
St. Mary

of the people parish



SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 P.M.
Sunday 9:00 A.M., 11:00 A.M.

DAILY MASSES

Tuesday to Saturday 8:30 A.M.

ROSARY

Daily recitation following morning Mass at approx 9:00 A.M.

HOLY HOUR & BENEDICTION

Thursdays 7:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.
Fridays 9:15 A.M. - 10:15 A.M.

ALL DAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

First Friday of Each Month concluding with 7 P.M. Mass.

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

Tuesday - Saturday following morning Mass

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTION

Wednesday during morning Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 3:30 - 4:45 P.M. or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Contact the office for information

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Notice must be received one year in advance.
Couples must attend a marriage preparation course.

PASTOR

Fr. David Bollo - Pastor

RECTORY OFFICE

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

SCHOOLS

St. Christopher's (905) 725-7672
Paul Dwyer Catholic High (905) 723-5255

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Catholic Womens League (905) 728-2212
Knights of Columbus (905) 728-2212
St. Vincent de Paul (905) 213-3860
Natural Family Planning (Rose) (905) 683-9055
Catholic Cemeteries (Resurrection) (905) 668-8912

BULLETIN

Copy must be in to office no later than Monday 4:00 P.M.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please register using forms at back of Church or at Office.

Mass Intentions for the Week



Sat Dec 11	5:00	All Parishioners of St Mary of the People Parish
Sun Dec 12	9:00	Multiple Intention Mass Joseph Filipetto Mila Zovak Teresa Belko Bernard Koster Joe & Lorraine Corey Armando & Ida Occhiuzzi Souls in Purgatory
	11:00	All Parishioners of St Mary of the People Parish
Tue Dec 14	8:30	Nicola Saccone req Gino & Louisa Romano
Wed Dec 15	8:30	Frank Bradica req Iva Bradica
Thur Dec 16	8:30	Multiple Intention Mass Mila Zovak Teresa Belko Justin Soln Bernard Koster Teresa Di Padova Giovanni & Mariana Corvinelli
Fri Dec 17	8:30	Bill Jeffers req Carol Jeffers
Sat Dec 18	8:30	Maria Prudenza De Filippis req Family
	5:00	Barb Lambourne req Family
Sun Dec 19	9:00	All Parishioners of St Mary of the People Parish
	11:00	Multiple Intention Mass Gilda Romano Teresa Belko John Gallo Barb Lambourne Giuseppe Scanga Maria Prudenza De Filippis Joseph Sr & Lina Miniaci

CHRISTMAS MASSES

MASS ATTENDANCE ON CHRISTMAS WILL BE

RESERVATION ONLY.

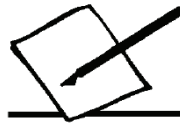
The first 100 people will have a spot reserved. Once we reach the 100 we are at capacity and will not be able to let anyone else in.

To reserve a spot please call the office (905-728-2212) during office hours Monday to Friday 9am – 4pm

You may also sign up after all Sunday Masses this weekend and next at the entrance to the Church

Christmas Mass Schedule

Friday December 24	7:00 PM & 11:00 PM
Saturday December 25	9:00 AM & 11:00 AM



From the Pastor's Desk

TODAY'S GOSPEL: Today, the Third Sunday of Advent, is also the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. How appropriate to celebrate this fiesta of love and liberation while the church throughout the world is invited to rejoice in the new things God is doing among us! The celebration of the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe on the Third Sunday of Advent creates a unique invitation for our own time. Our turmoil includes a pandemic and its attendant economic and social disruptions, increasing numbers of people on the move seeking a way to survive, and the church's 2022 road toward creating a religious culture of synodality that can teach us to appreciate the diverse experience and insights of all who are called together by Christ. This feast day offers us individual and communal invitations to conversion. On the personal level, Zephaniah and Our Lady of Guadalupe invite us to hear the message of God's indomitable love and presence among us. On a communal level, Mary's reiteration of God's attention to the suffering of the poor and oppressed pleads with us to heed John's instructions. John called for social reform, telling tax collectors and soldiers to begin to act with justice. Our task now is to apply his style of reform to our own professions and social structures.

DAY OF CONFESSION: In preparation for Christmas, our parish will have some extended hours of confession. In addition to Saturday afternoon, 4:00 to 4:45 p.m., the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on Wednesday, December 15th 9:30 – 11 a.m.; 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the church sacristy. There will be **no** Confession on Saturday, December 25th.

