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## OFFICE HOURS

Appointment required

**Monday - Friday**

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

**Saturday**

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

## MASS TIMES

All Masses will now be  
livestreamed

**Mon, Wed and Fri**

12:15 PM

**Tues and Thurs**

7:00 PM

**Sat** 9:00 AM, 3:00 PM (*Vigil Mass*)

**Sun** 9:00 AM

## CHURCH HOURS

**Mon, Wed and Fri**

1:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**Tues and Thurs**

10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

**Sat** 10:00 AM - 2:30 PM

## ADORATION CHAPEL

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**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, 7:00 - 8:00 PM

**St. JP II Theology of the Body Prayer Group** Wednesdays, 9:00 - 10:00 PM, by Zoom, [tob@bell.net](mailto:tob@bell.net)

**Knights of Columbus** Michael Fonseca, [gk16254@ontariokofc.ca](mailto:gk16254@ontariokofc.ca)

**Men's Fraternity** Saturdays, 8:00-10:00 AM, by Zoom

**Merciful Moms** Tuesdays, 9:30-11:30 AM

**Youth Ministry** <https://mercifulredeemermi.archtoronto.org/en/parish-life/our-ministries/outreach/youth-ministry/>

**Forged Young Adult Ministry** [www.forgedministry.com](http://www.forgedministry.com)

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul** [www.mrcssvp.ca](http://www.mrcssvp.ca)

**Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services** [www.catholic-cemeteries.com](http://www.catholic-cemeteries.com)

**Bible Study Group** Wednesdays, 7:30-9:00 PM

## CONFESSION TIMES

**Tuesday** 6:00 - 7:00 PM

**Saturday** 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

## TODAY'S MASS READINGS

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**First Reading:** Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40

**Second Reading:** Romans 8:14-17

**Gospel:** Matthew 28:16-20

## WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

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### **Monday, May 31, 12:15 PM**

+ Frederick Charles Smith

+ Suzanne D'Sa

Special Intention for Romana Gella

### **Tuesday, June 1, 7:00 PM**

+ Maria Da Silva

+ Deceased Members of Khanbhai Family

+ Maria Isabel Caetano

### **Wednesday, June 2, 12:15 PM**

Thanksgiving by Ashley Vanderkoen

Special Intention for Robert & Bernadette Douglas & Family

Special Intention for Reneta & Stanley Drzewicki

### **Thursday, June 3, 7:00 PM**

+ Ana Rita Dias

+ Peter Rodrigues

+ Mervyn Hassanali

### **Friday, June 4, 12:15 PM**

+ Deceased Members of Coutinho Family

+ Swampillai & Philomena Anthonypillai

+ Holy Souls in Purgatory

Special Intention for the Pereira family

Thanksgiving by the Amores Family

### **Saturday, June 5, 9:00 AM**

+ John Pace

+ Alfonso Andrade

+ Joyce Fredricks

Special Intention for Roy Ilogon

### **Saturday, June 5, 3:00 PM**

+ Regina D'Souza

+ Holy Souls in Purgatory

### **Sunday, June 6, 9:00 AM**

+ Deceased Members of Bretana Family

+ Jacqueline Belamide Vergara

+ Roque Rodrigues

+ Margaret John

+ Juliet Trinidae

+ Dalmacio & Joel Palarca

+ Monica & Francisco De Vera Sr.

Thanksgiving by Dimple Chaudhry

Thanksgiving for all the blessings received.

## SUNDAY REFLECTION

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*"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations..."*

Ask yourself, as Moses did: "Did anything so great ever happen before?" We hear Moses remind the Israelites that our God has revealed the Divine Presence in many wonderful ways: from creation through the great signs of divine power done for God's people during the Exodus. God lovingly gave the chosen people commandments by which to live and the promise of a land where they would live long and prosperous lives.

Our Triune God continued to love his people. The Father sent the Son, Jesus, to dwell among us. And Jesus died and rose to save us from our sins. Jesus gave us the Holy Spirit as God's abiding Presence in us and among us. God sought us out in love and made us adopted children, brothers and sisters of Jesus. We have "received the Spirit of adoption, through whom we cry, 'Abba, Father.'" In prayer, Jesus taught us to approach God and call him "Father."

