

# St. Theresa's Parish

## Shrine of the Little Flower

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### Mass Intentions for the Week

**Monday, November 8 (Private Mass)**

**Tuesday, November 9 (View Mass Livestreamed)**

**The Dedication of the Lateral Basilica**

7:00 pm Special Intention for the Fanaras family  
(Betty Chan)

**Wednesday, November 10 (View Mass Livestreamed)**

**Saint Leo the Great**

7:00 pm † Mervyn Rocha (Louisa Lopez & family)  
† Pedro & Federico Tan (Manosca, Cadiz & Tan family)  
† Rosita Puertollano Tan (Manosca, Cadiz & Tan family)

**Thursday, November 11 (View Mass Livestreamed)**

**Saint Martin**

7:00 pm Anniversary Blessings for Jacinto & Minda Elegino  
(Lysle Kintanar)

**Friday, November 12 (View Mass Livestreamed)**

**Saint Josaphat**

7:00 pm Birthday & Thanksgiving for Noah Theiss  
(Amelia PeBenito)  
Special Intention for Yin Yan Chan (Betty Chan)  
† Joseph & Ann Lin  
† Fr Albert Macalipay (Josie Keele)

**Saturday, November 13 (View Mass Livestreamed)**

**Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini**

5:00 pm † Maria & Nicholas Predko Mikolaj  
(Daughter & family)  
† Areopagita Agorilla (Claire Barrozo)  
Birthday of Ana Teresa Duragos

**Sunday, November 14 (View Mass Livestreamed)**

**Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

10:00 am † Gary David (Margaret David & family)

**VIEW MASS LIVESTREAM**

### Confessions

By Appointment Only

### Baptisms

Every Second & Fourth Saturday 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  
St. John Henry Newman Catholic School (416) 393-5519  
TCDSB – (416) 222-8282 ext. 5314

### Archdiocese of Toronto

(416) 934-0606 • [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org)

Parish Outreach

### Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

(416) 261-7498 ext. 4

### **Office Hours (Subject to Change)**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday  
9am – 12 noon & 1pm – 3pm



### Let Us Pray for Our Sick

Linda Rodgers, Leticia Tan Ching, Tony Burford, Hal McCullough, Valerie Trutwein, Anton & Bobby Melchers, Rosie Jane Rocha, Frederick Lopez, Danny & Pamela Dupley, Adam Jane Villalon, Shirley Baker, Madeleine Franco, Sophy McDonald, Gail MacEachern, Jolanta Mirkowski-Paszal, Rene Romero, Jane Frias Eigo, Elizabeth Callaghan, James Halder, Phyllis Randolph, Danny Gomes, Karlos Ebcas

### **For the Deceased**

Tom Wenz, Danny Gomes

# THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, NOVEMBER 7, 2021

## First Reading

1 Kings 17:10-16

Through Elijah, a widow and her son are blest with enough flour and oil to supply them for a year.

## Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 146:7,8-9 9-10

A prayer of praise to God who raises up the lowly

## Second Reading

Hebrews 9:24-28

Christ died once to take away sin; he will return again to bring salvation.

## Gospel Reading

Mark 12:38-44 (shorter form, Mark 12:41-44)

Jesus notices a poor widow's offering and commends her great sacrifice.

## Background on the Gospel Reading

The context for today's Gospel continues to be mounting tension between Jesus and the Jewish authorities. Mark reports some of Jesus' teaching in the Temple area in today's reading and in the preceding verses not included in our Lectionary sequence. In the first part of today's Gospel, we hear Jesus warn the crowds not to follow the example of the scribes in seeking honor and attention from others. It is important to recall that Mark indicates that Jesus taught these things while in the vicinity of the Temple in Jerusalem. Mark is setting the stage for Jesus' passion.

Jesus then observes how Jewish pilgrims are making their contributions to the temple treasury. The Temple in Jerusalem was the center of Jewish worship in the time of Jesus. It was expected that observant Jews would make pilgrimages to the Temple to offer prayer and sacrifices. Pilgrims were also expected to make a financial contribution to the temple treasury.

