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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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#### **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, 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** <u>mercifulredeemermi.archtoronto.org/en/parish-life/</u>our-ministries/outreach/youth-ministry/

Forged Young Adult Ministry
Society of St. Vincent de Paul <u>mrcssvp.ca</u>
Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services <u>catholic-cemeteries.com</u>
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

#### WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

#### Monday, December 27, 12:15 PM

+ Esperanza Gangora Thanksgiving by the Lazaro Family Thanksgiving by Edward & Lulu Rodrigues

#### Tuesday, December 28, 7:00 PM

- + Emeterio Romano
- + Joseph D'Souza
- + Mervyn Hassanali

#### Wednesday, December 29, 12:15 PM

- + Collin D'Mello
- + Mathias & Ancy Pereira
- + Farag Makram

#### Thursday, December 30, 7:00 PM

- + Monica Tavares
- + Sylvia Mangahas
- + Aurelia Fronda
- + Bruna Lucantoni

#### Friday, December 31, 9:00 AM

- + Sylvia Dsouza
- + Holy Souls in Purgatory Thanksgiving

# Friday, December 31, NEW YEAR'S EVE 5:00 PM 7:00 PM

Saturday, January 1
SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
NEW YEAR'S DAY
8:30 AM
10:00 AM
Noon
(NO EVENING MASSES)

#### Sunday, January 2, 8:30 AM

- + Peter Hlynsky
- + Marianna & Ludwick Broniek Special Intention for Flavia & Ryan Fernandes

#### Sunday, January 2, 10:00 AM

For all parishioners

#### Sunday, January 2, 12:00 PM

+ Margaret & S. B. John Thanksgiving by Dimple Chaudhry Thanksgiving for Edlyn & Vivienne De Souza

#### Sunday, January 2, 5:00 PM

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

#### Sunday, January 2, 7:00 PM

- + Joseph Furtado
- + Arthur Rosario

#### **SUNDAY REFLECTION**

"After three days they found him in the temple sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions."

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. We tend to forget that the First Family of the Christian Church had their trials too, as St. Francis de Sales notes:

We are often upset because things don't succeed the way we want them to. What we desire was not found even in the family of our Lord. Think of the difficulties and changes, joys and sorrow found in the Holy Family. Mary received news that she would conceive of the Holy Spirit a Son, our Lord and Savior. What joy this was for her! Shortly afterward Joseph, seeing that she was with child and knowing that it was not by him, was plunged into distress! Mary was in grief, seeing her dear Joseph was about to leave her. When this storm passed, they experienced great joy. There was also joy in their hearts when the shepherds and Magi came.

However, a little later, the angel of the Lord said to Joseph in a dream, "Take the child and His mother and flee into Egypt." Without doubt Mary and Joseph were troubled by this command. But was Joseph's response: "Why do I have to go at night? Couldn't this journey wait till the morning? I have neither horse nor money." If we had been in Joseph's place, would we not have made a thousand excuses? Whereas he promptly did all that the angel commanded. The peace and serenity of mind of Mary and Joseph shows their constant openness to do God's will amid all the unexpected events that befell them.

We too, when we meet similar problems in our lives, must repeat over and over again to ourselves, so as the better to impress the truth on our minds, that no disturbance of events must ever carry away our hearts and minds into unevenness of temper. Like the Holy Family, God will guide us on our way no matter how difficult it may be.

Article Cf: https://oblates.squarespace.com/sundays-salesian-feed/feast-of-the-holy-family-december-26-2021-ZASnb

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## Today's Mass Readings

First Reading: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14
Second Reading: Colossians 3:12-21 or 3:12-17
Gospel: Luke 2:41-52

#### Spiritus Vitae Event at Merciful Redeemer Parish 2 February, 2022 from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord

Join us for a night of adoration, silent reflection, talks and fellowship. Confessions will also be available.

