

**FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
January 29, 2017**

Mass for the Intentions Week

**BLESSED ARE THE POOR IN SPIRIT; THE KINGDOM
OF HEAVEN IS THEIRS!**

NEW ENVELOPES

New donation envelopes for the year 2017 are available for pickup in the foyer. We encourage you to pick up your box as soon as possible. The envelope boxes will be removed from the foyer at the end of this month, and the number will be assigned to someone else. We also encourage new parishioners and those who have not yet used envelopes to do so, as donations are tax deductible; more importantly, your offerings help us all at the parish to provide the many services and programs that are here for you, and which depend on your financial support.

Thank you for your generosity!

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY TRAINING

The parish is looking at establishing a Bereavement Ministry, composed of persons willing and able to accompany, pray with and for, and assist those who have experienced the death of a loved one, in a parish setting. We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to receive appropriate training, which is being offered by the Archdiocesan Office of Formation for Discipleship. This training is also ideal as enrichment for those who are currently ministering to the bereaved. Sessions will be held at Saviour of the World Parish, Mississauga on Saturdays February 11, 18 and 25, 2017 from 10:00am to 3:30pm. For further information and registration forms please visit: <https://www.archtoronto.org/our-catholic-faith/programs-and-workshops> or call (416) 934-3400 ext.523./ or speak to Fr. Scott or Msgr. Owen

1ST COMMUNION CLASSES

Communion classes for children in private, public and other schools will continue every Saturday from 11 am – 12 noon in the parish hall.

Monday 12:15 p.m.

+Teresa & Earl Yake, +Aleyamma & Varkey George,
+Doris & PJ Kennedy

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

+Holy Souls in Purgatory, +Ellen Cabagnet-Salvatirra
Sp. Int. Lawrence Tejada & Jessica Healy

Wednesday 12:15 p.m.

+Tomas Eusebio Jr. +Grace Lobo, +Anne Sequeira

Thursday 7:00 p.m.

+Edna Almeida, +Flor Carrero, +Trevor King

Friday 12:15 p.m.

+Holy Souls in Purgatory, +Erminio & Blandina Taddeo
+Manuel Moniz

Friday 7:00 p.m.

+Anthonipillai, Lourthamma & Thereseamma
Thanksgiving by Dave Grier

Saturday

+Zena & Albert Pereira, +Elena Lani, Special Intentions,
Sp. Int. for Rose Rodrigues, Seby Carvalho, Jane Sweeney

**Saturday 5:00 p.m., +Gertruda Kozlowska,
Sp.Int. for the Sousa & Burt Families**

**Saturday 7:00 p.m., +Maria Consuelo Malaga,
+Lucy Cabling, Sp. Int. Paul Espiritu**

**Sunday 8:30 a.m., +Patrick Summerville, +Sally
Pallomares-Little, Sp. Int. De Costa Family**

**Sunday 11:30 a.m., +Maria Plata, +Livia Paes,
+Sheila & Earl Illogan**

**Sunday 7:00 p.m., +Ciro Giovannelli, +Joe O'Sullivan,
Thanksgiving Fr. Vid Vlasic**

SHROVE TUESDAY – February 28 PANCAKE SUPPER –5 pm-Parish Hall

**100% of the proceeds go to kick off the Merciful
Redeemer Parish Share Life Campaign.**

Tickets are \$5 per person, \$3 for children 6 years old
and under - Pancakes or Waffles, Sausage, Coffee,
Juice.

THE BIBLE & THE SACRAMENTS Presented by Deacon Brian

The sacraments are “the masterworks of God” and “are powers that come forth” from the Body of Christ, which is ever-living and life-giving.

Date: Until April 4, 2017

Time: Tuesdays; after the 7 pm Mass

Place: Merciful Redeemer Parish Hall

Registration:

Please email Rosie Uy at ruy2930@gmail.com with name, phone number and email address, as soon as possible.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK

If you are presently taking communion (using a Pyx) or visiting members of the parish who are sick, please contact Msgr. Owen or Fr. Scott as soon as possible. We would like to obtain names and information about sick persons receiving pastoral care from parishioners in order that we may see if further assistance can be provided at the parish level e.g. ongoing prayers, Sacrament of the Sick.

SENIOR MEN’S HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT – FEBRUARY 11, 2017

The Office of Vocations is hosting a high school retreat for men in Grades 11 and 12 at Blessed Sacrament Parish, Toronto on Saturday, February 11 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to help young men cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with the Lord. Priests and seminarians will deliver talks on practical aspects of faith. Opportunities for Mass, Adoration, confession and socializing. For more information please call 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus are seeking new members for Merciful Redeemer Parish. There will be a membership drive next weekend after all Masses.

INSTALLATION OF NEW PASTOR MSGR. OWEN KEENAN

**Save the date Sunday February 26
at the 11:30 Mass**

SUPPORT OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

To verify that you are an English Separate (Catholic) School Supporter, check the assessment section of your Tax Bill or Property Assessment Notice. To register as a Separate (Catholic) School Supporter or change your [Direction of School Support](#), please contact the Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board Admissions Department at 905-890-0708 ext. 24512 or admissions@dpacsb.org.

DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH

Dynamic Women of Faith will be hosting its 8th annual conference for Catholic women on Saturday on Saturday March 25, 2017. Topics include: Call to Holiness, Why Minister to Moms? Finding your Catholic Voice, Marriage & Sanity, How does CatholicMomsGroup.com Work? Speakers include: Dr. Josephine Lombardi, Deacon Robert & Gabrielle Suthers, Tanya Granic Allen, Cheryl Thompson, and Dorothy Pilarski. Cardinal Thomas Collins will be celebrating the opening Mass. There is a mother-daughter event CALLING ALL Girls the evening before! For more information including registration fees and location call: 905-279-7702 or visit www.dynamicswomenfaith.com

The first step to holiness is to will it. St. Thomas Aquinas said: “Sanctity consists in nothing else but firm resolve, the heroic act of a soul abandoning herself to God. By an upright will, we love God, we choose God, we run forward to God, we reach him, we possess him.” This strong will transforms me into the image of God and makes me like him.

ST. MOTHER TERESA