

St. Theresa's Parish

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, July 19 (Private Mass)

✠ Alan Pinder (*Daphne King*)

Tuesday, July 20 (Livestreamed)

7:00 pm ✠ Abner Tagle (*Evelyn Chia-Tameta*)

✠ Rosario Fe Benito (*Amelia Fe Benito*)

✠ Ferdinand Natividad (*Natividad & Fontanilla family*)

Wednesday, July 21 (Livestreamed)

7:00 pm ✠ Rosario Fe Benito (*Amelia Fe Benito*)

✠ Anatalio & Juanita Bergonia (*Agnes Valdez & family*)

✠ Carmine Aldorasi (*Antonietta Macri*)

Thursday, July 22 (Private Mass)

✠ Belle Cacalda (*Monsod & Cacalda family*)

Friday, July 23 (Livestreamed)

7:00 pm Birthday and Thanksgiving of Terence Thomas
(*Ahilia Thomas*)

✠ Francisco Corpuz, Sr. (*Grace Magtangod*)

✠ Ivania Maria Bonilla (*Peter & Helen Quirke*)

Saturday, July 24 (Livestreamed)

5:00 pm ✠ Bogdan Durek (*Irene Durek*)

Sunday, July 25 (Livestreamed)

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am Birthday & Thanksgiving of Marita Enriquez

✠ Maria Celia Franco (*Medeleine Franco*)

RESERVE YOUR SEAT TO ATTEND SUNDAY MASS.
REGISTRATION IS THROUGH [EVENTBRITE](https://www.eventbrite.com).

FOR THE WEEKDAY MASSES, REGISTRATION IS
THROUGH THE PARISH OFFICE.
MASS TIME IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

Confessions

By Appointment Only

Baptisms

Every Fourth Sunday of the month

Preparation Class – By appointment only

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

(416) 393-5519

TCDSB – (416) 222-8282 ext. 5314

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(416) 934-0606 • www.archtoronto.org

Parish Outreach

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

(416) 261-7498 ext. 4



Let Us Pray for Our Sick

Rosie Jane Rocha, Frederick Lopez, Danny and Pamela Dupley, Marisyl and Ariel Lagrason, Lilibeth Koochi, Rolando Abanilla, Salvacion Lingad, Adam Jane Villalon, Shirley Baker, Madeliene Franco, Sophy McDonald, Bobby Melchers, Gail MacEachern, Jolanta Mirkowski-Paszal, Rene Romero, Jane Frias Eigo, Delio Pellicione, Elizabeth Callaghan, James Halder, Phyllis Randolph, Caroline Maiden, Danny Gomes, Karlos Ebcas, Chona Sunico

For the Dead

Jane Corry, Vincenza Caruso, Agnes Brewster,
Basil Scala, William 'Bill' Austin, Romeo Barroso,
Ivania Maria Bonilla

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME -- JULY 18, 2021

First Reading

Jeremiah 23:1-6

The Lord promises to shepherd his people, Israel.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalms 23:1-3,3-4,5,6

The Lord is our shepherd.

Second Reading

Ephesians 2:13-18

Christ has reconciled us with God and united us in peace.

Gospel Reading

Mark 6:30-34

Jesus invites his disciples to rest after their ministry, and Jesus is moved with pity for the crowds who pursue them.

FAMILY CONNECTION

Family demands can make us feel like Jesus and the twelve apostles. We wish for times of relaxation and renewal, but there are errands to do, household chores to keep up with, volunteer commitments to keep. These are all good things, but we can be left feeling drained and tired as we try to keep up. Perhaps we might take the opportunity this week to give ourselves permission to find the rest and relaxation that Jesus seeks for his disciples in today's Gospel. One of the gifts we can give to one another in our family life is assistance in finding the time and space to renew ourselves through prayer.

When you gather as a family this week, bring your family calendar. Together review your family calendar and spend some time reflecting on your family activities. Ask if your family has an appropriate amount of time for rest and relaxation. If not, discuss ways in which this time for renewal might be included in the week ahead. Read together today's Gospel, Mark 6:30-34. Notice how Jesus tried to find time and space for his disciples to rest and relax after they returned from their mission. Conclude in prayer together, asking God to help us find time to renew ourselves so that we might be better disciples of Jesus. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.