As adopted children, co-heirs with Jesus, we have the right to inherit the promised reign of God. The Spirit of God is always with us, enabling us to bear our sufferings with Jesus, so that we may also be glorified with Jesus.

St. Francis de Sales describes for us our promised eternal inheritance.

"We will see face to face and very clearly the Divine Majesty, the essence of God, and the mystery of the Most Holy Trinity. There we will understand and participate in those adorable conversations and divine colloquies which take place between the Father, Son and Holy Spirit." (Sermons for Lent, 1622, p. 63)

Ask yourself again: "Has anything so great ever happened before?" De Sales encourages us:

"Note well how ardently God desires us to be His, since to this end He has made Himself entirely ours. He gives us both His death and His life; His life so that we may be freed from eternal death; His death so that we can enjoy eternal life. Let us live in peace, then, and serve God to be His in this mortal life and still more so in life eternal." (Treatise on the Love of God, 3. 5)

All praise and honor to you: Father, Son and Holy Spirit!

Gospel Reflection CF: <https://oblates.squarespace.com/sundays-salesian-feed/the-most-holy-trinity-may-30-2021>

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## *Next Week's Readings*

**First Reading:** Exodus 24:3-8

**Second Reading:** Hebrew 9:11-15

**Gospel:** Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

### **Christian Life Program for Married Couples Every Sat, 5 June - 24 July from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Online event**

Couples for Christ (CFC) is a recognized Catholic movement with a mission to renew and strengthen Christian family life in order to truly build "domestic churches," as envisioned by the Second Vatican Council. Married couples who are interested in joining the CFC movement are invited to participate in an introductory eight-week course, which is called the Christian Life Program (CLP). There are no fees required to attend. The only investment needed is your time and openness.

**Email:** wydmarck@gmail.com

**Website:** [www.couplesforchrist.ca](http://www.couplesforchrist.ca)

### **Growing in Wisdom: Seeking Deeper Generativity 4 June from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and 5 June from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Online event**

This two-year program beginning in September 2021 provides us with an opportunity to be deeply present to our own aging process, allowing us to receive its unique gifts.

Interested in learning more? Join us to hear from keynote speakers: Fr. Ron Rolheiser, OMI; Rev. Mary Earle; and Dr. Maggie Meigs.

**Cost:** \$25

**Phone:** 905-278-5229

**Email:** [office@qoa.ca](mailto:office@qoa.ca)

**Website:** <https://sites.google.com/site/queenofapostlesca/>

### **Merciful Redeemer ShareLife Campaign**

Thanks to your generosity, so far we've raised \$93, 135. To donate, please visit our parish website!

### **St Vincent de Paul Society**

As you know, due to Covid we had to cancel the bundle up drive for May. If you still wish to drop off clothing, linens draperies and boots/shoes, you can do so directly to the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul store in Etobicoke.

**Store address:** 60 Newcastle Street, Etobicoke

Store and Warehouse Outlet (Royal York and Evans)

**Hours of Operation:** 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. from Tuesday to Saturday

**Email:** [stores@ssvptoronto.ca](mailto:stores@ssvptoronto.ca)

You can leave your items in the open bin at this location. Thank you for your donations and helping those in need. Many blessings!!

### **Online Sacred Heart Novena Retreat from St. Augustine's Seminary 3 - 11 June**

Our online retreat is made up of a series of 30-minute video presentations. Each video is a short retreat conference and will feature a priest from the seminary community. To conclude the retreat, you are invited to join a livestream Mass from St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica presided by Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto.

**YouTube:** <http://bit.ly/StAugustineSeminaryYouTube>

### **Change of Address**

If your home address or telephone number has changed, please send us an email at [register@mercifulredeemer.org](mailto:register@mercifulredeemer.org).

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- 1) Download **myParish App**
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# NEWS & UPDATES!

## *Adoration Chapel*

### **Monday, Wednesday, Friday**

1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

### **Tuesday, Thursday**

10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

### **Saturday**

10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

### **Please observe the following:**

MAXIMUM of 9 Visitors at a time

(The Church is also available private prayer.)

