

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

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

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Friday 12:00 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 to Friday
9:00 AM – 12 noon & 1:00 – 4:30 PM
Office is closed on Saturday, Sunday & Holidays
(Above Schedules are Subject to Change)

Weekend Parking Availability

1. Church parking is limited. Please park within the lines;
2. 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

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

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St. John Henry Newman Catholic School - 416-393-5519
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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.

Please remember your Parish in your Will



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, December 19

7:00 pm † Wilfrido Paragas (*Belen Bayawa*)
† Carmelo Cornacchia (*Incornata Cornacchia*)

Wednesday, December 20

7:00 pm † Agnes Greany (*Mathew Tulio*)
Healing for Jose Lima & Maria Conceicao
Lima (*Madeleine Franco*)

Thursday, December 21

7:00 pm † Alfredo Malibiran (*Josefina Villapando*)

Friday, December 22

7:00 pm † Jasmin Ilumba (*Josie Milad Chang*)
† All Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, December 23 (Vigil Mass)

Fourth Sunday of Advent

5:00 pm † Rita King (*King family*)

Sunday, December 24

Fourth Sunday of Advent

10:00 am † All Souls in Purgatory (*Raquel Diaz*)

Christmas Eve Mass

5:00 pm For Parishioners of St Theresa's
10:00 pm For Parishioners of St Theresa's



Let Us Pray

FOR THE SICK

Mitchell Giblin, Alexandro Macatangay, Maureen Seguin, Colleen Mills, Ed Tan, Rene Sagolili, Phyllis Bowden, Earl Villareal, Patrick Wallington, John Facchini, Sally Baker, Irene Barnes, Belinda Lobo, Edward Ramit, Margaret Wilson, Norma Salmingo, Judy Discutido, Susan Tighe, Vivian Potter, Carmelina Aquino, Paul & Monica Brewster

DECEASED

Rita King, Dr James McGarragle

Pope's Prayer Intentions for December

For persons with disabilities

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.



Advent Prayer

Week 3: Joy

“Light the pink candle
for the third Sunday of Advent
Gaudete Sunday: Rejoice Sunday.”

God, as we light these candles, we thank you for all the blessings in our lives. You have done great things for us.

In you we find faith, hope and joy.

We thank you especially for the gift of our family
and the joy we share. Amen

VOCATION SEEDS

There was a man named John, sent by God, who came as a witness to testify to the Light, so that through this person all people might believe. Is it possible God could be calling your name to witness to the Light of Christ in our day? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. email vocations@archtoronto.org

COLLECTION REPORT DECEMBER 9 & 10

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Confirmation	65.00
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Donation for 90th Anniversary Reception	70.00
TOTAL COLLECTION: \$	4,866.08
Estimated Weekly Expenses	4,500.00
Surplus: \$	366.08
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Marygrove	5.00

Offertory Envelopes for 2024

Envelopes are available at the back of the church. **Please make sure you take the box that has your name on it** to make sure your donations are posted accurately.

Those who wish to get assigned envelope for next year, please call the parish office.

Thank you for your generosity toward St Theresa's Parish community. Your charitable tax receipt will be available First week of February 2024.



Dear Parishioners,

What a wonderful celebration for the 90th Anniversary took place this past Sunday at the Noon Mass.

The Choir sang so well; the Ushers were on the ball; the Lectors proclaimed Christ beautifully; our one single Eucharistic Minister must be thanked too(!); and the Altar Servers, under Judy's guidance, served the Mass devotedly; Deacon Peter was masterful at deaconing it too(!).

Thanks to the Knights of Columbus for the honour guard to His Grace.

Melita and her Volunteers served, at the gift shop, your gift requests at all the Masses for a second weekend in a row (and afterwards, were in the Church for hours packing up and putting away)

Many thanks to Deiren Masterson, a parishioner, for the many hours that went into the 25-minute pictorial history of the parish that you saw before the weekend Masses and at the Reception in the Hall. It is uploaded to the parish website if you would like to see it again.

If you joined us for the reception downstairs in the Hall I am sure you were amazed at the wonderful decor and lavish refreshments that Colleen Chandler and her volunteers unleashed on us! (They were in the Hall cleaning up until well past 5PM) A very big thank you to them for their great effort. Also, thank you to all of you for the "flood" of donated food for this occasion.

I am sure I have forgotten to thank some of you. Consider yourself now thanked.

The Archbishop mentioned in the Hall that *"this seems like one big family"*.

That I think is high praise to you as a community of Jesus' disciples.

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.



Schedule Christmas & New Year



DATE AND TIME	FEAST/ PARISH EVENT	NOTES
Tuesday DEC. 19 7:30PM	Advent Parish Confessions 9 Priests available	St Therese Novena is cancelled
Saturday DEC. 23 5PM Vigil Mass	4th Sunday of Advent	12NOON Mass is cancelled
Sunday DEC. 24 10AM Mass		
Sunday DEC. 24 5PM Mass	Christmas Eve Masses	
10PM Mass		
Monday DEC. 25 10AM Mass	Christmas Day Masses	Holy Day of Obligation Parish Office is Closed.
12NOON Mass		
Tuesday DEC. 26 10AM Mass	St Stephen's Mass	7PM Mass is Cancelled Parish Office is Closed.
Saturday DEC. 30 5PM Vigil Mass	Solemnity of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph	(No Dec 31, 5PM Vigil Mass for January 1)
Sunday DEC. 31 10AM Mass 12NOON Mass		
Monday JAN.1 10AM Mass 12 NOON Mass	Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God World Day Peace	Holy Day of Obligation Parish Office is Closed.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS



We continue our Eucharistic Adoration schedule on Fridays from 12 Noon to 6 PM



Please remember that **Christmas Day (Nativity of the Lord) & New Year's Day (Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God)** are holy days of obligation. As Catholics, we are obliged to attend Holy Mass on these days, just like Sundays.



Regular Mass Schedule begins on January 2

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