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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Saturday
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

CHURCH HOURS

9:00 AM - 9:00 PM

MASS TIMES

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Monday 12:15 PM

Tuesday 7:00 PM

Wednesday 12:15 PM

Thursday 7:00 PM

Friday 12:15 PM & 7:00 PM*

*First Fridays of the month only

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

Sunday 8:30 AM
10:00 AM
12:00 PM
5:00 PM
7:00 PM

ADORATION CHAPEL

9:00 AM - 9:00 PM

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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 Mondays 9:00 - 10:00 PM, via Zoom, tob@bell.net

Knights of Columbus Michael Fonseca, fs@saintfaustina.ca

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

Merciful Moms Tuesdays, 8:30-9:30 PM, via Zoom,
jane@mercifulredeemer.org

Youth Ministry mercifulredeemermi.archtoronto.org/en/parish-life/our-ministries/outreach/youth-ministry/

Forged Young Adult Ministry

Society of St. Vincent de Paul mrcssvp.ca

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services catholic-cemeteries.com

Bible Study Group Wednesdays, 7:45 - 9:30 PM, via Zoom

CONFESSION TIMES

Tuesday 6:00 - 7:00 PM

Saturday 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 13, 12:15 PM

+ Agnes Kwok-Sun
Thanksgiving by Uma
Thanksgiving by Therese Morcos

Tuesday, December 14, 7:00 PM

+ Rocky Edralin, + Salah Bashir, + Aurelia Fronda
Thanksgiving by Jeanne Marroqin

Wednesday, December 15, 12:15 PM

+ Hansel Caballero
Special Intention for Tani Odukale
Thanksgiving for Aaron George

Thursday, December 16, 7:00 PM

+ Giacobbe & Mariana Rainaldi, + Andrew Barretto
+ Henry Piatkowski, + Arcia Paul

Friday, December 17, 12:15 PM

+ Laz Fernandes, + Violeta Visperas
+ Ron Catahan

Saturday, December 18, 9:00 AM

+ Scholastica & Matthew Menezes, + Rosy Lewis
+ Antonio Martins, + Joao & Maria Martins,
+ Antonio & Virginia Silva, + Trina Wijanco,
+ Jerome Nguyen, + Atenisca Fedele,
+ Herminia Madayag, + Dalmacio Palarca
Special Intention for Annie Barretto

Saturday, December 18, 5:00 PM

+ Deceased Members of Gallaro & Sirianni Families
Thanksgiving by Luk & Chui Families
Thanksgiving for Josefina Castro

Saturday, December 18, 7:00 PM

+ Sylvia Dsouza, + Onorina Verzini, + Marek Zabinski

Sunday, December 19, 8:30 AM

+ Rose Chetcuti, + Holy Souls in Purgatory,
+ Deceased Members of the Village of Erin Meadows
Special Intention for Residents & Staff of Erin Meadows

Sunday, December 19, 10:00 AM

For all parishioners

Sunday, December 19, 12:00 PM

+ Evarist & Apolonia D'Souza
Thanksgiving by Paul B.
Thanksgiving by Marian M.

Sunday, December 19, 5:00 PM

+ Cesar Agoncillo, + Wilbur Smith, + Eloy Salazar,
+ Frank Costello
+ Jonathan, Melanie & Dereck Nogueira
Thanksgiving by Bartholomew & Catharina Lee

Please remember in your prayers all who have recently died, especially: + Dereck Christian Nogueira, + Oreste Apolito

SUNDAY REFLECTION

"He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."

In today's Gospel we continue to experience John the Baptist urging us to conversion. He tells us to give of our abundance, have a sense of integrity in our daily activities, and know who we are and who Our Messiah is. St. Francis de Sales notes:

John the Baptist is too great a lover of truth to be carried away by ambition. He informs those who came to him that he is not the Messiah. He tells us, we must look into our actions, reforming those that are not of good intentions and perfecting those that are.