### **SIGN IN and OUT at each visit**

(Use the Registered\* or Drop-in Visitors' log)

### **SANITIZE your area before leaving**

**CLOSE the Angelic Doors covering the Monstrance if the Chapel will be empty when you leave**

Register with the Adoration Ministry at (905) 812-0030 ext. 9 or email [adoration@mercifulredeemer.org](mailto:adoration@mercifulredeemer.org) with your name, phone number and day and time of the regular weekly hour visit you promise to keep.

## **Humanitarian Relief – India's COVID-19 Outbreak**

India is reeling from a devastating COVID-19 outbreak. In recent days, the country has been reporting more than 400,000 of new cases and 4,000 deaths every 24 hours. International observers expect that the actual numbers are significantly higher. The medical system, funeral services and other social supports are unable to meet the country's needs at this time.

In response to numerous inquiries from parishioners and clergy, we are providing information for those who may wish to contribute to relief efforts to assist the people of India.

The Archdiocese of Toronto will send donations through Development and Peace to Caritas Internationalis, an international confederation of Catholic humanitarian organizations that is already in India helping those who

are suffering during this COVID-19 outbreak.

Since the pandemic began, India's Catholic Church, acting principally through Caritas India, has been supporting some of the most disadvantaged groups, such as those with inadequate housing, migrant labourers, persons with special needs and widows. Relief services and materials provided by the Church, or with its support, include:

- Food at kitchens and distribution centres in slums, at migration transit points, etc.
- Masks, sanitizers and hygiene kits to vulnerable communities
- Psychosocial support and hotline services to traumatized and grieving people
- Public education campaigns on infection prevention and vaccination
- Supporting the public healthcare system, including donating expertise, facilities and equipment from Church-run clinics and hospitals

To learn more about Caritas' work in India, please watch this video: <http://bit.ly/CaritasIndiaRelief>

**Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:**

- Online through [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org)
- By phone through the Development Office – 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to: Name of Parish – India's COVID-19 Outbreak – Disaster Relief

Please continue to pray for the people of India and all those who are suffering from COVID-19 worldwide.



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TO BE  
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DISCIPLES  
OF JESUS  
CHRIST

## MERCIFUL REDEEMER YOUTH MINISTRY

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**For High School Students (Gr. 9-12)**

Every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month, 4:30-6 PM  
Next Life Night: Saturday, June 12th, 2021

Lifeteen is a high-school youth ministry that strives to lead teens closer to Christ by strengthening our teens' Catholic identity, while also rooting them firmly in Christ and in His Church. If you are interested in joining the program in our parish, please register your child using the link found on the parish website. Once you register your child with the link provided, you will automatically be sent the Zoom link before every Life night. Attend our second last Life night of the year where we will be talking about living out our faith in the public square!



**For Middle School Students (Gr. 6-8)**

Every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month, 4:30-6 PM  
Next Edge Night: June 5th, 2021

\* Join us for one of our final Edge nights where we will be talking about social media.\*

Edge is a middle-school ministry program that aims to offer a safe and fun environment where you can learn more about your faith. If interested, please register using the link found on the parish website. Once you register your child with the link provided, you will automatically be sent the Zoom link before every Edge night.

### *Save The Date*

#### **Summer Opportunities**

##### **Edge Camp 2021**

**NEW DATES\* 29 August - 2 September**

Edge Camp is for all those who are currently in Gr. 6-8 and all participants must already be registered in our edge ministry program. For more details on how to register, please contact Danielle, the youth minister.

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**“Holiness consists simply in doing God’s will, and being just what God wants us to be”**

*-Therese of Lisieux*

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# The Saints: Service and Faith Through Depression

*(This is the last article of a 3-part series...take a look at our previous two bulletins to catch up!)*

## St. Teresa of Calcutta

Macedonian born Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu would experience deep bouts of depression over her life, but her vigor to serve never diminished. Known worldwide as “Mother Teresa,” Bojaxhiu was born into relative comfort in the capital city of Skopje in 1910. Her devout Roman Catholic family benefitted from her father’s success as an entrepreneur and lived well until her father’s sudden death in 1919.

Her mother remained remarkably charitable following the family crisis, opening her home to the hungry even as the young family faced financial struggles. Her actions left an indelible mark on the young Agnes, who would one day found the Missionaries of Charity.

