

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: 9:00 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
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.

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, December 9

7:00 pm † Barbara Haynes (*Claire & Rod Barrozo*)
 † Jo Andrew (*Theresa Leggio*)
 Healing for Pilar Shembri (*Madeleine Franco*)

Wednesday, December 10

7:00 pm † All Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, December 11

7:00 pm † Fredrick (Fred) Wakeham (*Wakeham Family*)

Friday, December 12

Our Lady of Guadalupe

7:00 pm † Alejandro Libaque (*Libaque Family*)
 Special Intention of Anngaline Spencer
 Thanksgiving for Blessings Received (*Pert and Rosie Manosca*)

Saturday, December 13 (Vigil Mass)

Third Sunday of Advent

5:00 pm Parishioners of St Theresa's Church

Sunday, December 14

Third Sunday of Advent

10:00 am † Avelino Beloso (*Beloso Family*)
 12:00 noon † Wilfrido Paragas (*Belen Bayawa*)



Let Us Pray

FOR THE SICK

Teresa Kath, Ashley Brewster, Jim King, Rob Witherspoon, Trina Ryan, Sophy McDonald, Sean Hayes, Baby Corazon de Villa, Emily Cooper, Margaret Swain, Minda Elehino, Jan Melchers, Adrian & Marcelle Britto, Gordon Giblin, Paul Potter, Sally Baker, Norma Salmingo

Light A Sanctuary Candle

Offering: \$20.00

WEEK OF DECEMBER 7-13, 2025

Blessed Sacrament:

† Longin Mirkowski

Blessed Virgin Mary:

Thanksgiving of Teresa Kath



Advent Prayer

Week 2: Hope

Light the 2nd Purple Candle



God, in faith we find hope.

As we light the candles of faith and hope, we remember and believe in your promises to us. We give you all our struggles this day. May we always find our hope and help in your Son, Jesus. Amen.

Advent and Decorations

Advent is the four weeks before Christmas, starting the Sunday nearest November 30. It means **“coming”** and **is a time of spiritual preparation for Christ's birth and His return.** Its themes—hope, peace, joy, and love—are symbolized by the Advent wreath and candles.

Why you should wait to decorate

Advent focuses on waiting and reflection. Full Christmas décor too early can overshadow this. Many follow a gradual approach:

- **Week 1:** Advent wreath and candles
- **Later weeks:** Nativity (without Baby Jesus), greenery, lights
- **Christmas Eve/Day:** Complete decorations

Symbols:

- Wreath: Eternity and everlasting life
- Colors: Purple (penance), Pink (joy)

This tradition keeps Christ at the center, not the commercial rush.

Join Us for the Holy Rosary During Advent!

We invite you to gather with us to pray the Holy Rosary on Saturdays and Sundays throughout Advent. The Rosary will be prayed 20 minutes before the Mass.


Let's come together in prayer and reflection.

TEEN BIBLE STUDY

Three Wednesdays in December
 at 7:30PM in Ave Maria Room
 December 3, 10 and 17

Please help us reduce the spread of colds and flu this season. Please do not leave used tissue in the pews!
 Your co-operation in keeping our church clean will be greatly appreciated.

Christmas and New Year Schedule (2025)

DATE AND TIME	FEAST/ PARISH EVENT	NOTES
Tuesday DEC. 16 7:30PM	Parish Advent Confessions 9 Priests available	St Therese Novena is cancelled
Wednesday DEC. 24 5PM Mass	Christmas Eve Masses	Holy Day of Obligation
10PM Mass		
Thursday DEC. 25 10AM Mass	Christmas Day Masses 	Holy Day of Obligation
12NOON Mass		
Friday DEC. 26 10AM Mass	St Stephen's Mass	Exposition & 7PM Mass are Cancelled
Saturday DEC. 27 5PM Vigil Mass	Solemnity of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph	
Sunday DEC. 28 10AM Mass 12NOON Mass		
Wednesday DEC. 31 5PM Vigil Mass (New Year's Eve)	Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God <i>World Day Peace</i>	Holy Day of Obligation
Thursday JAN. 1 10AM Mass (No 12NOON Mass)		

Regular Schedule Starting Friday, January 2

- ❖ **Eucharistic Adoration: 12 NOON – 6PM**
- ❖ **Friday Devotion and Mass: 7:00PM**

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Test

Month of December

Contact Fr Simon for Test appointment.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

First Test

Month of December

Contact Fr Simon for Test appointment.



SSVP CHRISTMAS OUTREACH

Help us share the joy of Christmas with families in need in our community.

We invite you to support our outreach through donations of:

Monetary contributions (cash or cheque)

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Your generosity will help provide food and essentials this holiday season. For a tax receipt, please use a grey SSVP envelope. Receipts will be issued in February 2026.

Please give donations to the ushers at the weekend Mass. Thank you for your prayers and continued support of our mission to make a difference.

TIP TAP

If you would like to make a gift to the parish with your debit/credit card, please see the device in the foyer.

A simple tap on the device with a debit or credit card is all it takes.



Donation Envelopes for 2026



The 2026 Donation Envelopes are now available for pick up at the church entrance. **PLEASE REMEMBER, DO NOT USE THE ENVELOPES BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2026.**

Contact the office if you wish to begin using envelopes or for more information on our **Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)** or **online donations using credit card**.

Thank you for your constant generosity & support to our parish throughout the years.

COLLECTION REPORT NOVEMBER 29 & 30	
Offertory (incl. \$200 TipTap)	2,599.40
Pre-Authorized (Offertory & Renovation)	600.00
Renovation Fund	30.00
Mass Stipends	10.00
Candles (plus \$110 TipTap)	366.70
All Souls	205.00
Total Weekly income \$	3,811.10
Estimated Weekly Expenses	4,500.00
Deficit/Surplus \$	-\$688.90
Archdiocesan Collection	
Shepherd's Trust	100.00
Humanitarian Relief	100.00
Shrine Wall Project	
Week's Collection (incl. \$20 TipTap)	540.00
Total Collection to date \$	180,255.49
Sunday Missals	29.80

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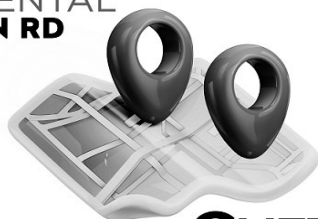
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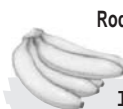


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