# St. Theresa's Parish Shrine of the Little Flower

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## Sunday Masses

Saturday (Vigil) - 5:00 p.m. Sunday - 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 noon

#### Weekday Masses

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday - 7:00 p.m. Tuesday - 7 p.m. (*St. Theresa Devotion & Benediction*)

> Eucharistic Adoration First Friday, 2:00 to 6:00 p.m.

#### Care of the Sick

Please contact the parish office for Visitation and/or Communion for the sick.

#### **Office Hours**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 12 noon & 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. Thursday, Saturday, Sunday: Office is closed (Above Schedule Subject to Change)

# Weekend Parking Availability

- 1. Church parking is limited. Please park within the lines;
- Scarborough Cres. (dead end street in front of the church)
   east side only;
- 3. Kingston Rd. north and south sides on weekends;
- 4. Midland Ave. east and west sides near John Leslie School;
- 5. Kelsonia Ave. north side (east of Scarborough Cres. only)
- 6. Certain parts of the residential area south of the church;
- 7. No Frills Plaza. (If shopping after mass).

Please ensure that you always observe the parking signs.

**SIGN UP!** We encourage parishioners to sign up on our parish website to receive an electronic copy of the parish bulletin or be notified of important parish announcements



# SHRINE OF THE LITTLE FLOWER

#### **Confessions**

Friday: 6:30PM; Saturday: 4:30PM; Sunday: 9:30AM & 11:30AM. (Begins 30 minutes before Mass and ends 10 minutes before the Mass)

#### **Baptisms**

Every Fourth Sunday of the month Preparation Class - By appointment only

#### Weddings

Couples planning to be married should contact the priest one year in advance. A marriage preparation course is mandatory.

#### Parish Schools

St. Theresa's Shrine School - 416-393-5248 St. John Henry Newman Catholic School - 416-393-5519 TCDSB - 416-222-8282 ext. 5314

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#### Parish Outreach Society of Saint Vincent de Paul 416-261-7498 ext. 4

Welcome to St. Theresa Church, Shrine of the Little Flower, whether you are a long-time parishioner or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God that you are with us. If you have not registered or would like to update your registration information, please fill out this form, cut and drop in the Offertory basket or send to the Parish Office.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal: \_\_\_\_\_

Email:

New Parishioner
 New Address
 New Phone #
 Request Offertory Envelope
 Pls Unregister
 Interested in volunteering? Please call the office.



## Mass Intentions for the Week

#### <u>Tuesday, January 24</u> Saint Francis de Sales

7:00 pm ⊕ Wilfrido Paragas (Belen Bayawa)
⊕ Annalese, Michael Forth & Elizath Bernard
⊕ Betty-Lin Lafrance (Michel Lafrance & Family)

## Wednesday, January 25

#### The Conversion of Saint Paul

7:00 pm Thanksgiving of Josefina Villapando ⊕ Ramona Cericos (Josefina Villapando)

## Thursday, January 26

Saint Timothy & Saint Titus 7:00 pm ⊕ Jo Andrew Leggio *(Theresa Leggio)* Thanksgiving of Gigi Robles

### Friday, January 27

7:00 pm Thanksgiving of Jeniffer Kath ⊕ Francisco Gonzales (Mildred Daz & Family) ⊕ All Souls in Purgatory

#### Saturday, January 28 (Vigil Mass) Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 5:00 pm For the Parishioners of St Theresa's

## Sunday, January 29

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 10:00 am ⊕ Carmen Donaldson (Margaret David) 12:00 noon ⊕ Alice & Charles Brewster (Frank Brewster and family)



# Let Us Pray FOR THE SICK

Maria Ferreira, Norma Salmingo, Judy Discutido, Vic Walker, Norman Garcia, Conchita & Del Laranang, Susan Tighe, Vivian Potter, Carmelina Aquino, Madeleine Franco, Paul & Monica Brewster, Nadia Moalic-Gagnon, Vesca Isaef, Bobbi Melchers



# **PRAY FOR VOCATIONS**

"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." Are you willing to proclaim the coming of the kingdom as a priest, deacon, brother, or sister? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997, or email: vocations@archtoronto.org

# SUNDAY READINGS

**First Reading** *Isaiah 8:23-9:3* The people in darkness have seen a great light.

**Responsorial Psalm** *Psalm 27:1,4,13-14* The Lord is our refuge, our light, our salvation.

### Second Reading

*1 Corinthians 1:10-13,17* Paul urges the community at Corinth to be united as people baptized in Christ's name.

