



# MERCIFUL REDEEMER PARISH

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## OFFICE HOURS

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### Monday to Friday

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

1:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**Saturday** 9:30 AM - 5:30 PM

**Sunday** 9:30 AM - 1:30 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

(\*Every First Friday of the Month)

**Saturday** 9:00 AM

5:00 PM (Sunday Vigil)

7:00 PM (Youth Mass)

**Sunday** 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM

11:30 AM, 7:00 PM

## CONFESSION TIMES

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**Tuesday** 6:00 - 6:50 PM

**Saturday** 4:00 - 4:50 PM

**First Friday of the Month**

11:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Anytime by Appointment

## DIVINE MERCY ADORATION CHAPEL

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Open Everyday 7:00 AM - 10:00 PM

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**Our Lady of Mercy** 5820 Glen Erin Dr. | (905) 814 9216

**St. Aloysius Gonzaga** 2800 Erin Centre Blvd. | (905) 820 3900

**St. Rose of Lima School** 4590 The Gallops | (905) 828 4076

**St. Sebastian School** 3460 Aquinas Ave. | (905) 607 0107



## PARISH COMMUNITY

**Bible Study Group** Tuesdays, 7:30–9:30 PM, Church Basement Hall

**Catechesis of the Good Shepherd** [mercifulcgs@gmail.com](mailto:mercifulcgs@gmail.com)

**Charismatic Prayer Group** Mondays, 7:15–9:00 PM

**Family of Faith Committee** [mercifulfamilyoffaith@gmail.com](mailto:mercifulfamilyoffaith@gmail.com)

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**Lay Pastoral Visitors** [mrapastoralcare@gmail.com](mailto:mrapastoralcare@gmail.com)

**Legion of Mary** Wednesdays, 7:00–9:00 PM, OLOM Room

**Men's Fraternity** Saturdays, 8:00–10:00 AM

**Merciful Moms** On summer break; will resume in Fall 2018

**St. JP II TOB Prayer Group** Wednesdays, 10:00–11:00 PM, Chapel

**Youth Ministry** [www.mercifulredeemerym.com](http://www.mercifulredeemerym.com)

**Young Adult Ministry** [youngadultministry@mercifulredeemer.org](mailto:youngadultministry@mercifulredeemer.org)

## TODAY'S MASS READINGS

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**First Reading:** Ezekiel 2:2-5

**Second Reading:** 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

**Gospel:** Mark 6:1-6

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

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**MONDAY, July 9, 12:15 PM**

+Leticia Bulotano, +Jean Baek

Special intention for Urbanowicz Family

**TUESDAY, July 10, 7:00 PM**

+James D'Souza, +Oscar Anacta

+Cosmos Fernandes

**WEDNESDAY, July 11, 12:15 PM**

+Segunda Jo Lim, +Abbie Ahern

+Martha & Manuel Lopes

**THURSDAY, July 12, 7:00 PM**

+Philippe Ng, +S. Anthonypillai

+Wilfredo Estacio

**FRIDAY, July 13, 12:15 PM**

+Thomas Rebeiro, +Rachel & Michael

**SATURDAY, July 14, 9:00 AM**

+Swampillai Anthonypillai, +Pedro Visperas Jr.

+Sarah Reyes, +Christian Lam, +Ryan Gozum

Thanksgiving for Fr Scott Birchall

**SATURDAY, July 14, 5:00 PM**

+Minh Tran, +Francis Rodrigues

Special intention for Caleb Moco

**SATURDAY, July 14, 7:00 PM**

+Olinda Menezes, +Quintin Sangre Sr.