At the age of 18, Agnes followed the call to religious life to Dublin, Ireland, where she would join the Sisters of Loreto. A year later, as a novice, she would be sent to Darjeeling, India, to teach girls from low-income families. She excelled in her assignment, mastering Bengali and Hindi and devoting her energy to drawing her students to Christ. “Give me the strength to be ever the light of their lives, so that I may lead them at last to you,” she would write.

In 1944, she became the school’s principal, but unexpectedly, she would request to break her vow of obedience to her order two years later to adhere to a “call within a call.” Riding a train to the Himalayan foothills for a retreat, Agnes would hear Christ’s voice calling her to minister to the destitute and sick in the slums of Calcutta.

Living among the poorest of the poor, Mother Teresa began her work with a familiar endeavor—opening a school. She would follow that with a home for the dying and further the work with the establishment of a leper colony, orphanage, family clinic, and mobile health clinics. Her fearless service inspired global attention and funded ministries to the poor and sick across the world.

Mother Teresa’s Missionaries of Charity created 610 foundations in more than 120 countries worldwide by the time of her death in 1997. The Missionaries of Charity included more than 4,000 members. St. Teresa’s impact was incredible, and yet she experienced years of intense, spiritual darkness—a fear that God had abandoned her.

Published posthumously, *Come Be My Light*, a collection of her personal writings, would reveal a deep feeling of separation from God, one that would haunt the saint for nearly fifty years. Though she navigated the political, social, and cultural intricacies of her mission with determination and

ease, her writings revealed a spiritual desert; a revelation that would baffle her admirers.

Though human nature is prone to self-centeredness, St. Teresa outpoured herself. The paradox of her suffering drove her persistence. She ministered to the sick, the poor, the weak, the hungry, the naked, and in doing so, served Christ, held Christ, fed Christ, clothed Christ. In walking the streets of Calcutta, in carrying the burdens of the poor, so too could she share in Christ’s cross.

In nearly five decades, the saint would only record one brief reprieve from this interior struggle. When Pope Pius XII died in 1958, a requiem Mass was celebrated in the Calcutta cathedral. Attending the service, Teresa wrote, “Today my soul is filled with love.” The pontiff had approved her mission in the slums and the saint would see this as proof that God had indeed called her to the work.

In an excerpt from her book, *St. Teresa of Calcutta: Missionary, Mother, Mystic*, Kerry Walters, writes, “So it was perhaps inevitable, given that she shared in the suffering of the people she served, that Teresa would eventually discern her own inner poverty as a share in the suffering of Christ himself. She remembered the oath she’d made back in 1942 never to deny God anything asked of her, and she realized that loyalty to the oath meant embracing God’s withdrawal.” She died September 5, 1997, her final words, written on paper, “I want Jesus.”

## Hope, Service, Action, Community

Though he mourned John the Baptist, Jesus returned to land and fed five thousand.

