

St. John XXIII Parish

150 Gateway Blvd., Don Mills, ON M3C 3E2

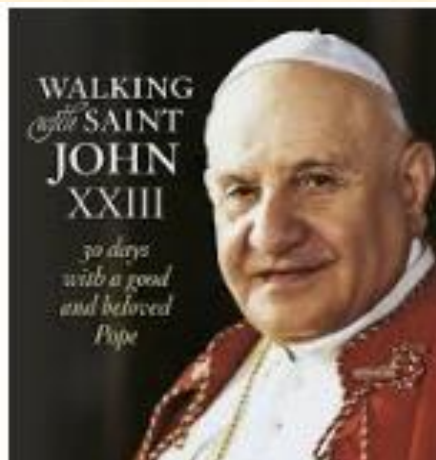
Website: <https://stjohn23do.archtoronto.org>

Email: stjohn23do@archtoronto.org

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9AM to 3PM



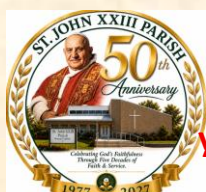
PARISH BULLETIN | 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time | 11 OCT 2026



St. John XXIII
our patron
saint,

Pray for us.

Happy
Feast Day!



October 11th, the launching of the
year-long preparation for the 50th
year of the Foundation of our Parish.

See page 6

Installation of Fr. Allan as our new Pastor –officiated by
Bishop Robert Kasun.

Happy Thanksgiving, Thank you Lord for all the Blessings!

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

Archdiocese of Toronto-

Tel. 416-934-0606 * www.archtoronto.org

St. John XXIII

Oct 11th

“Consult not your fears but
your hopes and your
dreams.”



I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long. *Psalms 23*

First Reading (Isaiah 25.6-10)

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day, “Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation. For the hand of the Lord will rest on this mountain.”

Second Reading (Philippians 4.6-9)

Brothers and Sisters: I know what it is to have little, and I know what it is to have plenty. In any and all circumstances I have learned the secret of being well-fed and of going hungry, of having plenty and of being in need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me. In any case, it was kind of you to share my distress

My God will fully satisfy every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Gospel according to Matthew 22.1-14

Once more Jesus spoke to the chief priests and Pharisees in parable: “The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come.

“Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: “Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.”’ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city.

“Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.



COMPENDIUM OF THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

**I Believe in God the Father
*The Fall***

Cont....

78. After the first sin, what did God do? 410-412, 420

After the first sin the world was inundated with sin but God did not abandon man to the power of death. Rather, he foretold in a mysterious way in the "Protoevangelium" (*Genesis 3:15*) that evil would be conquered and that man would be lifted up from his fall. This was the first proclamation of the Messiah and Redeemer. Therefore, the fall would be called in the future a "*happy fault*" because it "gained for us so great a Redeemer" (Liturgy of the Easter Vigil).

Chapter Two

I believe in Jesus Christ, the Only Son of God

79. What is the Good News for humanity? 422-424

It is the proclamation of Jesus Christ, the "Son of the living God" (*Matthew 16:16*), who died and rose from the dead. In the time of King Herod and the Emperor Caesar Augustus, God fulfilled the promises that he made to Abraham and his descendants. He sent "his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons" (*Galatians 4:4-5*).

80. How is the Good News spread? 425-429

From the very beginning the first disciples burned with the desire to proclaim Jesus Christ in order to lead all to faith in him. Even today, from the loving knowledge of Christ there springs up in the believer the desire to evangelize and catechize, that is, to reveal in the Person of Christ the entire design of God and to put humanity in communion with him.

"And in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord"

81. What is the meaning of the name "Jesus"? 430-440, 452

Given by the angel at the time of the Annunciation, the name "Jesus" means "God saves". The name expresses his identity and his mission "because he will save his people from their sins" (*Matthew 1:21*). Peter proclaimed that "there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we can be saved" (*Acts 4:12*).

