# 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

#### Tuesday, January 17 Saint Anthony

7:00 pm ⊕ Barbara Smith *(Mary Anne Hoyle)* Good Health for Emile & Mary Tisseverasinghe

Wednesday, January 18

7:00 pm

Thursday, January 19 7:00 pm

Friday, January 20 7:00 pm ⊕ All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, January 21 (Vigil Mass) 5:00 pm ⊕ Carmen Donaldson (Judy Romero)

#### Sunday, January 22

#### Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am ⊕ Natividad Lorenzana *(Madeleine Franco)* 12:00 noon For the Parishioners of St Theresa's



# 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

## FOR THE DECEASED

Amanda Fuentes, Agapito de Rosales, Thomas Madden

# **VOCATION SEEDS**



St. Paul tells us that we have been sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be a holy people. Could it be that you or

someone in your family is being called to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister? contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto:



: vocations@archtoronto.org

# SUNDAY READINGS

**First Reading:** *Isaiah 49:3,5-6* God's servant, Israel, will be made a light to the nations.

> **Responsorial Psalm**: *Psalm 40:2,4,7-10* God desires obedience.

**Second Reading**: *1 Corinthians 1:1-3* Paul greets the Church in Corinth.

**Gospel Reading**: John 1:29-34 John testifies that Jesus is the Lamb of God, God's own Son.

#### BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING

In today's reading, John the Baptist sees Jesus approaching and cries out, giving witness about who Jesus is. In John's testimony he says that he saw the Spirit descend upon Jesus. By this sign, John the Baptist knew that Jesus was the one who is to come after him.

John the Baptist uses two titles for Jesus that are familiar to us. John calls Jesus the "Lamb of God" and the "Son of God." By using these titles, John the Baptist identifies Jesus' ultimate purpose: to redeem sinful humanity.

John the Baptist's testimony about Jesus clearly distinguishes John's baptism from the Baptism that Jesus will inaugurate. John baptizes with water; Jesus will baptize with the Holy Spirit. John also puts his practice of baptism in the context of Jesus' ministry. The purpose of John's baptism was to make Jesus known to Israel.

John the Baptist's sense of purpose is clearly identified in this reading: he baptized in order to prepare for and make known the ministry of the One who was to follow. John's witness is an excellent example of what it means to be a disciple. By our Baptism, we are called to make Jesus known to all the world by our words and by the witness of our lives. (LoyolaPress.com)

# FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION ENROLMENT DATES

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.** 

ATTENTION PARENTS, attendance at these Enrolments is required of Sacramental Candidates.



Celebration of Marriage Mass with Bishop Nguyen February 12, 2023 – 2:30 PM

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. The Mass will take place at 2:30 PM on Sunday, February 12 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond Street, Toronto). All married couples will have the opportunity to renew their vows and milestone anniversary celebrants will be honoured with a special blessing.

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 is now open.** Please visit: <u>www.archtoronto.org/marriage</u> to register and to access resources for parishes and couples.

# **Need Help?**

Catholic Family Services of Toronto is a Catholic Charities fully accredited as a family service agency by the Canadian Centre for Accreditation. They provide professional assistance to individual, couple & family counselling, psychotherapy, wellness, and marriage preparation services.



Central Toronto Office 1155 Yonge St. Suite 101 Toronto, ON M4T 1W2 (Summerhill Subway Stn) Tel: 416-921-1163 North Toronto Office 245 Fairview Mall Drive Suite 201 Toronto, ON M2J 4T1 (East of Fairview Mall) Tel: 416-222-0048

### "Do We Tolerate Sin in our Lives?"

Spiritus East Young Adult Ministry (Ages 19-35) Talk // Adoration // Fellowship with Fr. Brenton Cordeiro, CC

Wednesday, January 11 – 7 PM (Doors open at 6:45 PM) St. Thomas More Parish 2234 Ellesmere Rd, Scarborough

Have we reached a place wherein we are "allowing for" or "accepting" or "tolerating" a certain amount of sin in our lives? Many of us have probably heard how sin damages our relationship with God. If that is the case, how can we be okay with allowing sin to be a part of our lives? Let us talk about cultivating an intolerance for sin and to truly learn to hate any sin in our lives. As we begin the new year, perhaps it's an opportunity to sincerely try to make changes to weed out the weeds that need to go.

RSVP: <u>https://fb.me/e/2d2ap6tpl</u> CONTACT: 437-900-2602 EMAIL: samantha@ocytoronto.org POSTER: <u>https://bit.ly/SpiritusEastJan2023</u>

### COLLECTION REPORT January 7 & 8, 2023

Offertory	2409.00
Offertory Pre-Authorize Giving (PAG)	290.62
Renovation	767.75
Renovation Pre-Authorize Giving (PAG)	117.87
Christmas Offering	320.00
Mass Stipends	270.00
New Year's Day Offering	35.00
Funeral	200.00
Donations (Creche)	87.20
TOTAL COLLECTION: \$	4,497.44
Weekly Collection Budget \$	4,500.00
(to break-even with overhead)	
Deficit: \$	- 2.56

## **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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