

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

EUCCHARISTIC 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 - 6:50 PM; Saturday: 4:30 - 4:50 PM
Sunday: 9-9:50 AM & 11:20 - 11:50 AM

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.

RCIA

If you know anyone interested in becoming Catholic,
please contact the office.

PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Theresa's Shrine School - 416-393-5248
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, September 2

7:00 pm † For the Unborn (*Sanctity of Life*)
 † Edgar Manuel (*Lizy*)
 † Carmen Donaldson (*Judy Romero*)
 Special Intention for Alejandro Ankrah (*Annis Ankrah*)

Wednesday, September 3

Saint Gregory the Great

7:00 pm † All Souls in Purgatory
 † Edgar Manuel (*Lizy*)
 † Eric Lopez (*Ellie Cifra*)
 † Joseph Malihan (*Remy Naba*)

Thursday, September 4

7:00 pm † Chuchay Tan (*Ellie Cifra*)
 † Edgar Manuel (*Lizy*)
 † Victoria Fuoco (*Mary Taylor*)
 Thanksgiving of Maximo Go

Friday, September 5

7:00 pm † Marie Fernandes (*Lourdes Peter*)
 † Cajetan Lobo (*Lourdes Peter*)
 † Edgar Manuel (*Lizy*)
 Thanksgiving for Sacred Heart of Jesus
 and Immaculate Heart of Mary (*Lourdes Peter*)

Saturday, September 6 (Vigil Mass)

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm † Edgar Manuel (*Lizy*)

Sunday, September 7

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am Parishioners of St Theresa
 12:00 pm † Francis Hazra (*Angelina Hazra*)

Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops Statement on Humanitarian Crisis in Gaza

On August 25, 2025, the Permanent Council of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCCB) issued a statement in response to the ongoing humanitarian crisis in Gaza. The [statement](#) calls attention to the suffering population of Gaza, particularly children and the elderly, whose lives continue to be endangered due to the ongoing violence and severe deprivation, as well as to the mounting casualties on all sides.

The members of the Permanent Council echo Pope Leo XIV's recent statements about the war and they remind the faithful in Canada to fast and pray for lasting peace in the Holy Land.



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER

FOR OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH ALL OF CREATION

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

Labour Day Weekend

Lord, we thank you for the blessing of work.

We ask for strength to complete each day.

We ask for best when we are weary.

We ask that you be with those whose faces we might never see but who work tirelessly each day for the good of us all. Amen.

This weekend marks the end of the summer vacation and the beginning of regular activities in parishes and schools. Once again, all parishioners are encouraged to take active part in the spiritual work of the parish community. **On Labour Day, Monday, September 1, parish office will be closed.**



Let Us Pray FOR THE SICK

Minda Elehino, Leslie Abraham, Vince Aldorasi, Kenneth and Gloria Ritchie, Carmelina Aquino, Jan Melchers, Paul Pinnington, Jim King, Adrian & Marcelle Britto, Derek Dalton, Gordon Giblin, Paul & Vivian Potter, Sally Baker, Norma Salmingo, Paul & Monica Brewster



Light A Sanctuary Candle

Offering: \$20.00

WEEK OF AUGUST 31-SEPTEMBER 6

Blessed Sacrament: † Chijioke Okoye

Blessed Virgin Mary: _____

“Seeds of Peace and Hope” World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation 2025.

The theme “**Seeds of Peace and Hope**” marks the **10th anniversary** of the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, coinciding with the **Jubilee Year: Pilgrims of Hope** and the publication of **Laudato Si’**.

The metaphor of seeds reflects **renewal, transformation, and spiritual growth**, inspired by Jesus’ teachings (cf. Jn 12:24).

SPIRITUAL & ECOLOGICAL MESSAGE

- The message draws from **Isaiah’s prophecy** about the Spirit bringing renewal, aligning with the **Season of Creation** (Sept 1–Oct 4).
- Pope Francis emphasizes that **environmental justice** is not abstract—it’s a **moral and faith-based duty**, especially as the poor suffer most from climate change and ecological degradation.

CALL TO ACTION

- Believers are called to **care for creation** as an act of faith and justice.
- The “**Borgo Laudato Si’**” project at Castel Gandolfo is highlighted as a model of **integral ecology**, showing how communities can live sustainably and harmoniously.
- The late Pope Francis urges everyone to “**till and keep**” the **garden of the world** (cf. Gen 2:15), promoting a respectful and nurturing relationship between humanity and nature.
- Pope Leo XIV invites people to seize the unique opportunity to **till and keep** the garden of the world (cf. Gen 2:15). So, work, care, protect and preserve the soil, based on mutual respect between human beings and nature.

COLLECTION REPORT AUGUST 23-24	
Offertory (incl. \$50 TipTap)	2,306.65
Pre-Authorized (Offertory & Renovation)	600.00
Renovation Fund	130.00
Mass Stipends	30.00
Candles (incl. \$65 TipTap)	293.15
Total Weekly income \$	3,359.80
Estimated Weekly Expenses	4,500.00
Deficit/Surplus \$	-1,140.20
Shrine Wall Project	
Week's Collection (incl. \$20 TipTap)	1,065.00
Online Donations July 23 - Aug 26	11,575.00
Total Collection to date\$	154,444.00

DINE FOR THE SHRINE. AN APPEAL FOR SUPPORT

Parishioners are encouraged to support the restoration and join in community celebration. The event is a chance to come together in faith and fellowship while contributing to a meaningful cause.

Purpose

- The parish has launched the **Shrine Wall Project**, a capital campaign to restore the **60-year-old church exterior**, including:
 - Stucco walls
 - Bell tower
 - Roof repairs

Fundraising Event: Dine for the Shrine

Date: Saturday, September 20, 2025

Location: Qssis Banquet Hall (Kingston & Markham Rd)

Cost:

- \$100 per person
- \$900 for a table of 10
- **Includes:** Dinner, music, dancing, raffles, and door prizes

Ticket Info

Available:

- After weekend masses
 - At the parish office
 - Online via parish website or QR code on posters
- Payment methods: Cash, cheque, debit, or credit
- **Deadline to purchase:** September 12



TOONIE SUNDAY

We need your help to help our neighbours!

Our St. Vincent de Paul Conference is struggling to meet the needs of our neighbors. Financial reserves are quickly depleting. To boost resources, we are having **"TOONIE SUNDAY" this weekend**. If everyone could contribute an extra toonie after Mass, it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your support!

Welcome Back-to-School

On Tuesday **Sept. 2**, classes for all levels will begin. Let us welcome all students who have registered, especially, at St. Theresa's Shrine and St. John Newman High School. We hope and pray that they will have another safe, fun-filled and productive year of learning ahead. Let us also pray for the teachers. They need our support and cooperation in supporting them in their responsibility of educating the children and nurturing the spirit of faith.

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