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Oct 10, 5:15PM **Vigil Mass** + Isagani Ayala
Oct 11, **SUNDAY** 9:00 AM + Silvestra & Tomas Decena
12:15 PM Installation of Fr. Allan Lapay.
The Parishioners
5:30 PM + Efil Adlie Fernandes
Oct 12, Mon, 10:00AM + Ricardo Balatbat
+ Randy Goertzen
Thanksgiving of Sonia, Mary Jane & Family
Oct 13, Tues, 9:00AM
+ Souls of Jun Luks deceased family members
Oct 14, Wed, 7:00PM + Estelita & Jesus Labrador
Oct 15, Thu, 9:00AM + Teresa Ayala
Oct 16, Fri, 7:00PM Intention of Danna Jane
Oct 15, Sat, 9:00AM + Souls of Ng Mui Bun

7-day Vigil Lamp– October 10-16, 2026

Sanctuary- + Teresa Ayala
Virgin Mary- + Domingo Ayala

WORDS OF THE WEEK

"WEDDING BANQUET"

The wedding banquet is God's invitation to communion with Christ, and the Eucharist is already a foretaste of the eternal wedding feast of the Lamb in Heaven. "The Eucharist is more than a meal, it is a wedding-feast."- Benedict XVI. He also connected in his 2011 Holy Thursday homily that the Last Supper with the messianic wedding feast. He said that Jesus approached His final meal with an eager desire because He was about to give Himself to humanity in the Eucharist.

21 April 2011: Mass of the Lord's Supper

Pope's Prayer Intention–OCTOBER 2026– For Mental Health Ministry

For the establishment of mental-health ministries throughout the Church to overcome stigma and discrimination

Our Patron Saint...



"Whoever has a heart full of love always has something to give."

St. John XXIII

St. John XXIII Oct 11th

Pope John XXIII was born Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli in 1881. In 1904 he was ordained a priest and served as a secretary to the Bishop of Bergamo, then as seminary teacher, sergeant in the medical corps, military chaplain, spiritual director, and Apostolic Visitor before being appointed Bishop in 1925. In 1953 he was created a Cardinal and sent to Venice as Patriarch.

At the death of Pius XII, he was elected Pope on October 28, 1958, taking then name John XXIII. His pontificate, which lasted less than five years, presented him to the entire world as an authentic image of the Good Shepherd. Meek and gentle, enterprising and courageous, simple and active, he carried out the Christian duties of the corporal and spiritual words of mercy: visiting the imprisoned and the sick, welcoming those of every nation and faith, bestowing on all his exquisite fatherly care. His social magisterium in the Encyclicals *Pacem in terris* and *Mater et Magistra* was deeply appreciated.

He convoked the Roman Synod, established the Commission for the Revision of the Code of Canon Law and summoned the Second Vatican Council. He was present as Bishop in his Diocese of Rome through his visitation of the parishes, especially those in the new suburbs. The faithful saw in him a reflection of the goodness of God and called him "the good Pope." He was sustained by a profound spirit of prayer. He launched an extensive renewal of the Church, while radiating the peace of one who always trusted in the Lord. Pope John XXIII died on the evening of June 3, 1963, in a spirit of profound trust in Jesus and of longing for his embrace. He was canonized April 27, 2014, along with Saint John Paul II. *(Living with Christ Oct 2026 ed.)*

IN THE NEWS !!!



Amoris Laetitia: 'We have much to receive and learn' from families

To read more, click this link >>> [Amoris Laetitia: 'We have much to receive and learn' from families - Vatican News](#)



BILL C-218 VOTE ON OCTOBER 7 - CARDINAL LEO ASKS MPS TO SUPPORT PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILL
Monday, October 05, 2026



CRYPT CHAPEL BLESSED AND NEW ALTAR CONSECRATED AT ST. MICHAEL'S CATHEDRAL BASILICA
Thursday, October 08, 2026



NEW MEDICAL CLINIC FOR HOMELESS OPENS IN TORONTO
Tuesday, October 06, 2026

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

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



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
- Youth Group
- 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

Announcements!!!

- ✠ Last Call Grade 7 and up for Confirmation registration. If you already taken the form, please submit the requirements in the Office or to Fr. Allan;
- ✠ Meeting for all First Holy Communion candidates on October 17th at 11am;
- ✠ Next week October 18th is World Mission Sunday. Remember in your prayer all missionaries around the world. Also, we will have the second collection to support them.

≈ Did you know??? ≈

The **ORDER OF MASS** (continuation)

Q&A on the MASS

362. Is there any difference between the sacrifice of the cross and the Sacrifice of the Mass? *Continuation.....*

(g) The colors of the outer vestments worn during Mass are: white, which signifies purity of soul and holiness, red, which signifies the shedding of blood and burning love; green, which signifies hope; violet, which signifies penance; black, which signifies mourning; rose, which signifies joy in the midst of penance; and gold, which is used on solemn occasions in place of white, red, or green vestments.

