org/en/outreach/news/>

****click the link to read the full text of the news****

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Feb 2nd, Feast of the Presentation of the Lord and First Friday at 6pm Eucharistic Adoration followed by the 7pm Mass and Blessings of Candle;
- Feb 3rd, First Saturday and Feast of St. Blaise, there will be blessing of the throat after the 9am Mass;
- First Holy Communion candidates, email the office to book an appointment for the 2nd Test;
- Our Parish Bulletin is published every Sunday, if you want to subscribe, email us.

