

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

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ADVENT



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, December 20

7:00 pm

Wednesday, December 21

7:00 pm

Thursday, December 22

7:00 pm † Carmelo Cornacchia (*Incoronata Cornacchia*)

† Wesley McCoy (Yvonne & Sebastian Dsouza)

Friday, December 23

7:00 pm † All Souls in Purgatory

† James McBrearty (*Shirley McBrearty*)

Saturday, December 24

Christmas Eve

5:00 pm For Parishioners of St Theresa's

10:00 pm For Parishioners of St Theresa's

Sunday, December 25

The Nativity of the Lord

10:00 am For Parishioners of St Theresa's

12 noon For Parishioners of St Theresa's




Let Us Pray FOR THE SICK


Medy Soros, 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

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

 We are obliged to attend separate Masses for:

Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord
Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

 During this special season, parishioners who cannot attend Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion in their homes are welcome to call the parish office at 416-261-7498 and make the necessary arrangements.

 The Parish office will be CLOSED on the following dates: Dec. 23 (noon), 26, 27, 30 (noon) 2022, and Jan. 2, 2023.

Advent Prayer



Week 4: Peace

Light 3 purple candles & 1 pink
& 1 white candle in the centre

Jesus, be born in our hearts today and fill us with your love. As we light these candles, we celebrate your birth. You came into a world of darkness and sin to save us. Because of you, we are now called children of the light. Help us to live lives worthy of your love. Amen.



Christmas and New Year Schedule



Tuesday Dec. 20	7:30 PM, ADVENT CONFESSIONS Six priests will be available to hear confessions immediately following the 7 PM Mass. No Novena to St Therese.
Friday Dec. 23	6:45 PM Devotions, 7 PM Mass Office is Closed at noon in observance of Christmas Eve.
Saturday Dec. 24	5 PM, CHRISTMAS EVE MASS 10 PM, CHRISTMAS NIGHT MASS
Sunday Dec. 25	10 AM, CHRISTMAS DAY MASS 12 NOON, CHRISTMAS DAY MASS
Monday Dec. 26	10 AM, ST. STEPHEN'S MASS Office is Closed in observance of Christmas Day.
Tuesday Dec. 27	7 PM, Mass & Novena to St Therese Office is Closed in observance of Boxing Day
Friday Dec. 30	6:45 PM Devotions, 7 PM Mass FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH Office is Closed at noon in observance of New Year's Eve.
Saturday Dec. 31	5 PM (Vigil Mass), SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
Sunday Jan. 1	10 AM & 12 NOON, SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

RELIGIOUS ITEMS FOR SALE TODAY!
DECEMBER 17 & 28

There will be a “fire sale” of all the gift shop items before and after the 5 PM and 10 AM and 12 NOON Masses. Items will be sold in the foyer of the Church as usual.



Message from SSVP

Requests for Christmas assistance continue to be left on our phone line. Our ‘neighbours in need’ tell us how grateful they are for the help that your donations make possible whether at Christmas or throughout the year.

We believe that we can and do make a difference and we thank you for your generous support, which makes that ‘difference’ possible.

COLLECTION REPORT
December 10 & 11, 2022

Offertory	2,167.55
Offertory Pre-Authorize Giving (PAG)	315.62
Renovation	218.00
Renovation Pre-Authorize Giving (PAG)	117.87
Candles	543.80
Mass Stipends	135.00
Others (T-shirts & Scraps)	84.25
Funeral	350.00
Christmas Offering	20.00
Flowers for Christmas	602.50
TOTAL COLLECTION:	4,554.59
Weekly Collection Budget	4,500.00
(to break-even with overhead)	
SURPLUS: \$	54.59
Sunday Missals	
18 books @ \$5	40.00
Archdiocese Collection	
Shepperds Trust	10.00
World Mission Sunday	20.00



Thank You!



Your generous offering for the Christmas Flowers will make our church beautiful and present a very festive spirit this Christmas. Thank you for your support.

Celebration of Marriage Mass
with Bishop Nguyen
Sunday, February 12 – 2:30 PM
St. Michael’s Cathedral Basilica
65 Bond St., Toronto

As part of Marriage Sunday 2023 celebrations, Bishop Vincent Nguyen will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, especially those celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries (25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+) in 2023. All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their vows and milestone anniversary celebrants will be honoured with a special blessing. The Mass is open to all, but due to space restrictions those wishing to attend are asked to register online. Milestone anniversary celebrants will be assured of reserved seating. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via livestream Mass here:

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

The broadcast will begin at 2:15 p.m. Registration opens on December 9, 2022. Please visit www.archtoronto.org/marriage to register and to access resources for parishes and couples.

Praying with the Life
of Sr. Faustina Kowalska

Monday, January 30, 2023 – 9 AM to 3 PM
Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre
2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering

A day of reflection open to men and women. While most Catholics are familiar with the Icon of the Divine Mercy which is found in most parishes, less known is the life of Sr. Faustina, an obscure Polish nun, whom Jesus used to proclaim God’s infinite mercy for all who desire to receive it. Facilitated by Fr. Henk van Meijel, SJ. A suggested offering of \$65 per person. Includes break, lunch and Mass along with program. REGISTER: manresa-canada.ca CONTACT: registration@manresa.ca PHONE: 905-839-2864

Offertory Envelopes for 2023

Envelopes are available at the back of the church. **Please make sure you take the box that has your name on it.** Those who wish to get assigned envelope for next year, please call the parish office.



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