
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.

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(Archdiocese of Toronto): 416-733-8544

MUSIC FOR THE LITURGY

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

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

Entrance Antiphon:



[Choir] O people of / Zion, (†) * 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*

Proper 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-va-tion.

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

Sanctus: 203 – *Mass XVIII*

Agnus Dei: 204 – *Mass XVIII*

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 Motet: *To you I lift up my soul* – Orlandus Lassus

During the Communion: *The Advent Prose* (Mode I)

Refrain: [All] DROP DOWN, YE HEAVENS,
FROM ABOVE, AND LET THE SKIES POUR
DOWN RIGHTEOUSNESS.

Concluding Hymn: 302 – Saviour of the nations, come

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 10

8:00 Daniel & Patrick Kotwa, req. by Sophie Kotwa

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11

8:00 Special Intention, req. by Elizabeth Fajkos

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patron of the Americas

8:00 Scott & Monica Simpson, req. by Ezman family

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13

St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

8:00 (+) Michael Joseph Silva, req. by Pontisso family

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14

St. John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor

8:00 (+) Edward & Antoni Surman, req. by Joseph & Krystyna Schneider

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15

Bl. Anthony Grassi, Priest

10:00 In honour of Bl. Anthony Grassi of the Oratory

5:00 Jenn McCann-Black & family

PARISH FINANCES FOR DECEMBER 2

Regular Collection: \$2,204

Maintenance & Debt: \$2,355

SNOW REMOVAL

A snow removal company will be clearing all the snow around the church this winter. This should alleviate the safety concerns of previous years. But all this comes at a cost. Could you spare an extra twenty dollars to help pay for this service? It would be appreciated.

God bless your generosity!

FORMED

Christmas is coming. If you would like to help the parish pay for its Formed subscription, please get in touch with Fr Martin at 416-532-2879.

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BOOKSTALL IS OPEN!!

There are Sunday Missals, calendars, Christmas cards and other items for sale at the bookstall.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

On December 15/16 weekend, there will be a special collection at all Masses for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Your donation will provide food for those in our area who find themselves in need of help over the Christmas season. *Thank you for your generosity!*

ST THOMAS MORE PARISH

Tuesday, December 18 at 7:00 p.m.

Come join us for Service of Advent Lessons and Carols with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the church.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2019

Offertory envelopes for 2019 are available for pick up. They are in alphabetical order. Please check that you have picked up **YOUR** box of envelopes.

For the first few donations of 2019, 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 Saturday, December 15 at 10:00 a.m.

**THERE WILL BE NO COFFEE HOUSE
ON DECEMBER 23 & 30.**

PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL

Cardinal Collins has requested that parishes pray the Prayer to St Michael at the end of Masses. We have begun this practice. There are many translations of the prayer, of which the Cardinal prefers the one below, so it is the one we will use, including at the Low Masses of the Extraordinary Form.

**St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle.
Be our protection against the wickedness and snares
of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray,
and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the
power Of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil
spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin
of souls. Amen**

GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION ON SEX ED

The Ontario government is soliciting input from all residents of the province on various aspects of education. The most controversial is sexual education. Please take the time to take part to keep immoral material out of the classrooms. Go to <https://www.ontario.ca/page/for-the-parents>. For more information, you may also wish to go to the website of Parents as First Educators: <http://www.pafe.ca/consultations>. **The deadline for submissions is December 15.**

Mass Schedule for Christmas

CHRISTMAS EVE

Monday, 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

Tuesday, December 25

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

The 11:00 a.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.

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