St. Theresa's Parish Shrine of the Little Flower

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Sunday Masses

Saturday (Vigil) - 5:00 PM Sunday - 10:00 AM & 12:00 noon

Weekday Masses

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

> Eucharistic Adoration First Friday, 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM

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 AM – 12 noon & 1:00 – 5:00 PM 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: 6:30 PM; Saturday: 4:30 PM; Sunday: 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM. (Begins 30 minutes before Mass and ends 10 minutes before the Mass)

Baptisms

By Appointment Preparation Class Required

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

Archdiocese of Toronto

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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.



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Mass Intentions for the Week

7:00 pm ⊕ Janet Faust (Bernadette Tracey) ⊕ Bella Esguerra (Ariel Lingad) Special Intentions for Margaret Carty & Family

<u>Wednesday, May 17</u> 7:00 pm Special Intentions for Derek Pinter (*Daphne*)

<u>Thursday, May 18</u>

7:00 pm

Friday, May 19 7:00 pm ⊕ All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, May 20 (Vigil Mass) The Ascension of the Lord 5:00 pm The Parishioners at St Theresa Church

Sunday, May 21

The Ascension of the Lord

10:00 am Thanksgiving for Blessings Received of Mr & Mrs Graciano Marquez12:00 pm Thanksgiving for Maya W. Hilding (*Zenaida Tare*)



Belinda Lobo, Visitacion Perez, Edward Ramit, Margaret Wilson, Rene Sagolili, Sara Pinder, Nena Christian, Norma Salmingo, Judy Discutido, Susan Tighe, Vivian Potter, Carmelina Aquino, Paul & Monica Brewster

A Prayer in Gratitude for Our Mothers

Good and Gentle God,

we pray in gratitude for our mothers, and for all the women who have joined with you in the wonder of bringing forth new life. You who became human through a woman, grant to all mothers the courage they need to face the uncertain future that life with children always brings. Give them the strength to live and to be loved in return. Give them the faithful support of husband, family, and friends as they care for the physical and spiritual growth of their children. Give them joy and delight in their children to sustain them through the trials of motherhood. Most of all, give them the wisdom to turn to you for help when they need it most.

SUNDAY CONNECTION

First Reading Acts of the Apostles 8:5-8,14-17 The people of Samaria accept the Gospel of Jesus proclaimed to them by Philip.

> **Responsorial Psalm** *Psalm 66:1-7,16,20* Sing praise to God, all the earth.

Second Reading 1 Peter 3:15-18 Be ready to give explanation for your hope in Christ.

Gospel Reading John 14:15-21 Jesus promises his disciples that he will send them another

advocate, the Spirit of truth.

In today's reading Jesus offers encouragement to his disciples, who will soon see him crucified. He reassures them that even though he will leave them, he will not abandon them. Instead, he will send them the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, through whom the disciples will continue to live in union with Jesus.

Jesus uses the term *Advocate* to describe the Holy Spirit, whom the disciples will receive. Another word used to describe the Holy Spirit is *Paraclete*, a legal term meaning "one who offers defense for another." Note that Jesus says that he will send "another Advocate." Jesus himself is the first advocate, interceding for his disciples with the Father.

In today's reading Jesus contrasts his impending departure with the permanence of the gift of the Holy Spirit. Jesus will leave to return to the Father, but the Holy Spirit will remain with the disciples. *(Excerpt from LoyolaPress.com)*

The Month of May is Dedicated to Mother Mary

The pious practice of honouring Mary during the month of May has been especially promoted by the Popes. As our mother she is an example of a committed "Yes" to the will of God. Because of the devotion to her many people ask her for help in the most difficult moments of their life as any child does with his mother.

The month of May is the time when spring is at the height of its

beauty. Spring is also connected with nature renewing itself. In her way, Mary gave new life to the world when she gave birth to our saviour Jesus Christ. (*Salt+Light*)



NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

We continue our Novena Prayers to the Holy Spirit in preparation for Pentecost Sunday. The novena prayer will begin immediately following the weekday 7PM Masses and include Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

2nd Day: Tuesday, **May 16**—7PM Mass to 7:50PM 3rd Day, Wednesday, **May 17**—7PM Mass to 7:50PM 4th Day, Thursday, **May 18**—7PM Mass to 7:50PM 5th Day, Friday, **May 19**—7PM Mass to 7:50PM

Sunday of The Ascension of the Lord, Sunday, May 20

6th Day, Tuesday, **May 23**—7PM Mass to 7:50PM 7th Day, Wednesday, **May 24**—7PM Mass to 7:50PM 8th Day, Thursday, **May 25**—7PM Mass to 7:50PM 9th Day, Friday, **May 26**—7PM Mass to 7:50PM



Sacrament of Confirmation

Mass & Novena to the Holy Spirit for Pentecost (Preparation for Mass of Confirmation) Thurs, May 25, and Friday, May 26, 7PM-7:50PM

Rehearsal for Confirmation Mass

Saturday, May 27 at 11AM in Church

Mass of Confirmation

Saturday, May 27 at 5PM (Confirmandi & Sponsor in Parish Hall at 4:30PM)

Share your love on Mother's Day

On Mother's Day, all moms deserve to be celebrated and supported. Did you know that our parish's ShareLife campaign is helping young women with an unexpected pregnancy? One such mother is Nikki, who was able to continue her education and receive practice assistance through a ShareLifefunded agency called Rose of Sharon.

"If it wasn't for you and for ShareLife, I don't know where we would be today," says Nikki. "We will always and forever be grateful for your support!"

Thus far we have raised **\$28,188.10 (70%)** toward our goal of **\$40,000.** Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWLY ORDAINED PRIEST



Rev. Cole Powers, Rev. Carlos Marquez, Rev. Marko Ljuba, Rev. Sean Jacob, Rev. Savio Bruto Da Costa

O Jesus, our great High Priest, hear our humble prayers on behalf of Your newly ordained priests. Give them a deep faith, a bright and firm hope, and a burning love which will ever increase in the course of their priestly lives.

In their loneliness, comfort them; in their sorrows, strengthen them; in their frustrations, point out to them that it is through suffering that the soul is purified.

Show them that they are needed by the Church, they are needed by souls, they are needed for the work of redemption. Amen.

Christian Life Seminar

Saturdays, May 27 - June 24, 6:30 – 10:00 PM Our Lady of Fatima Church (Basement)

Missionary Families of Christ Defending Faith, Family and Life invites you to an integrated course for individuals and families intended to bring a stronger relationship with God by discovering and living more fully the power and gifts he/she received through the Holy Spirit. For the family, it brings married couples and other family members to a renewed commitment to Christian Family Life.

For more information, call: Ed Zapanta 647-882-1099 Rosel & Rhoda Gablan 647-343-1681

COLLECTION REPORT MAY 6 & 7	
Offertory	1,913.50
Offertory Pre-Authorize Giving (PAG)	317.60
Renovation Pre-Authorize Giving (PAG)	122.85
Renovation	974.00
Mass Stipends	95.00
Candles	449.45
TOTAL COLLECTION: \$	3,872.40
Estimated Weekly Expenses	4,500.00
Deficit: \$	-628
Archdiocesan Collection: ShareLife	100.00



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