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OFFICE HOURS

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CHURCH HOURS

7:00 AM - 10:00 PM

MASS TIMES

Monday 12:15 PM

Tuesday 7:00 PM

Wednesday 12:15 PM

Thursday 7:00 PM

Friday 12:15 PM 7:00 PM on first Fridays

Saturday 9:00 AM 5:00 PM (Vigil Mass) 7:00 PM (Vigil Mass)

Sunday 8:30 AM 10:00 AM 12:00 PM 7:00 PM

CONFESSION TIMES

Tuesday 6:00 - 7:00 PM **Saturday** 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

ADORATION CHAPEL

7:00 AM - 10:00 PM

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PARISH SCHOOLS

 St. Aloysius Gonzaga
 2800 Erin Centre Blvd. | (905) 820 3900

 Divine Mercy
 2840 Duncairn Dr. | (905) 812 5445

 Our Lady of Mercy
 5820 Glen Erin Dr. | (905) 814 9216

 St. Rose of Lima School
 4590 The Gallops | (905) 828 4076

 St. Sebastian School
 3460 Aquinas Ave. | (905) 607 0107

PARISH COMMUNITY

Charismatic Prayer Group Mondays from 7 - 8 PM St. JP II TOB Prayer Group Tuesdays from 8:30 - 9:30 PM tob@bell.net Knights of Columbus Gerry Gonsalves, gerryschlumberger@gmail.com Men's Fraternity Saturdays from 8 - 10 AM Merciful Moms Thursdays from 10 - 11:30 AM Jane Scamurra, jane@mercifulredeemer.org Youth Ministry bitly.ws/zXug Redeemed Young Adult Ministry Every other Thursday at 7 PM redeemed@mercifulredeemer.org Society of St. Vincent de Paul mrcssvp.ca Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services catholic-cemeteries.com Legion of Mary Wednesdays at 7 PM Leila Pangilinan, leilap9557@gmail.com

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 18, 12:15 PM

+ Scholistica & Matthew Menezes + Nathalie Gabelle Thanksgiving for Rorberto & Melisa Perez

Tuesday, December 19, 7:00 PM

+ Faustino Almeida, + Lily Fernandes + Alfredo Omonte

Wednesday, December 20, 12:15 PM

- + Angel Rojas, + Jessy Francis
- + Edelberto & Eloisa Galvez

Thursday, December 21, 7:00 PM

+ Halo Leonardi

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- + Trevor Noel King
- + Eunjin Nam Ignatius

Friday, December 22, 12:15 PM

+ Roque Rodrigues, + The Sui In

+ Eduino Barbosa

Saturday, December 23, 9:00 AM

+ Cesidio & Maruizio Flammini

- + Matteo Di Folco, + Teryile Kombol,
- + Eunjin Nam Ignatius, + Joaquim Soares,
- + Sabina & Philips

Thanksgiving for Fr. Seamus Hogan

Thanksgiving for Fr. Suresh Xavier

Thanksgiving for Fr. Iguintz Calixte

Thanksgiving for Armand Santos & Family Thanksgiving for favors received

Saturday, December 23, 5:00 PM

+ Franklin & Teresita Flores Special Intention for Sanu George & family Special Intention for the Fernandes family

Saturday, December 23, 7:00 PM

+ Hector Sarmiento + Marianne & Stephen Nogueira Thanksgiving by Primorac family

Sunday, December 24, 8:30 AM

+ Ronald Kam, + Eunjin Nam Ignatius + Deceased Members of the Lobo family

Sunday, December 24, 10:00 AM For all our parishioners

Sunday, December 24, 12:00 PM

+ Hiheronimo Dang Thanksgiving by Nelson Chico & family]Thanksgiving by Aida Navarro

Sunday, December 24, NO MASS AT 7:00 PM (Please refer to Christmas schedule on page 3)

We pray for all our deceased loved ones. May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Mass Readings

First Reading: Isaiah 61:1-2A, 10-11 Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 Gospel: John 1:6-8, 19-28

Advent Parish Reconciliation 20 December, 2023

7:00 - 9:00 PM

Christmas is almost here! Are you ready?

