
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH

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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

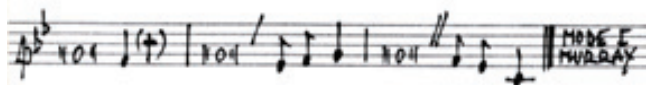
CATHOLIC CEMETERIES:

(Archdiocese of Toronto): 416-733-8544

11:00 A.M. SUNG ENGLISH MASS

Entrance Hymn: 303 – On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

Entrance Antiphon:



[Choir] O people of / Sion, (†) * behold, the Lord will come to / save the nations, *

[All] and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard in the joy // of your heart.

Kyrie: Mass XVII

Responsorial Psalm Refrain:

[All] THE LORD HAS DONE GREAT / THINGS FOR US; * WE ARE // FILLED WITH JOY.

Gospel Acclamation : “Rorate Caeli” (Mode I)



[Choir] Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

[All] Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

[Choir] Prepare the way of the Lord, make / straight his paths:

[All] all flesh shall see the salva//tion of God.”

[All] Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Credo: 202 – Kyriale Romanum III

Offertory Antiphon: (see above for the psalm tone)

[Choir] You will turn toward us, O / God, (†) * and restore our / life a-gain, *

[All] and your people will re//joice in you.

[Choir] Show us, O / Lord, your mercy *

[All] and grant us // your sal-vation.

Offertory Hymn: 304 – Lo! he comes with clouds descending

Sanctus: Mass XVII

Agnus Dei: Mass XVII

Communion Antiphon: (see above for the psalm tone)

[Choir] “Jerusalem, arise and stand up/on the heights, *

[All] and behold the joy which comes to // you from God.”

Communion Hymn: 307 – Rorate caeli desuper (Mode I) (“The Advent Prose”)

Refrain:

[All] “RORATE CAELI DESUPER * ET NUBES PLUANT JUSTUM.”

(Drop down, you heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness.)

Concluding Hymn: 302 – Saviour of the nations, come

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9

Immaculate Conception

8:00 Michael Arruda

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10

8:00 For Roncesvalles neighbourhood

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11

8:00 (+) Colin Wyse, req. by Tiffany Wyse

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patron of Americas

8:00 Michael Arruda

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13

St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

8:00 (+) Herbert J. Graham

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14

St. John of the Cross

10:00 (+) Relatives and friends of parishioners

5:00 Jamie Guzman

PARISH FINANCES FOR DECEMBER 1

Offertory Collection: \$6,078

Maintenance & Debt: \$860

Hall Renovation Project: \$1500

Canada Helps: \$72.24

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PRAYERS & BEST WISHES FOR ARCHBISHOP FRANCIS LEO

The faithful of the Archdiocese of Toronto offer our prayers and best wishes for Archbishop Leo who will be elevated to the College of Cardinals, this weekend in Rome as one of the 21 new cardinals from around the world gathered with Pope Francis. Please pray for our new cardinal as he begins this important role of service to the Church.

Regional Masses to celebrate Cardinal Leo and the beginning of the Jubilee Year will take place early in 2025. More details will be shared in the coming weeks.

We are accepting 2025 Mass Intentions. You can come to the parish office during office hours or call at 416-535-7646

ST THOMAS MORE PARISH

Saturday, December 14 at 7:30 p.m.

The Ordinariate parish of St. Thomas More will have a service of Lessons and Carols with Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at St. Vincent de Paul Church. A social gathering in the Parish Hall will follow. All are invited to attend this most beautiful celebration which helps to prepare to celebrate the Birth of Our Saviour.

PARISH COMPASSIONATE CARE MINISTRY

God is good. Choose life. The message is true, but in order for people to make it their own, it helps if they feel connected to others who truly care for them. Holy Family and St Vincent de Paul Parishes have a combined ministry to those who are housebound or live in a nursing home. We try to meet once a month on a Saturday morning to coordinate visits to parishioners who cannot get to Mass or who are feeling lonely and abandoned. If you are interested in joining, please send an email to Margaret Smith at margaretparishnursing@gmail.com, or call the parish and leave a message for the pastor. Volunteers in this ministry will need to be screened before going out on calls, but feel free to come as you are to see what the ministry is all about firsthand. "Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; ... I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ..., I was sick and you visited me."

BOOK LAUNCH!

Saturday, December 14 at 7:30 p.m.

Holy Family Parish Hall

We are pleased to announce the publication of a book by Fr Martin Hilbert, [A Catholic Case for Intelligent Design](#). There will be a book launch, including a brief reading and a reflection on the book by Brother Jeffrey of the Oratory, who was one of students in a seminar course centered on a draft version of the book. Light refreshments will be provided with a smile. Copies of the book will be available for sale. And Fr Martin will be happy to sign copies. The book will be available at the Oratory bookstall at a cost of \$30 (tax included). It can also be purchased from Amazon.ca for \$30.63 + tax and shipping

ADVENT SERIES - CATHOLICISM: THE PIVOTAL PLAYERS

Sunday, December 8

Holy Family Parish Hall from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.
Light snacks provided.

Part 2: St. Ignatius of Loyola: The Founder

**SUNDAY MISSALS (\$7) AND CHRISTMAS
CARDS (\$10) ARE AVAILABLE BEFORE
AND AFTER EACH MASS**

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Through the centuries, the Church has become ever more aware that Mary, "full of grace" through God, was redeemed from the moment of her conception. That is what the dogma of the Immaculate Conception confesses, as Pope Pius IX proclaimed in 1854: *The most Blessed Virgin Mary was, from the first moment of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege of almighty God and by virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, Saviour of the human race, preserved immune from all stain of original sin.*

The "splendor of an entirely unique holiness" by which Mary is "enriched from the first instant of her conception" comes wholly from Christ: she is "redeemed, in a more exalted fashion, by reason of the merits of her Son". The Father blessed Mary more than any other created person "in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places" and chose her "in Christ before the foundation of the world, to be holy and blameless before him in love".

(CCC 491-492)

There will be a Solemn High Mass at Holy Family Church on Monday, December 9 at 6:00 p.m.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2025

Offertory envelopes for 2025 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 2025, please print clearly on the envelope your NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER & EMAIL ADDRESS.

YEAR OF PRAYER – CORNER

"Pray for us sinners..."

As Catholics we ask the Blessed Virgin to pray for us. We do not give her the adoration due to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Our Lady is a created human person. She is not God. But at the same time, God saved us by sending His Son into the world through Mary. She is the mother of God the Son as man. As a man he keeps the Fourth Commandment. He honours his Mother. When she asks Him for things, as at the Wedding at Cana, He does them.

On earth, we ask each other to pray. St James even says that "the prayer of just man is of great benefit" (James 5:16-7). Prayer is asking good things of God. Mary is the most just. When she prays for us, when she asks God for things, it is very beneficial. Let us ask Mary to pray for us to have a good Advent.



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