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# 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

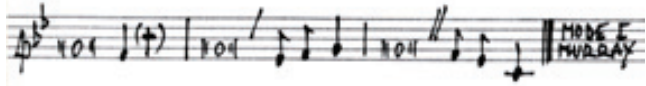
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## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### 11:00 A.M. SUNG ENGLISH MASS

**Entrance Hymn:** 310 – Come, thou long-expected Jesus

**Entrance Antiphon:**



[Choir] Drop down dew from above, you / heavens, (†) \*  
and let the clouds rain / down the Just One; \*

[All] let the clouds be opened and bring // forth a  
Saviour.

**Kyrie:** Mass XVII (*Adventus*)

**Responsorial Psalm Refrain:**

[All] RESTORE / US, O GOD; \* LET YOUR FACE  
SHINE, THAT WE // MAY BE SAVED.

**Gospel Acclamation :** “Rorate Caeli” (Mode I)



[Choir] Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

[All] Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

[Choir] Here am / I, (†) \* the servant / of the Lord: \*

[All] let it be done to me according // to your word.

[All] Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Credo:** 202 – Kyriale *Romanum* III

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

[Choir] Hail, Mary, / full of grace, \*

[All] the // Lord is with^thee;

[Choir] blessed art thou / a-mong women, \*

[All] and blessed is the fruit // of thy womb.

**Offertory Hymn:** 301 – O come, O come, Emmanuel

**Sanctus:** Mass XVII (*Adventus*)

**Agnus Dei:** Mass XVII (*Adventus*)

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

[Choir] Be/hold, (†) \* a Virgin shall conceive and / bear a  
son; \*

[All] and his name will be // called Em-manuel.

**Communion Motet:** *Ave, ave, the angel sang* – Robert  
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**Concluding Hymn:** 537 – Alma Redemptoris Mater  
(Mode V)

### MASS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY, DECEMBER 23**

8:00 Stella, Betty & Kieran

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24**

8:00 Nigel D’Cruz

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25**

**The Nativity of the Lord**

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26**

**St. Stephen, First Martyr**

10:00 (+) Eugenia Wandel, req. by Wandel family

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27**

**St. John, Apostle & Evangelist**

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

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28**

**Holy Innocents, Martyrs**

10:00 (+) Relatives and friends of parishioners

5:00 (+) Marian Nowak, req. by Nowak family

### OFFICE HOURS FOR THE HOLIDAY

**December 25 - January 1: CLOSED**

### NO EUCHARISTIC ADORATION ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup> & 31<sup>ST</sup>

### 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.**

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### SAVE THE DATE:

**Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 at 7:00 pm**

***It's the Ceili!***

Dance away the chills in formations called out by the Caller. Hot food, snack, and drinks. Cash bar. Proceeds to the parish.



**PARISH POTLUCK - *Next weekend***

**Sunday, December 29<sup>th</sup> in the hall**

One more feast in the old year! Bring out your remaining Christmas Cheer and share with fellow parishioners! Potluck Party after the 11am Mass; we eat and drink whatever we bring!

**FAMILY GAMES NIGHT IS BACK!!!**

**Saturday, January 18 from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.**

The Family Games Night is for all ages at St Vincent de Paul Parish Hall. Bring a game, drink and snack to share with fellow parishioners and beat the winter chills!!

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

**HOLY FAMILY CHRISTMAS DINNER**

**Saturday, January 4, at 6:00 p.m.** in the parish hall

Celebrate the birth of Our Lord at the annual Christmas dinner. There will be turkey dinner with wine, dessert and music. Cost is \$40 (adults) \$5 (Children) Buy your ticket on Sunday at Holy Family or reserve your ticket by calling the office at 416-532-2879.

**YEAR OF PRAYER – CORNER**

"Amen."

The Hail Mary ends with the Hebrew word, Amen. Amen means, so be it. Amen means, I believe. Amen means truly it is so. At the end of the most frequent prayer of the Rosary, we express our faith in Jesus. Everything the Church believes about Mary is based on what she believes about her Son. She is the Mother of God because her Son is God the Son in the flesh. She was conceived immaculate in order to say Amen, fiat, to being the Mother of the Redeemer. She prays for us at the hour of our death because she stood by Jesus when he died.

But Amen also reminds us of Mary's act of faith at the Incarnation. She said, Amen, Fiat, let it be, to God's invitation. Her yes to God opens up the "space" for the yes of the entire Church. God's Son will be born for us (liturgically) this week. Our annual celebration of His Birth really and truly offers us the grace as though we were there in Bethlehem at His birth. Christmas Mass makes present His birth for us. Like the shepherds, we are being invited to say Amen to the little Jesus. If we want to cry out with faith, if we want to believe that this Child is Our Saviour, let us ask Mary to pray for us. Let us ask her to give us her heart. Her heart is nothing but a constant Amen to the work of Her Son

**CHRISTMAS COLLECTION**

As is customary in our parish, a second collection will be taken up at each of the Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

**Mass Schedule for Christmas**

**CHRISTMAS EVE**

***Tuesday, December 24***

Confessions from 4:00 – 5:00 & 7:15 – 8:00 p.m.  
5:00 p.m. Mass for Catholic Parish of St Thomas More  
(Ordinariate of the Chair of St Peter)

7:30 p.m. Carol Service

8:00 p.m. Sung Mass in English

*Please note there will not be a Mass at midnight at St. Vincent de Paul. The Mass at midnight at Holy Family Church will be a Solemn High Mass, Usus Antiquior.*

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

***Wednesday, December 25***

***Holy Day of Obligation***

8:30 a.m. Mass in English

9:30 a.m. Low Mass in Latin, Usus Antiquior

11:00 a.m. Sung Mass in English

12:30 p.m. Mass for the Catholic Parish of  
St Thomas More

*The 12:30 p.m. Mass will be the last Mass in our Church on Christmas Day. The last Mass at Holy Family will be at 4:00 p.m.*

***Monday, December 26 (St Stephen)***

Holiday Schedule: Mass at 10:00 a.m.

***Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God***

**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

***Tuesday, December 31***

5:00 p.m. Mass in English

Confessions from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

(There will be a Holy Hour at 10:00 p.m. at Holy Family, followed by Mass at 11:00 p.m.)

***Wednesday, January 1***

8:30 a.m. Mass in English

9:30 a.m. Low Mass in Latin, Usus Antiquior

11:00 a.m. Sung Mass in English

12:30 p.m. Mass for the Catholic Parish of  
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