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# ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH

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Served by the Fathers of the Oratory



(1581 - 1660)

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## 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

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

We are now in Step 3 of the Province's reopening regulations. Because of the 6' distancing rule, we are keeping our capacity limit at 90 persons.

Registration is still necessary for Sunday Masses, but not for the Saturday afternoon Mass or if you wish to attend the Mass of our sister parish, St Thomas More. If you know parishioners who are not tech savvy, please feel free to sign them up, or ask them to call the Oratory (416 532-2879) between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. beginning on Wednesdays so that we can sign them up. Please note that you can deregister yourself in case you are feeling sick or need to change your plans.

There will be Confessions before all Masses, and we will continue to have Confessions on Friday morning from 11 a.m. to 12 noon

**We are required under the city of Toronto by-law to wear masks in church, unless you are exempted. Sanitizing materials are available in the church for you to sanitize the place where you are praying. If a pew is not going to be used again within an hour it does not need to be sanitized. Sanitizing, therefore, will not be needed Monday to Saturday, but will be needed on Sunday.**

#### 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](mailto:dutrecht@yahoo.ca) with "Add me" in the subject line.

#### SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

At our parish, the Society has been visiting homes and handing out food vouchers to those families in need. You can help, by becoming a volunteer member or donate financially to this cause at our parish. Please keep the members of the Society in your prayers.

#### FORMED.ORG

A free Catholic media service!

There are many Catholic resources for all ages throughout the seasons of the year. Sign-up is easy. Go to <https://formed.org/signup> and find Holy Family, Toronto.

#### MASS INTENTIONS

##### MONDAY, AUGUST 23

**St. Rose of Lima**

8:00 (+) Aurea Fernandes

##### TUESDAY, AUGUST 24

**St. Bartholomew, Apostle**

8:00 Brenda Ezman

##### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25

**St. Louis**

8:00 Stan & family

##### THURSDAY, AUGUST 26

8:00 (+) William Harris

##### FRIDAY, AUGUST 27

**St. Monica**

8:00 (+) Jerry Sherlock, req. by Sherlock family

##### SATURDAY, AUGUST 28

**St. Augustine, Bishop & Doctor**

10:00 (+) Friends and relatives of parishioners

5:00 Daniel Kotwa, req. by Sophie Kotwa

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#### PARISH FINANCES FOR AUGUST 15

**Regular Collection:** \$3,216

**Maintenance & Debt:** \$355

Thank you to all who have supported the parish during these trying times!

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#### SHARELIFE

Donate: at the parish or online at [sharelife.org](http://sharelife.org) or monthly Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG). Contact ShareLife at [slife@archtoronto.org](mailto:slife@archtoronto.org) or 416-934-3411

#### PILGRIMAGES:

**To Italy with Fr Roche:** October 5-15, 2021 - \$3,890

**Oberammergau Passion Play with Fr Martin:**

May 30 – June 11, 2022 - \$5,290

For more details on both pilgrimages write [halina@ihtours.com](mailto:halina@ihtours.com) (or Stan or Henry at the same address) or call 416-444-6666.

#### SAVE THE DATE

**LIFE CHAIN IS OCTOBER 3**

## STS. MONICA & AUGUSTINE, PRAY FOR US!

*August 27, 2006 Angelus Pope Benedict XVI*

.... Monica, who was born into a Christian family at Tagaste, today Souk-Aharàs in Algeria, lived her mission as a wife and mother in an exemplary way, helping her husband Patricius to discover the beauty of faith in Christ and the power of evangelical love, which can overcome evil with good.

After his premature death, Monica courageously devoted herself to caring for her three children, including Augustine, who initially caused her suffering with his somewhat rebellious temperament. As Augustine himself was to say, his mother gave birth to him twice; the second time required a lengthy spiritual travail of prayers and tears, but it was crowned at last with the joy of seeing him not only embrace the faith and receive Baptism, but also dedicate himself without reserve to the service of Christ.

How many difficulties there are also today in family relations and how many mothers are in anguish at seeing their children setting out on wrong paths! Monica, a woman whose faith was wise and sound, invites them not to lose heart but to persevere in their mission as wives and mothers, keeping firm their trust in God and clinging with perseverance to prayer.

As for Augustine, his whole life was a passionate search for the truth. In the end, not without a long inner torment, he found in Christ the ultimate and full meaning of his own life and of the whole of human history. In adolescence, attracted by earthly beauty, he "flung himself" upon it - as he himself confides (cf. Confessions, 10, 27-38) - with selfish and possessive behaviour that caused his pious mother great pain.

But through a toilsome journey and thanks also to her prayers, Augustine became always more open to the fullness of truth and love until his conversion, which happened in Milan under the guidance of the Bishop, St Ambrose.

He thus remained the model of the journey towards God, supreme Truth and supreme Good. "Late have I loved you", he wrote in the famous book of the Confessions, "beauty, ever ancient and ever new, late have I loved you. You were within me and I was outside of you, and it was there that I sought you.... You were with me and I was not with you.... You called, you cried out, you pierced my deafness. You shone, you struck me down, and you healed my blindness" (ibid.).

May St Augustine obtain the gift of a sincere and profound encounter with Christ for all those young people who, thirsting for happiness, are seeking it on the wrong paths and getting lost in blind alleys.

St Monica and St Augustine invite us to turn confidently to Mary, Seat of Wisdom. Let us entrust Christian parents to her so that, like Monica, they may accompany their children's progress with their own example and prayers. Let us commend youth to the Virgin Mother of God so that, like Augustine, they may always strive for the fullness of Truth and Love which is Christ: he alone can satisfy the deepest desires of the human heart...

## VOCATION DISCERNMENT

Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink so as to nourish us on our journey towards the Kingdom. May we be faithful to Him on our journey as married, single, ordained or consecrated persons. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, please speak to one of the Fathers of the Oratory or contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Vocations Director, email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) or call 416-968-0997

## SILENCE AND REVERENCE

It is, of course, a joy to see one another again after the interruption in public Masses brought on by the Covid regulations. We would like to remind parishioners to bring your post-Mass conversations outdoors, for the reverence due to our Lord and in consideration of those parishioners who are continuing to pray after Mass. This is particularly an issue after the 11 a.m. Mass. Parishioners may not be aware that the choir members come down after Mass to receive Holy Communion, and should be enabled to receive our Lord whom they have served with their voices in an atmosphere of recollection and silence.

## CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will in November 2021 and support the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 905-624-4422.

## 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, dropped off in the mail slot of the parish office, or placed in the collection basket when you are here for Mass on Sunday morning.
2. You can sign up for PAG. Contact the parish office for information on how to do so. But note that the Archdiocese is now encouraging one of the following means of donating online.
3. You can donate online either through the Oratory's website [www.oratory-toronto.org](http://www.oratory-toronto.org) or through the Archdiocesan website: [www.archtoronto.org](http://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](mailto: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. *This method of giving to the parish puts you in charge. You do not need to get in touch with us to alter amounts, frequency, or even to cancel. If you use web banking this is the best option for you.*



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