John the Baptist was a firm rock, a man possessed of unshakable stability in the midst of changing circumstances. He has courage to admit who he is. Indeed, he who truly knows himself is not annoyed when he is held and treated for what he is. Surely, it is a sign of great interior conversion when God gives us light to know who we are.

To be a Christian is the most beautiful title we can give ourselves. Yet, it is not enough to be called a Christian. We must live in a way that one recognizes clearly in us a person who loves God with his or her whole heart. One who keeps the Commandments and frequents the sacraments, and who does things worthy of a true Christian.

When we know we are loved, we are compelled to love in return. So it is when we live our life in Christ. The sacred love of Christ presses down upon us in a special way to have us share our abundance with others. Compassion makes us share the sufferings, sorrows and affections of those we love. Mothers and fathers suffer because of the great afflictions of their children. The dearer one is to us the deeper one's welfare enters into our heart. Whether their welfare is sad or joyful, we commiserate with them. Our goal is to act with only one intention: conforming ourselves to the true image of God in us. For the reason why Jesus came, was to show us our true self in God.

Article Cf: <https://oblates.squarespace.com/sundays-salesian-feed/third-sunday-of-advent-december-12-2021-Q84Oz>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Mass Readings

First Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18a

Second Reading: Philippians 4:4-7

Gospel: Luke 3:10-18

Sunday Missals

2022 Sunday Missals & Calendars are available for 5 dollars each. Please email secretary@mercifulredeemer.org to purchase your copy (\$5) here at the parish office.

Tax Receipts

Please note that we close our books on December 31, 2021. Tax receipts will be mailed out in mid February, 2022. If you have made credit card donations through our website, receipts will be issued to you directly by the Archdiocese of Toronto. If you have any questions, please email office@mercifulredeemer.org. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continuous support to the parish especially during the pandemic. May the Lord shower his blessings upon you now and always.

Vocations

Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother, or sister and announce the Good News to His People as John the Baptist did? Contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 or vocations@archtoronto.org

Website: www.vocationstoronto.ca

Change of Address

If your home address or telephone number has changed, please send us an email at register@mercifulredeemer.org

Parish Ministries

Many ministries are now operating again, though not their regular form. Please contact your parish ministry for start-up information and other updates (contact information can be found on our parish website under "Parish Life").

2022 SUNDAY OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

2022 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES are available for pick up in the church lobby. Envelopes are arranged ALPHABETICALLY by lastname. Please DO NOT begin using these envelopes until January. You are requested to adhere to all Health protocols and hand sanitize after you have taken your envelope box. Kindly note parishioners with envelope numbers from 1251 onwards may be assigned a different number for 2022. If you cannot find your box or if you are currently not using envelopes but are interested in obtaining Sunday Offering Envelopes, please contact the parish office.

Christmas and New Years Schedule

Our Christmas and New Years schedule is here! Please see page 5 of the bulletin or our parish website for more information.

On the Road to Union with God

7 January at 7:00 p.m. - 9 January, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.
Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre, 2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering

A silent Ignatian weekend retreat for men. Generally, there are three broad recognizable stages as we grow closer to God: the purgative stage, the illuminative stage and the unitive stage. We will explore this journey with the help of the life of the saints, persons like you and me, who had to get in touch with their own human frailty along their own unique life-journey. The hope is that the retreatant comes to a higher understanding of self in relation to our infinite loving and merciful God in the context of their own earthly life-journey. Facilitated by Fr. Henk van Meijel, SJ.

A suggested offering of \$235 per person. Includes two nights' accommodation, meals, program and spiritual direction.

Register: <https://manresa-canada.ca/>

Contact: registration@manresa.ca

Phone: 905-839-2864

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LOVE, WALK WITH & EMPOWER THE YOUTH OF OUR COMMUNITY

TO BE JOYFUL & FEARLESS

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For High School Students (Gr. 9-12)
Every Saturday from 5:15 - 7:00 PM

See you at our social on Saturday, 18 December.

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. We welcome all youth to join us in-person every Saturday evening from 5:15-7 PM. Come participate in an evening full of faith, friendship, small groups and so much more. All COVID-19 protocols will be followed and enforced.