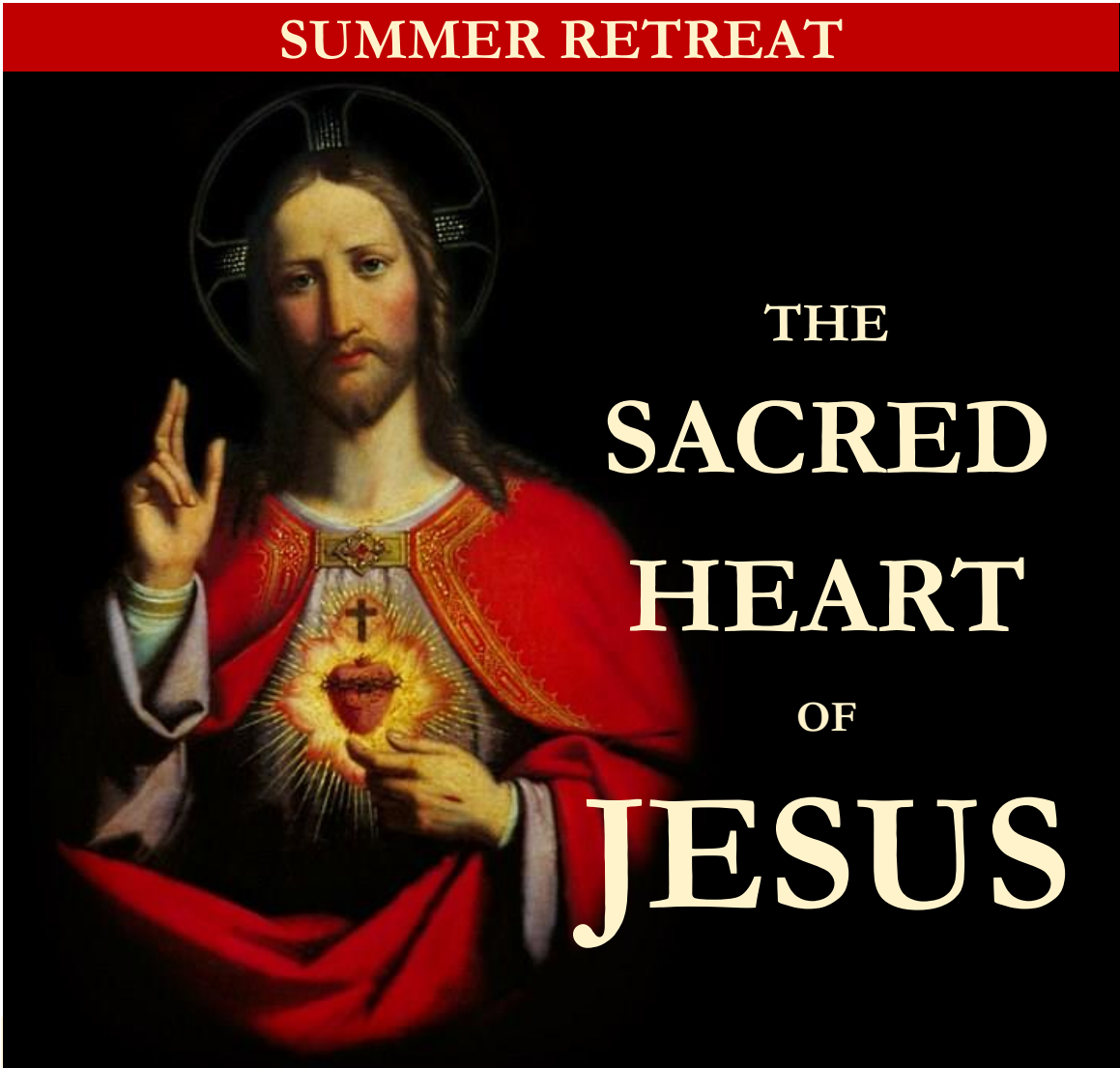
Though he wept for Lazarus, he brought him out of death to life.

Though he agonized in the garden, he offered himself willingly on the Cross. From the great suffering of that Cross came the Resurrection. There is a light at the end of darkness, and as Pope St. John Paul II said, “We are an Easter People.”

Great saints faced hardship and depression with service and action, surrender and hope. In a culture overwhelmed by the material, they were able to attain spiritual riches.

Article CF: <https://media.ascensionpress.com/2021/05/05/the-saints-service-and-faith-through-depression/>

SUMMER RETREAT



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Saturday, June 26, 2021 | 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

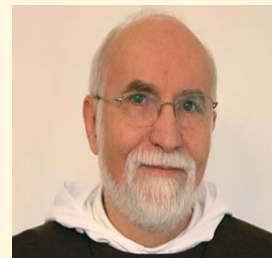
LIVE WEBINAR

*Presented by*

**Fr Jacques Philippe**

Registration: <https://summer2021retreat.eventbrite.ca>

All are welcome. (Suggested offering \$10 per person)



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This May, as we celebrate  
500 years of Christianity in the  
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graciously hosts the

# Flores de María

A virtual celebration honouring  
the Blessed Virgin Mary



**Sunday, May 30;  
at 2:00 pm**

Healing Rosary, Coronation of the  
Blessed Mother and Holy Mass with  
Fr. Mario Lorenzana, c.s. and  
Fr. Norbert Eyule.

Live on the Facebook & YouTube  
channels of St. Paschal Baylon Parish  
and @500yocTO ([www.ph500toronto.com](http://www.ph500toronto.com))



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