### THE PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

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#### Rev Fr Peter Tammearu, Pastor Rev Fr Peter Gitendran, In Residence



#### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Friday at 12.05 pm Saturday at 9 am & 5 pm (Vigil) Sunday at 9 am & 11 am

#### CONFESSIONS

Monday to Friday at 11.30 am Saturday at 4.30 pm

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday to Thursday 10 am to 4 pm Susan Lee, Parish Secretary

#### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

(Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, RCIA) Alice Warford, Sacramental Coordinator ihmsacraments@gmail.com

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**LEGION OF MARY** Letty Denovan 416.755.9569

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE Alice Warford

#### OUR LADY OF GOOD HEALTH

Rev Fr Charles Collins, Pastor 416.264.6544 Sunday Masses at 12.30 & 4.30 pm (in Tamil)



Monday October 1

St Therese of the Child Jesus 12:05 pm † Felice Macri, requested by Rev Fr Peter Gitendran

#### **Tuesday October 2**

HolyGuardian Angels

12:05 pm † For the deceased members of the Estrela family, *requested by Fatima Cabral* 

#### Wednesday October 3

12:05 pm † Norberto Manalang, *requested by the* Sevilla family

#### Thursday October 4

*St Francis of Assisi* 9:30 am School Mass

#### 12:05 pm

#### Friday October 5

12:05 pm For the intentions of the Lopez family, *requested by Jane Rocha* 

#### Saturday October 6

- 9:00 am † Deceased members of the Medinas family, *requested by Sonia Javier*
- 5 pm For the People of the Parish

#### **Sunday October 7**

#### Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 9 am For the protection of unborn children, requested by the Masses for Life Project
- 11 am † Sydney & Sylvia Warford, *requested by* Brian & Alice Warford

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**7**he Parish office will reopen on October 1st. Office hours are normally 10 am to 4 pm Monday to Thursday

# Life Chain

Life Chain is an annual pro-life event which provides participants a prayerful and peaceful way to witness to the sanctity of human life and the harm of abortion. Please come out on Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 3 pm at the intersection of Danforth and Victoria Park to pray silently for an end to abortion. Everyone is welcome, even if you have never participated in a pro-life event before.

### Stained Glass Preservation



Work has begun on repairing the stained-glass windows of the church. This stage of the project, which includes the panels that are in most urgent need of repair, should be completed in about six weeks' time, with the windows back in place by November. We hope to proceed further next spring, but this is a pay-as-you-go project, and we are only able to restore the windows as donations for this purpose are received. If a family or a group can donate the entire cost of one window (\$7,000), they can dedicate the restoration to the memory of a loved one and a suitable plaque

will indicate the memorial. Please consider whether you can contribute in some way to preserving our parish heritage. Special donation envelopes can be found at the entrance of the church.

### Parish Supper

There will a Parish Supper on Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, following the 5 pm Mass. All are invited. There is no cost, but donations are welcome. We will share a



simple supper of soup, salad and bread, and you are invited to contribute something to the dessert table.

# Parish Photo Directory

We invite you to participate in our Parish Family Photo Directory Program. The purpose of this project is to help develop a community spirit among us. It also helps us to get to know fellow parishioners by name and allows the staff to put a name to a face. It will create a "snapshot" of who and what the parish is for present and historical purposes.

How many times have you seen a familiar face at church but do not know a name? Your participation in this program will provide your family with a free parish photo directory and a free 8 x 10 family photo. Your family can also purchase additional studio quality portraits at less than studio prices, but there is no obligation to purchase.

The only cost to you is 30 minutes of your time to have the picture taken and then select the picture you would like put into the directory and select your free 8 x 10 portrait. At that time, you can decide if you would like to purchase any additional pictures.

Photography will take place at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish October 24, 29 and November 10, 12, 13 & 17. We encourage you and your family to be part of Parish Album, so that we may have a rich portrait of our community of faith at this moment in our parish's history.

For more information or to book your time slot for your sitting please see one of the volunteers at the back of the Church.

*Let's make this the best Parish Photo Directory ever! Your participation is appreciated.* 

# St Therese of Lisieux

Would you like to meet one of our most beloved saints? The prayers of St. Therese of Lisieux can help you to get better acquainted with this wonderful Carmelite Nun! Her autobiography *Story of a Soul*, published posthumously after her untimely death from tuberculosis at age 24 in 1897, reflected both her humility and her profound love of God. This book so touched hearts everywhere that she was canonized as a saint in 1925 and made a Doctor of the Church in 1997!

The prayers of St. Therese (who is also known affectionately as the "Little Flower") have helped inspire the faithful everywhere to follow her "little way" of spirituality.

St. Therese noted that it wasn't necessary to do great or heroic deeds to attain holiness, admirable though these might be, but rather to do the little things in life with love for God and others.

It isn't necessary to be a "big shot" to follow her "little way." Doing household chores can be just as pleasing to God as winning a Nobel Prize (perhaps even more so!) if you do them as best you can for Him and His glory!

St. Therese took as her religious name "St. Therese of the Child Jesus and the

Holy Face." This reflected her devotion to approaching Jesus with the simple trust of a child, as well as her inspiration by the image of His Holy Face to do His work "hidden" and "forgotten," as she put it. She wished to emulate our Lord in His profound humility and love for us in His passion!

The first of these prayers of St. Therese concerns the Child Jesus:

O Jesus, dear Holy Child, my only treasure, I abandon myself to Thy every whim. I seek no other joy than that of calling forth Thy sweet Smile. Vouchsafe to me the graces and the virtues of Thy Holy Childhood, so that on the day of my birth into Heaven the Angels and Saints may recognize in Thy Spouse: Teresa of the Child Jesus. The second is an eloquent Morning offering.

O my God! I offer Thee all my actions of this day for the intentions and for the glory of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. I desire to sanctify every beat of my heart, my every thought, my simplest works, by uniting them to Its infinite merits; and I wish to make reparation for my sins by casting them into the furnace of Its Merciful Love.

O my God! I ask thee for myself and for those whom I hold dear, the grace to fulfill perfectly Thy Holy Will, to accept for love of Thee the joys and sorrows of this passing life, so that we may one day be united together in Heaven for all Eternity. Amen.

And, last, but not least, of our prayers here is this beautiful tribute to our Lord's Holy Face in His Passion!

We can see in these prayers of St. Therese her wonderfully all-encompassing love for God. She wanted our Lord to be able to show others His love and mercy as much as possible through her! Her prayer for humility reflects her deep desire to be our Lord's "Little Flower" in the face of her imperfections.

To St. Therese being "little" in humility meant that, as John the Baptist once said about Jesus, "He must increase,

but I must decrease" (Jn 3:30). May we be similarly inspired by her prayers and her example to be able to say, like the Blessed Mother, that "My soul magnifies the Lord" (Lk 1:46).

#### **VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED**

Birthright, a pro-life crisis pregnancy service needs your help. Volunteers, men and women, are needed to assist those facing an unplanned pregnancy, to provide support and comfort as well as practical solutions. Training is provided. Do you have time to offer 3 or 4 hours a week in a life-saving cause? For more information, call 416.469.1111 or email toronto@birthright.org



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