# ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH

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### Served by the Fathers of the Oratory



### **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

There is a special link on the Oratory website <u>here</u> with details about various Covid-19 protocols. Please check the link for latest updates.

With the suspension of public Masses, we are back to having short Holy Communion services for up to 10 people at a time (including the priest) on Saturdays and Sundays. These are scheduled in consecutive 15-minute segments. You can sign up for a timeslot at this link each week.

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. so that we can sign them up. Please sign up only once each weekend to allow as many parishioners as possible the opportunity to receive Communion. Please note that you can deregister yourself in case you are feeling sick or need to change your plans. You do not need to phone us to do it. The schedule for Communion services will be as follows:

Saturday: 3:00-4:00pm; 5:00-6:00pm Sunday: 8:00-10:30am; 2:00pm-4:00pm

The schedule of regular livestreamed Masses is as follows: Sunday 11 a.m. from St Vincent's; Sunday 11 a.m. from Holy Family, Solemn High Mass (Usus Antiquior); Monday to Friday, 7:45 a.m. (English), 11:30 a.m. (Latin). Saturday 10 a.m. (English), 11:30 a.m. (Latin).

Confessions:

Friday 11 a.m. – 12 noon

Saturday 4 - 5 p.m.

At Holy Family:

Monday through Friday 7:30 - 8:00 a.m. and 5-6 p.m. Also Wednesday and Thursday 8 - 9 p.m.; Saturday 4-5 p.m., Sunday 4:30-5 p.m.

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, we ask one person to sanitize the altar rail after each Communion Service.

### POPE FRANCIS PRAYER REQUEST FOR MAY

Pope Francis is encouraging all Catholics around the world to dedicate the Marian month of May to pray for the end of the pandemic. For more details go to www.vaticannews.va

### **PILGRIMAGES:**

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

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For more details go to: www.ihtours.com

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Masses will be offered on the DAY for which they were requested, but not necessarily at the TIME originally scheduled.

### MONDAY, MAY 24

Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

**Daniel Morse** 

#### **TUESDAY, MAY 25**

St. Bede the Venerable, Priest & Doctor

(+) Guy Calme, req. by Chort family

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 26

St. Philip Neri, Priest

In honour of St. Philip Neri, Founder of the Oratory

### **THURSDAY, MAY 27**

St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

(+) Ignacio Davila, req. by Vaessen family

#### FRIDAY, MAY 28

(+) Violeta Petrov

### SATURDAY, MAY 29 St. Boul VI. Bono

St. Paul VI, Pope

- (+) Friends and relatives of parishioners
- (+) Erika Chesser, req. by Sherlock family

### **PARISH FINANCES FOR MAY 16**

Regular Collection: \$2,444 Maintenance & Debt: \$115 Canada Helps: \$124.26

Thank you to all who have supported the parish during

these trying times!

#### **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 <a href="mailto:dutrecht@yahoo.ca">dutrecht@yahoo.ca</a> with "Add me" in the subject line.

### **COVID RELIEF FOR INDIA**

If you wish to send humanitarian assistance to India, you may do so through the Archdiocese of Toronto website, or through a donation made here at the parish. In this case, please make cheques payable to

St Vincent de Paul Parish – India's COVID-19 Outbreak – Disaster Relief

#### FEAST OF ST PHILIP NERI – MAY 26

Saint Philip Neri was born in Florence in 1515. From a very early age, he was attracted to virtue, and was awakened to the love of God through the Dominicans at San Marco. In his late teens, he was sent by his family to live with an uncle in San Germano near the Benedictine Abbey of Monte Cassino, with the understanding that he would become heir to his uncle's business and great wealth. But, through prayer, Philip soon discovered that earthly riches could never satisfy his heart. So he renounced the inheritance and left San Germano for Rome.

Once in Rome, Philip lived as a layman for nearly twenty years. He was given room and board in a family home in exchange for tutoring the children. This gave him much free time to learn about God and to speak familiarly about Him to people of all walks of life. For a time, Philip attended lectures in theology given by the Augustinians; but his deepest lessons about God came through prayer. It was while he was praying in the catacombs of St Sebastian on the feast of Pentecost in 1544, that the Holy Spirit descended into him as a ball of fire and lodged in his heart. From this time onwards, Philip always felt his heart to be dilated and filled with a great heat. (After his death, an autopsy revealed that his heart had in fact been enlarged and that two of his ribs were broken to make room for it.)

While still a layman, Philip encouraged the people of Rome to raise their minds and hearts to God. He effectively organized works of charity such as the care of the sick, and lodging and feeding pilgrims who came to Rome. Because of his humility, Philip did not aspire to the priesthood, but in obedience he submitted to his confessor's wishes and was ordained in 1551.

As a priest, Philip was able to win more souls for God through the confessional. Soon, the informal discourses on the Word of God, which took place in his room, developed into daily sermons in a small chapel which he had built for the purpose. This chapel, called an Oratory, would eventually lend its name to the community of priests who, under Philip, devoted themselves to this apostolate.

Philip's humility and total dedication of himself to God could not remain hidden for long. Stories abound of the Saint's wisdom, insight, and holiness as he brought people from all walks of life closer to God.

Philip died on 26 May 1595 and his canonization was in 1622. There will a High Mass in honour of St Philip at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, May 26, livestreamed on the Toronto Oratory YouTube channel.

### **SHARELIFE**

Our parish goal is \$13,300. To date, we have raised \$4,797. To donate online: <a href="www.sharelife.org">www.sharelife.org</a>

### MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

In 2018, Pope Francis decreed that the Monday after Pentecost be celebrated as the memorial of Mary, Mother of Church.

The decree establishing the memorial was published March 3 in a letter from Cardinal Robert Sarah, head of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments.

As Sarah explained, Pope Francis added the memorial to the Roman Calendar after carefully considering how the promotion of devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary under this particular title might encourage growth in "the maternal sense of the Church" and in "genuine Marian piety."

"This celebration will help us to remember that growth in the Christian life must be anchored to the Mystery of the Cross, to the oblation of Christ in the Eucharistic Banquet and to the Mother of the Redeemer and Mother of the Redeemed," Sarah wrote.

THE NOVENA TO ST. PHILIP IS ON THE TORONTO ORATORY YOUTUBE CHANNEL

### WAYS YOU CAN DONATE TO THE PARISH:

Thank you to all who have been generously donating to the parish. God bless you for it.

- 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 <a href="www.oratory-toronto.org">www.oratory-toronto.org</a> or through the Archdiocesan website: <a href="www.archtoronto.org">www.archtoronto.org</a>. 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 <a href="mailto:campaign@archtoronto.org">campaign@archtoronto.org</a> 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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