

Merciful Redeemer Parish Bulletin

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OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Fri 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM **Saturday** 9:30 AM - 5:30 PM **Sunday** 9:30 AM - 1:30 PM

CHURCH & CHAPEL HOURS

Every Day 7:00 AM - 10:00 PM

CONFESSION

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

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Welcome!

Welcome to Merciful Redeemer! We are so happy to have you join our community. It is our hope that you find yourself at home here and join us regularly for Mass and events. Please enjoy this bulletin and visit our parish website, mercifulredeemer.org, for a full list of what the parish can offer you and your family. You are encouraged to drop by the office and register. Introduce yourself to us, we look forward to meeting you!

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Mass Times

Monday, Wednesday & Friday - 12:15 PM Tuesday, Thursday & First Friday - 7 PM Saturday - 9 AM Saturday Vigil - 5 PM | 7 PM Sunday - 8:30 AM | 10 AM | 12 PM | 7 PM

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PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Aloysius Gonzaga | Divine Mercy | Our Lady of Mercy | St. Rose of Lima | St. Sebastian

PARISH COMMUNITY

St. JP II TOB Prayer Group | Tues. 8:30 - 9:30 PM Contact tob@bell.net Merciful Moms | Thurs. 10:30 AM - 12 PM Contact jane@mercifulredeemer.org Legion of Mary | Wed. 7 PM Contact leilap9557@gmail.com Young Adult Ministry | Biweekly Thurs. 7 PM Contact faith@mercifulredeemer.org **Knights of Columbus** Contact gerryschlumberger@gmail.com Charismatic Prayer Group | Mon. 7 - 9 PM Men's Fraternity | Sat. 8 - 10 AM Society of St. Vincent de Paul | mrcssvp.ca Youth Ministry | linktr.ee/mercifulredeemerym **Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services** www.catholic-cemeteries.ca

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Mass Readings

First Reading: Jeremiah 33:14-16 Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2 Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Feast of the Immaculate Conception December 9 at Merciful Redeemer Parish

Join us for the Hour of Grace from 12 - 1 PM. We will begin the Hour of Grace by praying Psalm 51 three times with outstretched arms as it is projected on the screens. This will be followed by Holy Mass at 12:15 p.m. After Mass, please spend some time in quiet prayer. Thank you and may Our Blessed Mother bless you and your family.

2024 Christmas Gift Card Drive December 7/8 & December 14/15

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul will be starting it's annual Christmas gift card drive for our neighbours in need in our community. We are asking for grocery gift cards from FreshCo, Loblaws and Walmart. Monetary donations are also welcome! Gift cards will be collected by members of SSVP on December 7/8 and 14/15. Alternatively, feel free to leave donations in the poor box anytime during the Christmas season. Please include your receipt, name and address for income tax receipts for donations and or gift cards over \$20. Thank you for your generosity!

EDGE & LIFETEEN

We are excited to welcome you to Edge (Grades 6-8) and LifeTeen (Grades 9-12)! For more info on our youth ministry and to register, please visit www.mercifulredeemer.org/youth

EDGE - Fridays, bi-weekly from 6 to 8 PM **LifeTeen** - Saturdays, weekly from 8 to 10 PM

Crib Drive

The KofC will be collecting baby items to support families in need within our parish, as well as local pro-life charities. Some of the items needed include diapers and new or gently used winter clothing for babies up to 3 years old. Please leave your donations in the crate located in the church lobby. Thank you!

DONATION ENVELOPE BOXES 2025

Sunday offering envelope boxes are available for pick up in the church lobby. Please do not use them until January 2025. Contact the parish office if you do not have a box and would like to receive one for 2025 OR you would like to transition from offertory envelopes to preauthorized giving OR if there has been a change in your postal address. This will ensure that our database information is correct. We appreciate your co-operation!

Marriage

Couples planning to be married must contact a priest at least one year in advance, be registered parishioners, live within the parish boundaries, attend Mass regularly, and participate in a Marriage Preparation program. Please contact the Parish Office for more information

Marriage Preparation Course Spring 2025: Mar. 22, 29 & Apr. 5

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.

