

St. John XXIII Parish

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PARISH BULLETIN | 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time | 13 SEP 2026

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Matthew 18.21-22

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. Allan



Saturday Vigil Mass – 5:15pm

Sunday Mass – 9am, 12:15pm, 5:30pm

Weekdays:

Monday, Wednesday, Friday – 7pm

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday – 9am

Baptism – every Saturday of the month.

Preparation class is required. Talk to **Fr. Allan** after any of the Sunday masses.

Confession every Saturday at 4pm or by appointment.

Confirmation – for Grade 7 & up
registration for 2026 is in the months of
August and September 2026

First Holy Communion – for Grade 2 &
up registration for 2026 is the months of
August and September 2026

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
Tel. 416-393-5348

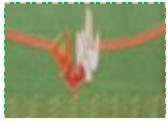
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St. John Chrysostom

Sep 13th

“The rich man is not one who is in possession of much, but one who gives much.”



**The Lord is merciful and gracious; slow to anger, and
abounding in steadfast love.** *Psalm 103*

First Reading (Sirach 27.30-28.7)

Anger and wrath, these are abominations, yet a sinner holds on to them. The vengeful person will face the Lord's vengeance, for he keeps a strict account of their sins. Forgive your neighbor the wrong that is done, and then your sins will be pardoned when you pray.

Does anyone harbour anger against another, and expect healing from the Lord? If one has no mercy toward another like oneself, can one then seek pardon for one's own sins? If one who is but flesh harbours wrath, who will make an atoning sacrifice for that person's sins?

Remember the end of your life, and set enmity aside; remember corruption and death, and be true to the commandments. Remember the commandments, and do not be angry with your neighbors; remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook faults.

Second Reading (Romans 14.7-9)

Brothers and Sisters: We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Gospel according to Matthew 18.21-35

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, how often should I forgive my brother or sister if they sin against me? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but I tell you, seventy-seven times."

For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' The lord of that slave released him the debt.

"But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt.

"When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt.

"So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."



COMPENDIUM OF THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

I Believe in God the Father

The Symbols of Faith

Cont...

58. Why does God permit evil? 311-314, 324

Faith gives us the certainty that God would not permit evil if he did not cause a good to come from that very evil. This was realized in a wondrous way by God in the death and resurrection of Christ. In fact, from the greatest of all moral evils (the murder of his Son) he has brought forth the greatest of all goods (the glorification of Christ and our redemption).

Heaven and Earth

59. What did God create? 325-327

Sacred Scripture says, “In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth” (*Genesis* 1:1). The Church in her profession of faith proclaims that God is the Creator of everything, visible and invisible, of all spiritual and corporeal beings, that is, of angels and of the visible world and, in a special way, of man.

60. Who are the angels? 328-333, 350-351

The angels are purely spiritual creatures, incorporeal, invisible, immortal, and personal beings endowed with intelligence and will. They ceaselessly contemplate God face-to-face and they glorify him. They serve him and are his messengers in the accomplishment of his saving mission to all.

61. In what way are angels present in the life of the Church? 334-336, 352

The Church joins with the angels in adoring God, invokes their assistance and commemorates some in her liturgy.

"Beside each believer stands an angel as a protector and shepherd leading him to life." (Saint Basil the Great)

62. What does Sacred Scripture teach about the creation of the visible world? 337-344

Through the account of the “six days” of creation Sacred Scripture teaches us the value of the created world and its purpose, namely, to praise God and to serve humanity. Every single thing owes its very existence to God from whom it receives its goodness and perfection, its proper laws and its proper place in the universe.

63. What is the place of the human person in creation?
343-344, 353

The human person is the summit of visible creation in as much as he or she is created in the image and likeness of God.

