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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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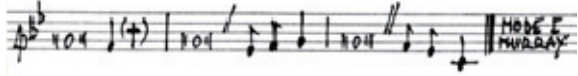
## THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### MUSIC FOR THE LITURGY

11:00 A.M. SUNG ENGLISH MASS  
Advent III

**Entrance Hymn:** 302-Saviour of the nations, come

**Entrance Antiphon:**



[Choir] Rejoice in the Lord / always; (†) \* again, I / say re-joyce. \*

[All] Indeed, the // Lord is near.

**Kyrie: Mass XVII**

**Proper Responsorial Psalm Refrain:**

**SHOUT ALOUD AND / SING FOR JOY: GREAT IN YOUR MIDST IS THE HOLY // ONE OF ISRAEL.**

**Gospel Acclamation: "Rorate Caeli" (Mode I)**



[Choir] Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

[All] Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

[Choir] The Spirit of the Lord / is up-on^me; \*

[All] he has sent me to bring good news // to the poor.

[All] Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Credo: 202 – Kyriale Romanum III**

**Offertory Antiphon:** (see above for the psalm tone)

[Choir] O Lord, you have blessed your / land, (†) \* you have put an end to Ja/cob's cap-tivity; \*

[All] you have forgiven the iniquity // of your people.

**Offertory Hymn:** 303-On Jordan's bank the Baptist cry

**Sanctus:** 212 – Mass XVII

**Agnus Dei:** 213 – Mass XVII

**Communion Antiphon:** (see above for the psalm tone)

[Choir] Say to the faint of / heart: (†) \* Be strong and / do not fear. \*

[All] our God will come, and // he will save^us.

**Communion Motet:** *Exultate justi in Domino* – Adriano Banchieri

**Concluding Hymn:** 301-O come, O come, Emmanuel

There is a special link on the Oratory website <https://oratory-toronto.org/covid19/> with details about various Covid-19 protocols. Please check the link for latest updates.

### MASS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 13**

**St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr**

8:00 (+) Bill & (+) Lucy Metcalfe, req. By Sherlock family

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14**

**St. John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor**

8:00 (+) Anita Pazmino

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15**

**Bl. Anthony Grassi, Priest**

8:00 In honour of Bl. Anthony Grassi of the Oratory

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16**

8:00 Isabel DeCouto

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17**

8:00 Fr. Alexander Griffiths

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18**

10:00 (+) Friends and relatives of parishioners

5:00 (+) Anthony & (+) Katherine Presz, req by son, John Anthony Presz

### PARISH FINANCES FOR DECEMBER 5

**Regular Collection:** \$2,342

**Maintenance & Debt:** \$776

**CanadaHelps:** \$1,088.30

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

**We are accepting 2022 Mass Intentions. You can come to the parish office during office hours or call at 416-535-7646.**

### FORMED.ORG

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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.

### OFFICE HOURS FOR THE HOLIDAY

*December 24: 9:00 a.m. – noon*

*December 27-31 & January 3: CLOSED*

### 2022 SACRAMENTS

*Registration is still open*

First Confession and First Holy Communion classes on Saturdays at 1 p.m. in the parish hall.

Confirmation classes are on Saturdays at 11 a.m. in the parish hall.

If you have not yet registered your child, go to: [www.oratory-toronto.org](http://www.oratory-toronto.org). Click St Vincent de Paul, click Catechesis and Sacraments and follow the links to print the Registration form.

### SHARELIFE

[SHARELIFE.ORG/DONATE](https://SHARELIFE.ORG/DONATE)

**ST THOMAS MORE PARISH**

**Saturday, December 18 at 8 p.m.**

Come join us for Service of Advent Lessons and Carols with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the church. It may be accessed by going to the parish website: [stmtoronto.ca](http://stmtoronto.ca)

**OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2022**

**Offertory envelopes for 2022** are available for pick up. They are in alphabetical order. Please check that you have picked up **YOUR** box of envelopes. If you have a change of address or have changed your phone number, please write the correct information on the envelope with **“NEW”**.

**For the first few donations of 2022, please print clearly on the envelope your NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER & EMAIL ADDRESS.**

**We encourage you to consider using Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG), using the forms at the back of the church.**

**BLESSED ANTHONY GRASSI**

Anthony Grassi was born in 1592, in Fermo, Italy. Anthony was the oldest child of five born to a devout middle class family. He was a good natured and intelligent boy, and quickly gained the respect and admiration of his teachers and peers.

From his childhood, Anthony attended the Oratory at Fermo and received spiritual direction from Fr Flaminio Ricci, who had known St Philip personally. When he was nearing seventeen, he presented himself to the community as a postulant.

Anthony's natural intelligence and love of learning made his studies for the priesthood a pleasant time in his life. He acquired an encyclopedic knowledge of the Bible, the Fathers of the Church, and the teachings of Saint Thomas Aquinas.

One year, on his annual pilgrimage to the Holy House of Loreto, Anthony was struck by lightning and knocked unconscious. This left him with a deeper devotion to Blessed Virgin; and from that time on he sought all the more to dedicate himself completely to God's Will.

In 1625, Anthony went on a pilgrimage to Rome, where he visited all the places that St. Philip used to frequent and sought to learn as much as he could about St. Philip from Fr. Pietro Consolini who had known the Saint intimately. Anthony meditated on this knowledge and applied it in his own life for ten years before imparting it more explicitly to others when he was elected superior of the Fermo Oratory in 1635. He was re-elected superior every three years until his death.

In 1671, as Blessed Anthony lay dying he said with great joy, "What a beautiful thing it is to die a son of Saint Philip." There is no better end to an Oratorian vocation.

**There will be a Sung English Mass in honour of Blessed Anthony at Holy Family Church on Wednesday, December 15 at 5:30 p.m. Please call the office (416-532-2879) to register for the Mass.**

**2021 TAX RECEIPTS**

**ALL DONATIONS FOR 2021 TAX RECEIPTS MUST BE GIVEN BY DECEMBER 31, 2021.**

**ADVENT DAY OF RECOLLECTION**

The usual Advent Day of Recollection held by the Fathers of the Oratory will be spread over three Saturdays this year, **December 4, 11 and 18**. Each day there will be Mass at Holy Family at 10 a.m., followed by a talk. Because of Covid limitations, it will be necessary to register to attend in person, and the Mass and talks will also be livestreamed.

**FRIARS' STUDENT WRITING CONTEST 2022**

It is time once again for the Friars' Student Writing Award. Students aged 13-19 are invited to submit a 450-500 word essay for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated from January 18-25, 2022.

This year the theme and the resources for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2022 have been prepared by the Middle East Council of Churches based in Beirut, Lebanon. The theme of the contest is: **“We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship him.” (Mt. 2:2)**

The deadline for the writing contest is **Monday, February 14, 2022 at 2 p.m.** For more contest details: <https://bit.ly/FriarStudentWritingContest2022>

**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, or 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.
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.



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