
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH

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Served by the Fathers of the Oratory



SUNDAY MASSES:

5:00 p.m. Saturday (Sunday liturgy)
8:30 a.m. English Mass
9:30 a.m. Low Mass
(Usus antiquior/1962 Missal)
11:00 a.m. Sung English Mass
12:30 p.m. Sung Mass
Catholic Parish of St. Thomas More
(Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter)

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
Before every Mass on Sundays
Daily for 15 minutes before all Masses.

WEEKDAY MASS:

8:00 a.m. Monday - Friday
10:00 a.m. Saturday

MARRIAGES:

Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance. They must also receive personal preparation for entering marriage. If either party has previously gone through any form of civil or religious marriage with another person, the priest is not permitted to set a date for the wedding until the Bishop's office has been consulted.

BAPTISMS: On Sundays by appointment.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY: 647-727-8758

PARISH CHOIR DIRECTOR:

Mr. Peter Bishop: 416-535-7646

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES:

(Archdiocese of Toronto): 416-733-8544

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

There is a special link on the Oratory website [here](#) with details about various Covid-19 protocols. Please check the link for latest updates.

Among the things to note: the church is open for prayer, for a maximum of ten persons at a time. Public Masses have been suspended. Here is the schedule. Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 5:00p.m. and Sunday 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. On Sunday morning, the church will be closed from 10:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. for livestreaming of Mass within the church. The Fathers of the Oratory are livestreaming two Masses daily from one of our chapels, one in English and one in Latin. Here at St Vincent's, we will have an hour of confessions Friday from 11:00 a.m. to noon, Saturday 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday 10:00 to 10:30 a.m. The parish office is open with reduced hours to the public.

We are required under the city of Toronto by-law to wear masks in church, unless we are exempted. Sanitizing materials are available in the church for you to sanitize the place where you are praying. We recommend that you sanitize both upon your arrival and your departure.

RCIA & BIBLE STUDY CLASSES

These programs are continuing online. If you would like to take part, please send an email to mail@oratory-toronto.org

EMAIL LIST

Are you receiving emails from the parish priest? If not, it will be difficult for us to notify you of last minute news about the ever evolving Covid situation. Recipients of these emails do not see one another's addresses, so you do not have to worry about your privacy. If you want to be added to the list, please send an e-mail to dutrecht@yahoo.ca with "Add me" in the subject line.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Note: Announced Masses that have been booked for a specific day and are listed here WILL be offered on the day for which they were booked.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 14

St. John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor
Gord Nixon

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15

Bl. Anthony Grassi of the Oratory, Priest

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16

Isabel DeCouto

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17

Paul Richard Matthieu, req. by Daphne

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18

Kate Murphy, req. by Pat Russo

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19

(+) Friends and relatives of parishioners

(+) Anthony & (+) Katherine Presz, req. by their son, John Anthony

PARISH FINANCES FOR DECEMBER 6

Offertory Collection: \$575

Maintenance & Debt: \$880

CanadaHelps – online: \$96.38

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

Normally at this time we would be having a collection in the parish to support the work of the Society of St Vincent de Paul for the needy in our area. This is needed more than ever this year. If you can help, please send an envelope to the parish with the donation clearly indicated for the Society of St Vincent de Paul.

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2020 TAX RECEIPTS

All donations for 2020 tax receipts must be given by December 31, 2020.

2021 SACRAMENTS

Registration for First Confession and Communion, and Confirmation, is now taking place online.

Go online to www.oratory-toronto.org. Click St Vincent de Paul, click Catechesis and Sacraments and follow the links to print the Registration form. Please fill out the form, scan it, and send it to dutrecht@yahoo.ca.

First Confession and First Holy Communion classes are for children in Grade 2 or older.

Confirmation is conferred in the Archdiocese of Toronto in Grade 7 (or later), for those who have not been confirmed).

At the moment, the Covid restrictions prevent us from beginning live classes. We will see whether it looks like those restrictions will be lifted. If not, we will plan another way to help your children prepare for these Sacraments.

BLESSED ANTHONY GRASSI, PRAY FOR US!

*Excerpt from a Letter of Alfonso Cardinal
Capecelatro, Cong.Orat., Rome 24 May 1900*

The Venerable Antonio Grassi, of the Congregation of the Oratory of St Philip, is rightly deemed to have been a most loyal friend and indefatigable servant of Christ. For he, during a lifetime of eighty years, was so richly nourished by God with the bread of life and understanding and the cup of saving water of wisdom, that day by day he co-operated more faithfully with the gifts of God's grace, considering his one concern to be in conformity with the image of the Son of God. He was thus so marked with holiness, particularly in his prayer and divine worship, his forgetfulness of self and zeal for the salvation of souls, that the serious and learned men of his time thought him a real follower of Philip Neri and asked for his prayers and advice on matters divine. He indeed showed himself in every way to be a distinguished follower of St Philip.

Today is known as Gaudete Sunday. The term Gaudete refers to the first word of the Entrance Antiphon, "Rejoice". Rose vestments are worn to emphasize our joy that Christmas is near, and we also light the rose candle on our home Advent wreath.

2021 BOX OF ENVELOPES

You may pick up your box of envelopes from the parish office. The office is open with reduced hours. Please call 416-535-7646 to make an appointment to pick your box of envelopes.

CHRISTMAS NOVENA

(Said every day from December 16-24)

Hail, and blessed be the hour and moment at which the Son of God was born of a most pure Virgin, at a stable at midnight, in Bethlehem in the piercing cold. At that hour vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, to hear my prayers and grant my desires (*mention request here*). Through Jesus Christ and His most Blessed Mother.

WAYS YOU CAN DONATE TO THE PARISH:

Thank you to all who have been generously donating to the parish. God bless you for it.

1. Your Sunday offerings can be mailed to St Vincent de Paul Parish / 263 Roncesvalles Avenue / Toronto / M6R 2L9 or dropped off in the mail slot of the parish office.
2. You can sign up for PAG. Download the form www.oratory-toronto.org/pdf/pag-svp.pdf. Print it. And then send a picture or scan of the filled-in form and a void cheque to this address or to spnsvp@yahoo.ca
3. You can donate online either through the Oratory's website www.oratory-toronto.org or through the Archdiocesan website: www.archtoronto.org If using the latter option, please use the dropdown menu of parish names to select "St Vincent de Paul".
4. You can donate through your online banking account. To do this, the Archdiocese will need to send you a unique account number. Please send an email to campaign@archtoronto.org In the body of the email provide (i) Your name (ii) Address (iii) Parish Name – St Vincent de Paul and (iv) Municipality – Toronto. You will be emailed account information which you can use to set up the Archdiocese of Toronto as a Payee in your online banking. Your gift will be forwarded to our parish. You can make a one time or recurring gift to our offertory.



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