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): 416-733-9944

MUSIC FOR THE LITURGY

11:00 SUNG ENGLISH MASS Advent II

Entrance Hymn: 303- On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry Kyrie: Mass XVII Seasonal Responsorial Psalm Refrain: "TO YOU, O LORD, I LIFT UP MY SOUL."

Credo: 202 – *Kyriale Romanum III*

Offertory Hymn: 304- Lo! He comes with clouds descending **Sanctus:** 203 – Mass XVIII

"Great Amen" - ADVENT

Agnus Dei: 204 – Mass XVIII

Communion Hymn: 307- Rorate caeli desuper

(Mode I)

Communion Hymn Refrain: "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 **Organ:** *Chorale Prelude, "Nun komm' der Heiden Heiland"/ "Come, Redeemer of our race"* (*Eighteen Chorales, BWV 659*)(J.S.Bach)

PARISH FINANCES FOR NOVEMBER 27

Regular Collection: **\$3,397** (Weekly Budget: \$2,900) Maintenance & Debt: **\$171** Total, month to date: \$1,965 (Monthly Budget: \$3,500)

MAINTENANCE & DEBT FUND – TODAY!!!

Today, the first Sunday of the month there will be a collection taken up at all Masses.

VOCATION DISCERNMENT RETREAT

The Office of Vocations invites single Catholic men, 17 years and older to attend a Vocations Discernment Retreat from **Dec 9 to 11, 2016** at Manresa Spiritual Renewal Centre, Pickering. (Starts on Friday at 7 pm). Suggested donation of \$150 to help cover costs. Please call 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 5 8:00 (+) Franci Rus, req. by Antonia Leben

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6 8:00 (+) Nikolaj & Maria Leben, req. by Antonia Leben

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7

St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor 8:00 Andrew Tomlin

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8

Immaculate Conception 8:00 (+) Josef Karmelija Kotwa, req. by Sofia Kotwa

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9

8:00 (+) Mr. & Mrs. P. Lipiec, req. by Carole Lipiec

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

10:00 (+) Friends and relatives of parishioners 5:00 Antonia Leben, req. by Victoria Skrt

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CONFIRMATION

Classes have started at 10:00 a.m. in the parish hall classrooms. You can still register by picking up a form from the back of the church or online at <u>www.oratory-</u> <u>toronto.org</u>. The fee is \$40. **A copy of the baptismal certificate** is required. Please put form, fee and baptism certificate in an envelope addressed to "NIKKI" and bring it to the office or put in the collection basket at Mass.

THE BOOKSTALL

Come to the bookstall after your Mass to buy 2017 calendars, missals, Christmas cards and Fr. Daniel's book, The Lion of Münster.

CATHOLIC MOMS GROUP

Come join mothers for coffee, tea and snacks for the next meeting, **December 15 from 10:00 – 11:30 a.m**. Babies and preschoolers are welcome!! For more information about the organization and dates of meetings visit: <u>www.CatholicMomsGroup.com</u>

LECTIO DIVINA WITH CARDINAL COLLINS December 4- Great Prayer of Repentance *Psalm 51* One Sunday each month at St. Michael's Cathedral.

Vespers begin at 7:00 p.m. followed by Lectio Divina from 7:30-8:15 p.m. The theme for 2016-17 is "*The Freedom of the Kingdom of God*". For the schedule go to www.archtoronto.org/lectio

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Boxes of envelopes for 2017 are available at the back of the church. Please pick up the box that has your name on it. If you do not find a box that has your name on it, pick up one of the unassigned boxes and make it your own. Also, kindly put your name and address on the first few envelopes so that we can make sure that our database is up to date.

Please note: Holders of envelopes numbered 225 and higher have been assigned new numbers.

CHRISTMAS CAKE SALES – TODAY!!

Campaign Life Coalition will be selling Christmas cakes after all Masses today. These are traditional cakes made by Monks of Val Notre-Dame Abbey. The Bar Cake (600gm) is \$15 and the Deluxe Cake (1kg) is \$25.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

On December 10 & 11 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.

BREAKFAST MORNINGS

Come join us in the parish hall after the Thursday morning Mass. A light breakfast of coffee, juice, cereal, pastries and yogurt will be served.

ORATORIUM SAECULARE

Wednesday, December 7 at 8:00 p.m. at Holy Family Church will be the Evening at the Oratory with Music, Talk and Compline. Featuring J.S. Bach: *Nun Komm der Heiden Heiland* Sung Compline J.S. Bach: *Prelude & Fugue in D Minor*

FRIARS' STUDENT WRITING AWARD 2017

Students aged from 14-18 are invited to write a five hundred-word essay on the theme for the week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated January 18-25, 2017. The theme for this coming year is "Reconciliation – The love of Christ compels us" (cf.2 Corinthians 5:14-20). Students should read the scripture passage and respond to the following statement in the essay: As the Christian world reflects on the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation (1517-2017) and after reading 2 Corinthians 5:14-20, discuss the main obstacles to Christian reconciliation and ways to overcome them based on your own experiences. January 13, 2017 is the deadline. Email your essay to editor@catholicregister.org or FAX it to 416-934-3409 (please include your full name, e-mail address, phone number and the name of your school on the front page of the essay). For more information call 416-934-3400, ext.344

EUTHANASIA/ASSISTED SUICIDE – Did you know?

Now that euthanasia/assisted suicide is legal in Canada, doctors in Ontario are being forced to help arrange for the killing of their patients. If your family doctor or surgeon objects to providing a referral for assisted suicide/euthanasia, he or she could be fined, disciplined or even removed from the practice of medicine. Many may be forced to retire or move outside of the province if the provincial government does not recognize their freedom of conscience. Please visit the website to learn more and to write directly to your Member of Provincial Parliament. www.CanadiansforConscience.ca

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, Savior 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 in Latin at Holy Family Church on December 8 at 6:00 p.m.

PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE FEAST DAY – DECEMBER 12

thail, Mother of the Americas, fleavenly Missionary of the New World! From the Sanetuary of Tepeyae you have been for more than four centuries the Mother and Teacher of the Faith to the peoples of the Americas. Be also our protection and save us, O Immaculate Mary. Aid our rulers; stir up a new zeal in our prelates; increase the virtues of our elergy; and preserve forever our Faith. In every home may the holiness of the family flourish, and in the shelter of the home may Catholic education, favored by your own benign glance, achieve a wholesome growth. *Pope John XXIII, October 12, 1961*



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