## **Gospel Reading**

Matthew 4:12-23 Jesus begins to preach in Galilee and calls his first disciples. (shorter form Matthew 4:12-17)

### BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING

Today's Gospel describes the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. Jesus' public ministry begins after his baptism by John the Baptist and after his retreat to the desert where he was tempted by the devil. When Jesus returns from the desert, he hears that John has been arrested.

The first part of today's Gospel places Jesus' ministry in the context of the writings of the prophet, Isaiah. Matthew wants to show that Jesus is the fulfillment of the prophecies given to the people of Israel, and he refers to Isaiah to do so. Isaiah says that the Messiah will begin his ministry in Galilee, the land of the Gentiles. When Jesus begins to preach in Galilee, Matthew points to his ministry as a fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy, proof that Jesus is the Messiah.

When Jesus called his first disciples, the Gospel tells us that the fishermen (Peter and Andrew, James, and John) dropped everything to follow Jesus immediately. Yet this Gospel tells us little about the prior experience that the fishermen had of Jesus. Did they know him? Had they heard him preach? What kind of person must Jesus have been to invoke such a response? We can imagine that Jesus was a powerful presence to elicit a response as immediate and complete as these first disciples gave.

The Gospel concludes with a description of the ministry that Jesus begins in Galilee. Jesus inaugurates the Kingdom of God with his work. He teaches in the synagogue and preaches the kingdom. His ability to cure people's diseases and illness is a sign of the kingdom. In Jesus' ministry, we already begin to see the Kingdom of God among us. (LoyolaPress.com)

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# FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION ENROLMENT January 29, 2023

The Rite of Enrollment is a ceremony in which the Candidates make their official commitment to enter preparations for the sacrament of Frist Holy Communion and Confirmation.

This ceremony marks the beginning of a "journey of faith" for children and their parents who are starting the sacramental formation process. It is also a sign to the larger community that all of us have a role in the formation of everyone in the parish.

Likewise, it shows children and their families that they are part of the larger faith community. The members of the parish community provide prayer and support which is needed for the children, their families, and their catechists throughout the formation period.

First Holy Communion Enrolment will take place at the **10 AM Mass on Sunday, January 29.** 

Confirmation Enrolment will take place at the **12 NOON** Mass on Sunday, January 29.

<u>ATTENTION PARENTS,</u> attendance at these Enrolments is required of Sacramental Candidates.

## **COLLECTION REPORT**

## January 14 & 15, 2023

Offertory	1,989.10
Offertory Pre-Authorize Giving (PAG)	290.62
Renovation	173.00
Renovation Pre-Authorize Giving	
(PAG)	117.87
Candles	411.90
Mass Stipends	45.00
TOTAL COLLECTION: \$	3,027.49
Weekly Collection Budget	4,500.00
(to break-even with overhead)	
Deficit: \$	-1,472.51

### **COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-INS.**

Do you know someone who is sick or cannot attend Mass but would like to receive Holy Communion? Ask them to contact the office and we will make arrangements to visit them.

## **Charitable Tax Receipt for 2022**

The parish office will soon prepare your Charitable Tax Receipt for 2022. If you have moved or need to update your record in the parish, please contact the office by email at sttheresassc@archtoronto.org. Tax Receipts will be available for pick up in February. Thank you for your generous donations to the parish. ♥

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We thank new parishioners who have recently registered to the parish and requested offertory envelopes for 2023.This gesture is greatly appreciated.

We are very grateful for your support. Families who have recently moved to our area and wish to be registered to our parish are encouraged to visit or email the parish office.

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If you have **any questions regarding Pre-Authorized Giving or Online Donations using Credit Card,** the Development Office at the Archdiocese of Toronto is pleased to assist. Please call: 416-934-3400, ext. 540



<u>Mother Teresa: No Greater Love</u>, the newest film from the Knights of Columbus, will be showing at two theatres in the Archdiocese of Toronto this month.

On Sunday, January 22, it will be screening at Scotiabank Theatre in downtown Toronto at 3:30 p.m. and on Monday, January 23, it will be shown at Cineplex Cinemas Queensway in Etobicoke at 7 p.m.

Twenty-five years after the death of Mother Teresa, this film reveals not just who Mother Teresa was, but how her singular vision to serve Christ in the poor continues to be realized through the Missionaries of Charity today.

### Are you celebrating milestone wedding

**anniversary this year?** You are invited to register to the Celebration of Marriage on Sunday, February 12 at 2:30 PM -- St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. Please visit: www.archtoronto.org/marriage to register. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass:

https://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live/



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