ON THE WAY TO UNION WITH GOD: Friday, January 7th – 7 p.m. to Sunday, January 9th – 1 p.m. at Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre, 2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering. A silent Ignatian weekend retreat for men. With the help of the saints, we will explore the journey through the purgative, illuminative and unitive stages as we grow closer to God. The hope is that the retreatant comes to a higher understanding of self in relationship to our loving and merciful God. Facilitated by Fr. Henk van Meijel, SJ. A suggested offering is \$235 per person. Register: <https://manresa-canada.ca/> Phone: 905-839-2864.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: Parishioners who were not using Offertory Envelopes in 2021 and who would like to use them in 2022 are asked to contact our parish office, so we can prepare a box for you. We can only provide an income tax receipt for identifiable donations.

PLANNING A BAPTISM: If you or someone you know is planning to have an infant baptized in our church in January, February or March 2022, please contact the church office and inquire about our next Baptismal Preparation Session. We ask that couples be **registered** with the parish and that Catholic parents be in **regular attendance** at Sunday Mass.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: In this special season of "giving," you are asked to remember the poor and less fortunate through your donation to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Their baskets are at the doors of the church.

STEWARDSHIP: On this Gaudete Sunday, we are reminded that despite the crosses and difficulties of our lives, the joy of Jesus' birth should always shine brightly. If we begin to thank God for all of His blessings, we will quickly realize that there are far more things to be joyful about than upset over. Perhaps one way we can share this joy is by offering our time and talents to help others, whether it be in a nursing home, a soup kitchen or helping with a toy drive.

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.



EXECUTIVE MEETING: Tuesday December 14 at 7:00 P.M. in the parish hall

GENERAL MEETING: Tuesday December 21. Mass at 7:00 P.M. Meeting to follow in the Parish Hall. **Installation of officers will be conducted following the Mass**

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES 2022: We have placed at the main entrance of the church Offertory Envelopes for 2022 for our envelopes users. Parishioners who were not using envelopes in 2021 and **would like to use them in 2022** are asked to please contact the parish office so we can prepare a box for you. We can only provide an income tax receipt for identifiable donations.

If you have a RED DOT on your box you have been given a new number

Please DO NOT use 2022 envelopes before January 1st

DO NOT use 2021 envelopes after December 31

Envelopes are arranged by surname

2021 DONATIONS: If you wish to make a final donation for the 2021 tax year, you are asked to do so before Sunday December 26. Your donation must be received in the Parish office by this date to receive credit for 2021.

Donations received after this date will for the 2022 tax year.

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL: St. Paul tells us that if our faith is so strong that we could move mountains but do not have charity, we have nothing. We know that charity is the only way we love God through Jesus Christ by loving our neighbor. The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul offers us a way to express our love for neighbor by supporting their mission to serve those in need. Your support through poor box donations at the front entrance of the church is a way to do this. Gifts of \$10.00 or more will be receipted for income tax purposes. Place your donation in an envelope marked **Society of St. Vincent de Paul**. Remember to include your **full name and address** so a receipt can be prepared and sent to you at year-end.

The Poor Box offers us an opportunity to love Jesus Christ by helping those in need!

If you discern a desire to engage directly with our neighbors in need by joining the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul call or text Vince at 289-943-5881 and leave a message for more information.



FEED THE NEED FOOD DRIVE: Thanks to all who gave so generously to our Feed the Need Food Drive last weekend. We collected **667 lbs.** of food which equates to **556 meals** for families facing food insecurity in our community.

THANKS: to CWL members who have renewed their **\$25.00 CWL membership for 2022**. Please use the pink CWL envelope found in your parish Sunday offering box or use your own envelope clearly marked with your name and "CWL Membership 2022". Envelopes can be placed in the collection basket or dropped off at the church office. For membership information contact Joey Gangemi at 905-576-3386.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEARS **MASS SCHEDULE**

Christmas

Friday December 24

7:00 PM & 11:00 PM

Saturday December 25

9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

New Years

Friday December 31 5 PM

Saturday January 1 11 AM (NO 9AM Mass)

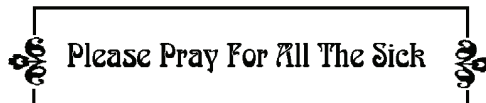
Please be advised that our capacity is 110 people.

Seating will be on a first come basis.

Once we reach capacity we are unable to allow anyone else in.

COVID-19 SAFETY RULES REMINDER

- 1) **MASKS ARE MANDATORY AND MUST BE WORN OVER YOUR NOSE**
- 2) **NO SINGING**
- 3) **Maintain 6 feet distance.**
- 4) **If you are sick please stay home**
- 5) **Sanitize your hands when entering Church**



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