White vestments are worn on feasts of Our Lord, the Blessed Virgin, saints who were not martyrs, and during the Easter season; red is used on the feasts of the Holy Ghost, the passion of Our Lord, and martyrs; green is used on the Sundays outside of Advent, Lent, and the Christmas and Easter season; violet is worn in Lent, Advent, and on penitential days, black is worn in Masses for the dead; rose may be used instead of violet on the third Sunday of Advent and on the fourth Sunday of Lent.

(h) Some of the important articles used during Mass are: the chalice, a gold-lined or other precious cup, in which the wine is consecrated; the paten, a gold-covered or other precious plate, on which the host is placed; the purificator, or cloth, for wiping the chalice, the pall, or linen-covered card, used to cover the chalice; the corporal, or square linen cloth, on which the host is placed; the missal, or book, from which the priest reads the prayers of the Mass; the candles, usually of beeswax; the crucifix over the altar; and the three linen cloths that cover the altar.

363. How should we assist at Mass?

We should assist at Mass with reverence, attention, and devotion.

(a) There are different ways of assisting at Mass devoutly: using the missal to follow the priest, saying the Mass prayers as found in a prayer book; singing hymns; and the like. *To be continued.....*

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

Pope Francis

St. Peter's Square

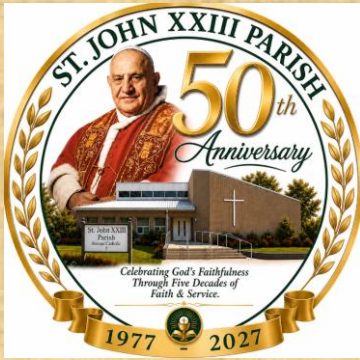
Sunday, 15 October 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters, buongiorno!

Today's Gospel passage tells us about a king who prepares a wedding banquet for his son (cf. Mt 22:1-14). He is a powerful man, but he is above all a generous father, who invites others to share in his joy. In particular, he reveals the goodness of his heart in the fact that he does not compel anyone, but invites everyone, even though this way exposes him to the possibility of rejection. We notice that he prepares a banquet, *freely* offering an opportunity for encounter, an opportunity for a feast. This is what God prepares for us: a banquet, to be in communion with him and among ourselves. And we, all of us, are therefore God's invited guests. But a wedding banquet requires time and commitment on our part: it requires a "yes": to go, to go to the Lord's invitation. He invites, but he leaves us free.

This is the type of relationship that the Father offers us: he calls us to stay with him, leaving us the possibility to accept or not accept [the invitation]. He does not propose to us a relationship of subjection, but rather of fatherhood and sonship, which is necessarily conditioned by our free assent. God is very respectful regarding freedom; *very* respectful. Saint Augustine uses a very beautiful expression in this regard, saying: "He who created us without our help will not save us without our consent" (Sermonclxix, 13). And certainly not because he does not have the capacity to do so — God is omnipotent! — but because, being love, he respects our freedom fully. God proposes: he does not impose. Never.

Let us return, then, to the parable: the king, the text says, "sent his servants to call those who were invited to the marriage feast; but they *would not come*" (v. 3). Here is the drama of the story: the "no" to God. But why do people refuse his invitation? Was it perhaps an unpleasant invitation? No, and yet — the Gospel says — "they made light of it and went off, [Click this link to read more- Angelus, 15 October 2023](#)



Monthly Activities

October 2026- October 10, 2027

Support the
different fund-
raising activities
for the
anniversary

October 11, 2026 in the 12:00NN Mass -

- Feast Day of our Patron Saint John XXIII
- Launching of the Preparation for the 50th Anniversary
- Unveiling of the 50th Anniversary Logo

October 1- 31, 2026 in all Masses

- Recitation of the Holy Rosary

November 15, 2026 in the 9:00AM Mass

- A Requiem Mass for all the deceased parishioners specially those who had their funeral Mass here at St. John XXIII Church. Their families are invited to attend.

December 13, 2026 in the 9:00AM Mass

- Mass for all children and adults who have been baptized at St. John XXIII since 1974 and listed in the Baptism Register. They are all invited to attend the Mass.

Additional activities will be posted in the bulletin board as well as in the Parish Weekly Bulletin.

St. John 23rd Parish Social Media
Follow us on →