To read more click this link [Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church](#)

MASS INTENTIONS

Sep 12, 5:15PM Vigil Mass

+Omer & Donna Comeau

Sep 13, **SUNDAY** 9:00 AM + Victor & Calista Alzate

12:15 PM + The Parishioners

Thanksgiving of Castillo Family

5:30 PM + Efil Adlie Fernandes

Thanksgiving of Gracita Arroyo

Sep 14, Mon, 9:00AM + Martin Felix Tuanquin

Sep 15, Tues, 9:00AM No Mass

Sep 16, Wed, 7:00PM + Lourdina Figueiredo

+ Joyson Arriate

Sep 17, Thu, 9:00AM + Isabelita dela Cruz

Sep 18, Fri, 7:00PM + Tomas & Magdalena Quebral

Sep 19, Sat, 9:00AM + Mary Jane Gregory

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7-day Vigil Lamp – September 12-18, 2026

Sanctuary--- Intention of Danna Jane

Virgin Mary- Intention of Danna Jane

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## WORD OF THE WEEK

## “FORGIVENESS”

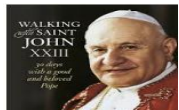
Forgiveness is a profound act that is not only about the forgiveness of others but also about the forgiveness of oneself. It is a process that involves acknowledging the hurt, praying for the person who hurt you, and participating in God's Divine Mercy revealed fully in Jesus Christ. Forgiveness is not just a feeling but a commitment to healing and restoration, and it is a key aspect of one's participation in the Catholic faith. *Forgiveness – CERC*

The Catechism emphasizes that only God can truly forgive sins, yet Jesus Christ, as the Son of God, exercises his divine authority on earth and extends it to His apostles, entrusting the Church with the ministry of reconciliation (CCC 1441-1444) USCCB Catechism of the Catholic Church

*Pope's Prayer Intention-SEPTEMBER 2026- For the care of water*

**Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource,  
so that everyone may have equal access to it.**

**Our Patron Saint...**



**“Doing penance for one’s sins is a first step towards obtaining forgiveness and winning eternal salvation.”**

*John XXIII*

**St. John Chrysostom Sep13<sup>th</sup>**

St. John Chrysostom lived from about 347 to 407. Born in Antioch, he was trained as an orator. In 374 he joined a community of hermits but returned to Antioch due to poor health. In 386 he was ordained and appointed preacher for the bishop. Famous for his eloquent sermons, he was named Archbishop of Constantinople in 398 and began a program of reform. Uncompromising in political and ecclesiastical affairs, he made enemies who eventually contrived to have him exiled. To avoid an uprising, John was taken away in secret, but died on the journey. After his death, he received the title ‘Chrysostomos’ (‘golden mouth’) in tribute to his powerful preaching. He is a patron of preachers.

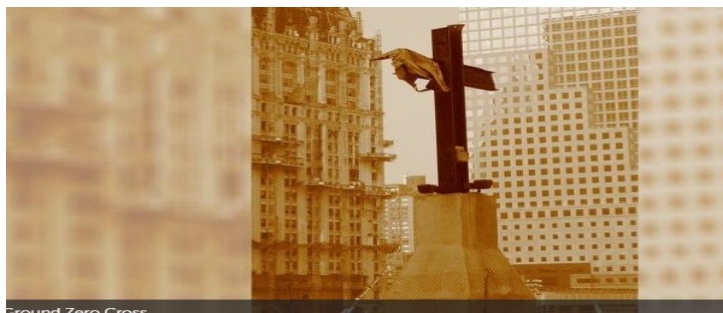
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**MARK YOUR  
CALENDAR**

**OCT 11<sup>th</sup> at the  
12:15pm MASS**

- **Launching of the Year-long preparation for the 50<sup>th</sup> Foundation Anniversary of St. John XXIII Parish**
- **Installation of the New Pastor – Fr. Allan to be officiated by Bishop Kasun**

**IN THE NEWS !!!**



**The Popes and 9/11: Christ’s light in history’s darkest hour**

To read more, click this link >>> [The Popes and 9/11: Christ’s light in history’s darkest hour - Vatican News](#)