(Taken from www.loyolapress.com)

One Flock: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

As the Twelve return from their first missionary journey in today's Gospel, our readings continue to reflect on the authority and mission of the Church.

Jeremiah says in the First Reading that Israel's leaders, through godlessness and fanciful teachings, had misled and scattered God's people. He promises God will send a shepherd, a king and son of David, to gather the lost sheep and appoint for them new shepherds (see [Ezekiel 34:23](#)).

The crowd gathering on the green grass (see [Mark 6:39](#)) in today's Gospel is the start of the remnant that Jeremiah promised would be brought back to the meadow of Israel. The people seem to sense that Jesus is the Lord, the good shepherd (see [John 10:11](#)), the king they've been waiting for (see [Hosea 3:1-5](#)).

Jesus is moved to pity, seeing them as sheep without a shepherd. This phrase was used by Moses to describe Israel's need for a shepherd to succeed him (see [Numbers 27:17](#)). And as Moses appointed Joshua, Jesus appointed the Twelve to continue shepherding His people on earth.

Jesus had said there were other sheep who did not belong to Israel's fold but would hear His voice and be joined to the one flock of the one shepherd (see [John 10:16](#)).

In God's plan, the Church is to seek out first the lost sheep of the house of Israel and then to bring all nations into the fold (see [Acts 13:36](#); [Romans 1:16](#)). Paul, too, in today's Epistle, sees the Church as a new creation, in which those nations who were once far off from God are joined as "one new person" with the children of Israel.

As we sing in today's Psalm, through the Church, the Lord, our good shepherd, still leads people to the verdant pastures of the kingdom, to the restful waters of baptism; He still anoints with the oil of confirmation, and spreads the Eucharistic table before all people, filling their cups to overflowing.

(Taken from *Breaking the Bread*, [Sunday Bible Reflections – St. Paul Center \(stpaulcenter.com\)](#))

2021 ShareLife Parish Campaign

Thank you for living the Gospel by providing for those in need. To date, our parish has raised \$28,000 or 77% toward our goal of \$36,400.00.

*Thank you to the Sponsors
of this week's livestreaming of M *

John and Carmela Aldorasi
Michael and Brigid McQuinn



Thank You for Your Offering

Offertory: \$1263.00 Renovation: \$1270.00

St. Theresa's Parish is always grateful and appreciates your generosity and continuing support.

August 7 - 8, 2021: Bundle-Up Collection for the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

Your donation of clothing & small household goods is greatly appreciated. Kindly bring your donations only on the designated date of collections.



Call for Volunteers!

Have you thought about serving your parish as an usher, a cleaner, a lector, a choir member, an altar server, or a member of another ministry? St. Theresa's has volunteer roles that make our parish life truly vibrant.

Contact the parish office if you'd like to get started in one of our opportunities soon. A Sign-Up sheet is also available in the vestibule.

Ontario's Step 3 Re-Opening Plan

On Friday, July 16, 2021, Ontario will enter Step 3 of the provincial government's re-opening plan. For St Theresa's Parish, starting on July 16, this will mean:

- ✓ **WorshipSafe guidelines remain in place.** Wearing a mask is required inside the church.
- ✓ **Registration through Eventbrite is required to attend Sunday Mass.**
- ✓ **Two metres (six feet) of physical distancing will still be required between parishioners who are not from the same household. This physical distancing requirement means that we will not see significant increases in capacity. Contact tracing information should also be recorded.**
- ✓ Only parish events or meetings in our parish hall are permitted in Step 3. Attendance may not exceed 50 people. Participants must be masked and physically distanced. Contact tracing information should also be recorded. Providing food at meetings is discouraged at this time.
- ✓ Congregational singing is not permitted in Stage 3.
- ✓ Livestreamed Masses will continue to be offered in our parish.
- ✓ The dispensation from the Sunday obligation continues. Those who are vulnerable to COVID-19 are encouraged to exercise caution about any outings, including attending church. Virtual meetings may still replace in-person meetings where appropriate.
- ✓ Parish Office Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 1 pm to 6 pm. Please contact the parish office by phone or email for an appointment. Office hours is subject to change.

Please see <https://bit.ly/ArchTorontoStep3> to learn what Step 3 means for other churches in the Archdiocese of Toronto. [#catholicTO](#)

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