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Lifeteen 21/22 Registration Form: <https://forms.gle/TaF4UraczobZxvSe7>

*Note: Due to limited spots in our parish hall, we will be doing weekly signups before each Life night. The Sign up link opens every Monday night at 5:30 PM. Link will be sent to your email after completing the registration form.



For Middle School Students (Gr. 6-8)
Tuesdays from 5:30 - 7:00 PM

(Edge will run bi-weekly; There will be 2 cohort groups for this year)

Cohort A: 14 December 2021

Cohort B: 21 December 2021

(Both in-person)

Edge is a middle-school ministry program that aims to offer a safe and fun environment where children can learn more about their faith and find community. EDGE will be in-person on Tuesdays, bi-weekly, from 5:30-7 PM. Join us for an evening of games, a talk, small groups, fellowship and a lot more. You won't want to miss it!

Please use the following link for the one-time EDGE registration form: forms.gle/huxPeTBPXicnRE1w7

See you soon!



EDGE Christmas Social!

We would like to invite all children in Gr. 6-8 to our Edge Christmas social on **Friday, December 17th**. We will be meeting in the parish basement hall from **6-8 PM**.

Wear your favourite Christmas outfits. There will be festive games, packaged snacks and prizes to be won. Registration is required - Link found here: <https://forms.gle/9v2tejo5xZWQBfDg8>

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

EVENTS IN THE ARCHDIOCESE

Daughters of Isabella Clothing Drive
5 December, 2021 - 16 December, 2021
Great Hall, Mississauga Civic Centre
300 City Centre Drive, Mississauga

The Daughters of Isabella invites you all to please donate generously to our mittens, scarfs and hats drive for Children! All items collected will go to the Salvation Army.

'Twas the Night Before Christmas Children's Play

18 December, 2021
7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (Virtual)

Join CCRC's Children's Ministry for a virtual Christmas play, 'Twas the Night Before Christmas. An evening of fun, songs and crafts.

Contact: Sandra Brum
Email: Childrenministryccrc@gmail.com
Website: <https://ccrctoronto.com/children-ministry>
Youtube: www.youtube.com/c/CCRCToronto

Virtual CWL Advent Reflection
18 December, 2021 from 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Come join the Catholic Women's League of St. Monica's Parish for an Advent reflection with Fr. Graham Keep, who has spoken at events all over the world. Rosary will also be said during this reflection.

Email: cwlstmonica@gmail.com
Website: <https://cwl-st-monica.mailchimpsites.com/>
Register: <https://bit.ly/CWLAdventReflection>

PARISH EVENTS

K. of C. Charitable Christmas Drives

Visit mercifulredeemer.archtoronto.org to check out all of the charitable drives being held by the Knights of Columbus this Christmas season!

Knights of Columbus Food and Crib Drive
28 November, 2021 - 19 December, 2021

The Knights of Columbus will be collecting food and baby items to support families in need within our parish, as well as local charities. Some of the most wanted items include diapers and new or gently used winter clothing for babies 0-3. Parishioners are asked to drop off their donations in the crate located in the church lobby. Thank you for your support and generosity.

Advent Confessions
Wednesday, 15 December, 2021
Merciful Redeemer Parish

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Christmas and New Years Schedule

Registration through Eventbrite is **MANDATORY** and will open **Dec 12 at 2:00 PM**. Please visit our website for more info and to register.

CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES

Friday 24 December 2021

4:00/6:00/8:00/10:00 p.m./Midnight

CHRISTMAS DAY

Saturday 25 December 2021

8:30 & 10:00 a.m./12:00 Noon
(NO EVENING MASS)

NEW YEAR'S EVE MASSES

Friday 31 December 2021

5:00/7:00 p.m.*

*Followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction at Midnight

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Holy Day of Obligation

Saturday 1 January 2022

8:30 & 10:00 a.m./12 Noon.
(NO EVENING MASS)