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St. Theresa's Parish

Shrine of the Little Flower

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SHRINE OF THE LITTLE FLOWER

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;
- Scarborough Cres. (dead end street in front of the church)
 east side only;
- 3. Kingston Rd. north and south sides on weekends;
- 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
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:	
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Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, December 16

7:00 pm & Avelino Beleso (Beloso Family)

Wednesday, December 17

7:00 pm & All Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, December 18

7:00 pm P Rodrigo Flores (Felicitas Flores)

Friday, December 19

7:00 pm & Rogelio Aguilan (Arnanie Aguilan)

Saturday, December 20 (Vigil Mass)

Fourth Sunday of Advent

5:00 pm Special Intention for James Family (Dcn Victor Valdes)

Sunday, December 21

Fourth Sunday of Advent

10:00 am Parishioners of St Theresa's Church

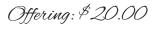
12:00 noon ⊕ Carmelo Cornacchia (Cornacchia Family)



Let Us Pray

Carmelina Aquino, Teresa Kath, Ashley Brewster, Jim King, 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



WEEK OF DECEMBER 14-20, 2025

Blessed Sacrament:

Lilia E McFarlane
Blessed Virgin Mary:.....

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION and SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

First Test

Month of December
Contact Fr Simon for Test appointment

Closing Mass for the Holy Year of Jubilee

You're Invited! Join us for the Closing Mass of the Holy Year of Jubilee on Sunday, **December 28, 2025, at 5:00 PM at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica.** The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 3:30–4:45 PM. Details on local and regional celebrations at designated pilgrimage churches will be announced soon.

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



Christmas New Year Schedule



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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
Thursday DEC. 25 10AM Mass 12NOON Mass	Christmas Day Masses	Obligation
Friday DEC. 26 10AM Mass	St Stephen's Mass	Exposition & 7PM Mass are Cancelled
Saturday DEC. 27 5PM Vigil Mass Sunday DEC. 28 10AM Mass 12NOON Mass	Solemnity of The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph	
Wednesday DEC. 31 5PM Vigil Mass Thursday JAN.1 10AM Mass (No 12NOON Mass)	Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God World Day Peace	Holy Day of Obligation

SSVP'S Annual Christmas Outreach

St. Theresa Shrine's Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is still seeking donations to support our neighbors. Needed items include:

Monetary contributions (cash or cheque) \$25 PC® Gift Cards \$25 Walmart® Gift Cards

Please drop off your donation to an usher at any weekend Mass in November or return it to the parish office. For a tax receipt in February 2025, use a grey St. Vincent de Paul envelope and include your name and address. Thank you for your prayers and support!

It is not from your own goods that you give to the beggar; it is a portion of his own that you are restoring to him. The earth belongs to all.

So, you are paying back a debt and think you are making a gift to which you are not bound.

— St Ambrose

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.

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CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE MASS with Bishop John Boissonneau Feb. 8, 2026 at 2:30 PM

As part of Marriage Sunday 2026 celebrations, Bishop John Boissonneau will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2026. The Mass will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 8, 2026 at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St., Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass.

All are welcome to attend. Reserved seating is available for couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary in 2026. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. 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. Registration and other important information can be found at www.archtoronto.org/marriage.



Guidelines for Using Offertory Envelopes

Offertory envelopes for 2026 are available at the church entrance. Please take the box with your name. To help volunteers and ensure accurate posting, kindly follow these guidelines:

- 1. Indicate or encircle your donation amount.
- 2. For the first month, write your name and contact info.
- 3. If making up for missed weeks, put the total in one envelope using the latest date.
- 4. For Special Collections, include your envelope number or name/address if unnumbered.
- 5. If you forgot your envelope, use a **love offering or pink visitors' envelope** and write your details.
- 6. Avoid staples, glue, excess tape, or stickers.
- Do not use old envelopes (2025 or earlier), as numbers may have changed. Dispose of them properly.

For new envelopes, **Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)**, or online donations, contact the parish office. Thank you for your generosity and support!

COLLECTION REPORT DECEMBER 6 & 7		
Offertory (incl. \$130 TipTap)	2,422.00	
Pre-Authorized (Offertory & Renovation)	600.00	
Renovation Fund	883.00	
Mass Stipends	80.00	
Candles (plus \$95 TipTap)	384.05	
Christmas Flowers	20.00	
Christmas Offering	40.00	
First Holy Communion	100.00	
Total Weekly income \$	4,529.05	
Estimated Weekly Expenses	4,500.00	
Deficit/Surplus \$	29.05	
Archdiocesan Collection		
Shepherd's Trust	100.00	
Humanitarian Relief	5.00	
Shrine Wall Project		
Week's Collection	100.00	
Total Collection to date \$	180,355.49	

Let's Keep Our Church Healthy and Welcoming

As we enter cold and flu season, we kindly ask for your help in keeping our church a safe and clean space for everyone.

Please dispose of used tissues properly—do not leave them in the pews. Kindly refrain from bringing food or drinks into the church.

Your cooperation helps create a comfortable and respectful environment for all. Thank you for caring for our community!

Debbie Mitchell

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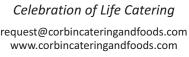


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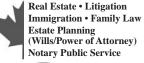
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