SUNDAY OFFERTORY ENVELOPES 2024

Thank you to all those who have picked up your envelope boxes. Use the new envelopes starting January 1st, 2024, only. We request you to please contact the parish office if you do not have a box and would like to receive one for 2024 OR you would like to transition from Offertory envelopes to PAG (Pre-Authorized Giving) OR if you have a change in your postal address as this will ensure that our database information is correct.

Starting January 1st, please do not use your old 2023 envelopes. You may discard them. If you only need a single envelope, please use the visitor's or a plain envelope. Print your complete name, address & phone number on the plain envelope. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

The Bible Timeline Bible Study: The Story of Salvation - Part 1 January - April 2024

From January 15th to April 29th, 2024, Merciful Redeemer Parish will offer the Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation Bible study. Join us on Monday evenings for the first half of the program that will guide us through an in-depth exploration of Salvation History, focusing on the books of Genesis through Kings. The weekly sessions will run from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

If you would like to register for the program, please contact Flo at *mrpeaceandblessings@gmail.com* as seating is limited. The cost for the program is \$10 per person to cover supplies and resources. Participants are asked to bring a Catholic Bible and supplies for note-taking.

EDGE & LIFETEEN

We are excited to welcome you to Edge (Grades 6-8) and LifeTeen (Grades 9-12). Registration is now open!

LifeTeen - Saturday evening from 8 to 10 PM Registration link: <u>https://forms.gle/</u> <u>W7JGS8AzjogiaCxR8</u> EDGE - Fridays, bi-weekly from 6 to 8 PM Registration Link: <u>https://forms.gle/</u> <u>TpQm45ShGXDXu7ZCA</u>

Vocations

There was a man named John, sent by God, who came as a witness to testify to the Light, so that through this person all people might believe. Is it possible God could be calling your name to witness to the Light of Christ in our day? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, call Fr. Matt McCarthy (Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto) at 416-968-0997 or vocations@archtoronto.org

Website: www.vocationstoronto.ca

Flowers to Beautify Our Sanctuary This Christmas

If you wish to donate towards the cost of flowers for the church this Christmas, please place your donation in an envelope marked "Christmas Flowers" and drop it off at the parish office!

Marriage Preparation Course

SPRING 2024: April 13, 20 & 27 (12:30PM to 5PM) FALL 2024: Oct. 19, 26 & Nov. 2 (12:30PM to 5PM)

Engaged couples can register for the course at the parish office. The fee is \$125.00 per couple. Payment can be made in cash or cheque payable to Merciful Redeemer Parish.

Men Ignatian Silent Retreat

12 January at 7 p.m. - 14 January, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre, Pickering

"Give ear to my words, O LORD; give heed to my sighing." In the quiet of this retreat the words of the Psalms emerge in a way that helps us to pray. This wondrous book of hymns expresses in language, in poetry, in images, those emotions that dwell deep within us. Refreshed and stirred by the Psalms we discover in ourselves a renewed capacity and desire to present our own selves before God. The suggested offering is \$250 per person which includes 2 night's accommodation with meals, spiritual direction and retreat program. To register, email *registration@manresa.ca* or visit_www.manresa-canada.ca

Christmas & New Year's Schedule

ADVENT PARISH RECONCILIATION Wed., December 20 from 7 - 9 PM

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT Sat., December 23: 5 PM/7 PM Sun., December 24: 8:30 AM/10 AM/12 PM *NO evening Mass at 7 PM

CHRISTMAS EVE - Sun., December 24 4 PM/6 PM/9 PM/Midnight

CHRISTMAS DAY - Mon., December 25 8:30 AM/10 AM/12 PM *There will be NO evening Mass

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY Sat., December 30: 5 PM/7 PM Sun., December 31: 8:30 AM/10 AM/12 PM

NEW YEAR'S EVE MASS - Sun., December 31

7:00 p.m. *Followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction at Midnight

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD New Year's Day - Holy Day of Obligation Mon., January 1, 2024 10 AM & 12 PM *There will be NO 8:30 AM Mass & NO Evening Mass

"My prayer for you is that when Christ comes to you in Christmas, He may find in you a warm home, warm love like that of a heartful of love, like that of a simple shepherd who was the first one chosen to see Christ."

- St. Teresa of Calcutta