As we would expect to be the case, Jesus observes that those who were rich contributed large sums to the treasury. Those with less means made smaller contributions. A similar situation exists in most of our parishes as well. Jesus calls attention, however, to a poor widow who makes the smallest of contributions—two coins of little value. Jesus upholds the poor widow's offering for his disciples' consideration, commending her because her small offering was an act of profound generosity, giving from her livelihood rather than her surplus.

To give from our livelihood is not only an act of generosity, it is also an act of trust in God. We can only give from our need if we trust that God will provide for us. Jesus himself demonstrates the ultimate act of generosity and trust in God as he gives his life for us on the cross.

(Text taken from [www.loyolapress.com](http://www.loyolapress.com))

## Book of Life

During this month, the *Book of Life* will be displayed in front of the Altar. You are invited to write the names of your departed loved ones in advance. They will be remembered at all masses that are celebrated in our church this month.

The forms are available at the vestibule. You may bring back the form when you come to church for Mass. You can also send the list by mail, email [st-theresa@rogers.com](mailto:st-theresa@rogers.com), or by visiting the parish office.

## Annual Memorial Mass for Departed Parishioners November 19 at 7 PM



This year, the Memorial Mass is offered to parishioners whose funeral was held here from November 2020 to present. A candle will be lit by a member of their family at the Memorial Mass.

Families of departed parishioners whose funerals were not held in our church are also welcome to join the memorial mass. Kindly call the parish office before Monday, Nov.10<sup>th</sup> so that we could include the names of those deceased parishioners in the list.

## Shepherd's Trust Collection, Nov 13/14



The Shepherds' Trust collection will take place in all parishes in the Archdiocese on the weekend of November 13/14. This fund does more than just to support our priests in their retirement years. It is a tangible way to care for those who always cared for us and give thanks for the blessings we have received through them. The Shepherds' Trust ensures our priests can live their retirement years with dignity. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

## Thank You for Your Offering

Offertory: \$1,127.00

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

*Delio and Ruth Pellicione  
Angela Iozzo  
Margaret David*

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Due to ill health, our pastor, Fr Ben Ebcas, Jr has requested for a health leave.

Cardinal Thomas Collins has graciously accepted it and has appointed Fr Simon de Gale as our new pastor effective Monday, November 8, 2021.

When Fr Ben is able to come back to the parish, a proper thanksgiving and farewell Mass will be celebrated in our parish. Let us all pray for Fr Ben's health.

## Registration for the First Holy Communion and Confirmation Program

The Registration for Preparation for FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION has started.

### REQUIREMENTS TO REGISTER

First Holy Communion	Confirmation
Baptized in a Catholic Church	Baptized & have received the Sacrament of Communion
7 years or older (Grade 2 students)	13 years or older (Grade 7 students)
Regular Mass attendance	
Registration Deadline	
Tuesday, November 30, 2021	

Registration forms are available at the parish office and downloadable from the [parish website](#).



**Remembrance Day  
November 11**

## Support our SSVP Christmas Outreach



Let us continue to support the SSVP's Christmas outreach this year. The program provides assistance to individuals and families in our community who are in need.

In these COVID times, more people than ever need help with food and with a reminder that their neighbours do care about them. SSVP will be mailing out in early December food vouchers for No Frills and gift cards for food.

You can bring in your donation of cash, a cheque or gift cards to the parish office or to the SSVP Christmas box at the back of the church. If you enclose your donation in the Society's grey envelope, we can issue you a tax receipt next February.

Thank you for helping SSVP respond to the needs of those in our community who are less fortunate.

## Offering Envelopes for 2022

For our new and existing parishioners, the parish has reduced the number of offertory boxes ordered for 2022. **Holders of Offertory Box numbers 351 and up will be assigned a new number.**



The Offertory Boxes will be available for pick up in December.

## Please Update Your Parish Record

The parish office is in the process of updating the parish database in preparation for the **offertory envelopes for next year and the tax receipts**. Please advise the parish office if any of the following occurs:

- You have a change of address or phone number.
- You are moving out of the parish.
- You would like to use (or no longer want to use) offertory envelopes.

*Don't forget... the clock "falls back"  
an hour on Sunday, Nov. 7th, as Daylight  
Saving Time ends.*