Merciful Redeemer KofC Christmas Party December 15

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting their annual Christmas party on December 15th from 1-5 PM. Tickets are on sale in the narthex after all Masses, as well as in the parish ofice. Adults are \$20 and kids under 12 are \$10. Come and enjoy a time of celebration with music, food, drinks, a magic show, gifts for the kids and lots more!

Bake Sale Dec 7/8 Weekend

We will be hosting a bake sale during the Dec. 7/8 weekend. It will take place after the Sat. 5 PM & 7 PM Masses, as well as the Sun. 8:30 AM, 10 AM & 12 PM Masses. All proceeds go to ShareLife! Email office@mercifulredeemer.org if you are interested in donating baked goods. They must be delivered to the church by Dec. 7th at 1 PM.

Christian Heritage Month Celebration December 4 from 8-9 a.m. Mississauga Civic Centre - 300 City Centre Dr.

We're delighted to invite you to a flag raising ceremony in celebration of Christian Heritage Month! Please plan to arrive 15 minutes early.

REDEEMED - Young Adult Ministry (18-35) Every 1st & 3rd Thursday at 7:00 p.m. Next Redeemed Night: December 5, 2024

Do you want to grow in holiness with a community of faithful young adults? Then join Redeemed for an advent adoration night featuring praise and worship and a short reflection by seminarian Michael Berlin-Riga followed by fellowship in the narthex! If you are between the ages of 18-35, this is a great opportunity to reconnect, recommit and renew your faith!

Missals

Please contact the parish office if you would like to pick up a missal for \$5.

Advent Parish Reconciliation December 18 from 7-9 p.m.

Are you prepared for the King? Join us for our Advent Day of Reconciliation on December 18 from 7-9 PM.

Christmas & New Year Schedule

CHRISTMAS EVE Tuesday, December 24 4 PM, 6 PM, 9 PM & midnight

CHRISTMAS DAY
Wednesday, December 25
8:30 AM, 10 AM, 12 PM

(There will be NO evening Mass)

NEW YEAR'S EVE Tuesday, December 31

(Followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction at midnight)

NEW YEAR'S DAY Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Wednesday, January 1

10 AM & 12 PM

(Holy day of obligation. There will be NO 8:30 AM Mass & NO Evening Mass)

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 2 | 12:15 PM

- + Cleofe Diago, + Nila Poerba,
- + Eduino Barbosa

Tuesday, December 3 | 7:00 PM

- + Joe Fernandes, + Daphane Dias
- + Francine Morson

Wednesday, December 4 | 12:15 PM

+ Paul David Ornelas

Special Intention for Sean Douglas Special Intention Robert & Bernadette Douglas & family

Thursday, December 5 | 7:00 PM

+ Malcolm Lee

Thanksgiving by the Ganji family Thanksgiving by Cecilia Seung Ja Nam

Friday, December 6 | 12:15 PM

- + John Hoare,
- + Victor Rodrigues
- + Souls in Purgatory

Friday, December 6 | 7 PM

- + Victor Rodrigues, + Nila Poerba
- + Anthony Pillai & Philomena

Saturday, December 7 | 9 AM

- + Joaquim Soares, + Andrew Barretto,
- + Madeline Hosein, + Margaret Mariani Special Intention of Pereira family Special Intention for Rose Hassanali Special Intention for John Gill Special Intention for Lou Salazar Thanksgiving by Rosie & Manny Uy

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Saturday, December 7 | 5 PM

- + Grace Misquita, + Hans-Werner Albert
- + Deceased Members of Luk & Chui families

Saturday, December 7 | 7 PM

+ Margaret & S. B. John, + Palmira Rodrigues Thanksgiving for Msgr Vid. Vlasic

Sunday, December 8 | 8:30 AM

- + Thomas & Elsie Thomas,
- + Tiberius Fernandes

Thanksgiving for Ryan & Flavia Fernandes

Sunday, December 8 | 10:00 AM

For all our parishioners

Sunday, December 8 | 12:00 PM

- + Danielle Rodrigues, + Concepcion Eguaras
- + Daniel Vieira

Sunday, December 8 | 7:00 PM

+ Marie Rosario

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