**ARCHDIOCESE TO SUPPORT HUMANITARIAN RELIEF IN NEPAL AND COLOMBIA**

Tuesday, September 01, 2026



**ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE CHURCH IN ALLISTON CELEBRATES 150 YEARS OF ‘WALKING IN FAITH WITH CHRIST’**

Wednesday, September 09, 2026



**POPE LEO XIV APPOINTS REV. FRANK MCDEVITT “CHAPLAIN OF HIS HOLINESS”**

Friday, September 04, 2026

**Announcements!!!**

- ✠ Registration for the First Holy Communion and Confirmation is on going. Registration forms are available at the parish office. For those who have taken the form, please submit the form with the requirements;
- ✠ If you have Mass Intention, you can email the office to book your intention and your preferred date;
- ✠ Novena to St. Michael will start on September 18<sup>th</sup> before the Mass and the feast day is on September 27<sup>th</sup>.



≈ *Did you know???* ≈

**The ORDER OF MASS** *(continuation)*

**Q&A on the MASS**

**359. Who is the principal priest in every Mass?**

The principal priest in every Mass is Jesus Christ, who offers to His heavenly Father, through the ministry of His ordained priest, His body and blood which were sacrificed on the cross.

- (a) The Mass is the same sacrifice as the sacrifice of the cross. It is now in the New Law, the sacrifice that is acceptable to God.

**360. Why is the Mass the same sacrifice as the sacrifice of the cross?**

The Mass is the same sacrifice as the sacrifice of the cross because in the Mass the victim is the same, and the principal priest is the same, Jesus Christ.

- a) Christ, though invisible, is the principal minister, offering Himself in the Mass. The priest is the visible and secondary minister, offering Christ in the Mass.
- (b) The most important part of the Mass is the Consecration. In the Consecration bread and wine are changed into the body and blood of Christ who then is really present on the altar. Through the priest He offers Himself to God in commemoration of His death on the cross.
- (c) The other most important parts of the Mass are the Offertory and the Communion. In the Offertory the priest offers to God the bread and wine that will be changed into the body and blood of Christ. In the Communion the priest and the people receive the body and blood of Our Lord under the appearances of bread and wine.

***To be continued.....***

To read more click the link below: [Q&A on the Mass | EWTN](#)

**Pope Francis**

*Angelus, St. Peter's Sq,  
Sunday, 17 September 2017*

*Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good morning!*

This Sunday's Gospel reading (cf. Mt 18: 21-35) offers us a teaching on forgiveness, which does not deny the wrong suffered but recognises that the human being, created in the image of God, is always greater than the evil he commits. Saint Peter asked Jesus, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" (v. 21). To Peter it seems that the maximum is to forgive the same person seven times; and perhaps for us it already seems too much to do so twice. But Jesus answers, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times" (v. 22), that is, always: you must always forgive. And He confirms this by telling the parable of the merciful king and the unforgiving servant, which shows the inconsistency of he who is first forgiven and then refuses to forgive.

The king in the parable is a generous man who, gripped by compassion, remits an enormous debt — "ten thousand talents": enormous — to a servant who entreats him. However, that same servant, as soon as he meets a fellow servant who owes him one hundred denarii — that is, far less —, behaves mercilessly, having him thrown into prison. The inconsistent attitude of this servant is also ours, when we refuse to forgive our brothers. However, the king of the parable is the image of God, Who loves us with a love so rich in mercy so as to receive us, love us and forgive us continually. Ever since our Baptism God has forgiven us, remitting an insoluble debt: original sin. But that is the first time. Then, with limitless mercy, He forgives us all our faults as soon as we show even a small sign of remorse. Thus is God: merciful. When we are tempted to close our heart to those who have offended us and who ask us for forgiveness, ..

Click this link to read more- [The Pope's words at the Angelus prayer](#)