7:00 p.m. - 8:20 p.m.: Talk & small group discussions in the Church hall

8:20 - 9:00 PM: Adoration & confessions in the Church

#### The Cardinal's Message for the Synod on Synodality

Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, shares his thoughts on the Synod on Synodality, which will examte the direction of the Church. To learn more, please visit <a href="https://www.archtoronto.org/synodality">www.archtoronto.org/synodality</a>

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.

#### 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)

#### 2022 Sunday Offertory Envelopes

Sunday Offertory Envelopes for 2022 are available for pick up in the church lobby. Please do not begin using these envelopes until January. Kindly note some of you may have been assigned a new number.

If you cannot find your box or would like to obtain a new box please contact the parish office. We thank you for your generosity and support and encourage you to pick up your box as soon as possible. Also, please notify the Parish Office if your address has changed to ensure you receive a tax receipt for donations made this year.

#### PRE-AUTHORIZED SUNDAY OFFERINGS (PAG)

During this time, choosing to donate through Preauthorized donations is much safer for all involved. Your donation is automatically transferred from your bank account to the parish once each month. You can decide the amount you wish to give, which can be changed at any time. If you want to sign up for this, please contact the parish office. We will email you forms that must be filled in and signed, then returned to the parish office in a sealed envelope with a void blank cheque or electronically to office@mercifulredeemer. org. All information is kept strictly confidential. The withdrawal will be made once a month around the 20th of the month.

#### Vocations

By Baptism we are God's holy family. Pray today for the grace to live faithfully your vocation as a single, married, ordained, or consecrated person. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 or vocations@archtoronto. org

Website: www.vocationstoronto.ca

#### Want to Know More About The Bible?

You can now access our Bible study archive at https://mercifulredeemermi.archtoronto.org/en/resources/catholic-resources/ where you'll find weekly notes from past studies like Revelation, Isaiah, Genesis and many more!



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### MERCIFUL REDEEMER YOUTH MINISTRY

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For High School Students (Gr. 9-12) Every Saturday from 5:15 - 7:00 PM Lifeteen will resume in January 2022. We hope all of you have a fruitful Christmas break!

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.

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)

Both Cohort A and B will resume in the new year in January 2022. Have a safe and blessed Christmas!

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

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### **EVENTS IN THE ARCHDIOCESE**

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Prayer Service 2022

23 January, 2022 from 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Orthodox Church 920 Progress Ave., Scarborough

Join Cardinal Thomas Collins and a wide representation of Christian leaders to pray for the restoration of full visible unity willed by Jesus Christ for the Church. This event is jointly organized by the Office for Promoting Christian Unity and the Greater Toronto Area Council of Christian Churches. All are welcome to attend in person or watch the livestream on Facebook at: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/TorontoArmenianChurch">www.facebook.com/TorontoArmenianChurch</a>.

For details, please visit: https://bit.ly/3Gm0CZj

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:** <a href="https://manresa-canada.ca/">https://manresa-canada.ca/</a> **Contact:** <a href="mailto:registration@manresa.ca">registration@manresa.ca</a>

Phone: 905-839-2864

Openness to Christ' Words: A Path of Encounter and Conversion

28 January , 2022 at 7:00 p.m. - 30 January, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.

Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre, 2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering

A silent Ignatian weekend retreat for men. During this three-day retreat, we will focus on the Ignatian method of contemplation that suggests the use of our senses (SE 106) to contemplate together some of the significant moments of Jesus' encounter with His audience and the healing and transformative process that followed as a result of these encounters. Fundamental to this is the role of the Holy Spirit that allows people to open their hearts to the Divine Grace which transforms, restores and re-creates. Facilitated by Fr. Jean Francky Guerrier, SJ.

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

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Witnessing the Beatitudes Around Us 4 February, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. - 6 February, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.

Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre, 2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering

A silent Ignatian weekend retreat for women. With so much animosity and tension all around us perhaps it would be good to be reminded of the gentle spirit of the Beatitudes – that there are people like this still around us to prayerful learn and gain spiritual strength from. This will be a multisensory retreat looking at the Beatitudes through film, images and imaginative writing. Facilitated by Fr. Trevor Scott, SJ.

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

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