Thanksgiving by Marinne Remma Madahan

**SUNDAY, July 15, 8:30 AM**

+Conchim & Juan Evangelista, +Badre Younis

+Leni & Fusnel Evangelista

**SUNDAY, July 15, 10:00 AM**

For All Parishioners

**SUNDAY, July 15, 11:30 AM**

+Vicenta Saraum Uy, +Fioravante D'Orazio

+Joseph Mignotta

**SUNDAY, July 15, 7:00 PM**

+Arnold Pereira, +Raymond Travas

+Jaime Villanueva

## LECTIO DIVINA

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**OPENING PRAYER** (*Make the Sign of the Cross*)

Lord Jesus, send your Spirit to help us read the Scriptures with the same mind that you read them to the disciples on the way to Emmaus. In the light of the Word, written in the Bible, you helped them to discover the presence of God in the disturbing events of your sentence and death. Thus, the cross that seemed to be the end of all hope became for them the source of life and of resurrection. We ask this of you, Jesus, son of Mary, who revealed to us the Father and sent us your Spirit. *Amen.*

**READING** Read today's Gospel 2-3 times: *Mark 6:1-6*

**MEDITATION** Silently reflect on one or more of the following questions. If practicing lectio divina as a family or group, invite the participants to share their responses.

*What word/s in this passage caught your attention?*

*What in this passage comforted you?*

*What in this passage challenged you?*

**PRAYER** Read the Scripture passage one more time. Bring to the Lord the praise, petition, or thanksgiving that the Word inspires in you.

**CONTEMPLATION** Read the Scripture passage again, reflect on these questions, and give yourself time for silent reflection and/or discussion.

*What conversion of mind, heart, and life is the Lord asking of me today?*

*What is the attitude of Nazareth in the presence of Jesus, and what are the reasons for their hesitation?*

*Why is faith so important?*

**CLOSING PRAYER**

Lord Jesus, we thank for the word that has enabled us to understand better the will of the Father. May your Spirit enlighten our actions and grant us the strength to practice that which your Word has revealed to us. May we, like Mary, your mother, not only listen to but also practice the Word. You who live and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit forever and ever. *Amen.*

Retrieved from **The Order of Carmelites** ([www.ocarm.org](http://www.ocarm.org)).

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*Prayer ought to be short and pure,  
unless it be prolonged by the  
inspiration of Divine grace.*

ST. BENEDICT (FEAST DAY: JULY 11)

PATRON SAINT OF MONKS, STUDENTS AND POISON VICTIMS

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## ShareLife Update

We have raised a total of  
**\$224,985.24** for ShareLife  
(including all online credit card  
donations received at  
ShareLife Office).

## Welcome Fr Rick Davis!

Join us in welcoming Fr Rick Davis, who is coming to us from St Patrick's Parish in Markham, and making him feel very much at home here at Merciful Redeemer.

Fr Rick Davis was born in Jamaica and raised in Ottawa. His studies saw him obtain an undergrad degree in Philosophy at the University of Ottawa and a B.F.A. in Film Studies at Ryerson University. But it was during his work as head sacristan at St. Michael's Cathedral that he heard God's call grow stronger. In 2008, he attended a "Come and See" weekend at St. Augustine's Seminary and entered formation in 2010. He was ordained on May 9, 2015 at St. Michael's Cathedral.

## Thank you for supporting our Backpack Drive!

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul would like to thank you for your generous support of their Backpack Drive Weekend. They were able to provide backpack bundles for the upcoming school year to **all** 83 children (ages 4 to 17 years old) of the Neighbors-in-Need program. They received 7 backpack bundles and generous monetary sponsorships amounting to \$4,172. This was used to purchase the backpacks and add more school supplies to each backpack bundle, such as USB sticks, highlighters and erasers.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is very grateful for your generosity.

Thank you and God Bless!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HEALING PRAYER OF THE HEART: JULY 9

The Merciful Redeemer Charismatic Prayer Group wishes to invite you and your family to come and join us for a prayer meeting on Monday, July 9<sup>th</sup>. There will be a special talk by Fr. Bernard Messier, CC, Director of First Year Formation for Companions of the Cross, entitled "Healing Prayer of the Heart." Please mark your calendars. All are welcome!

**7:10 PM** Rosary

**7:30 PM** Praise and Worship

**7:50 PM** Talk by Fr Bernard Messier, CC

### PASTORAL CARE MINISTERS NEEDED

A handful of Pastoral Care Ministers bring Communion to and pray the Rosary and Chaplet with the sick and the elderly in The Village of Erin Meadows (Nursing and retirement home at 2930 Erin Centre Blvd, Mississauga) every Thursday from 1:00–3:00 PM from September to June. Owing to the imminent addition of 15 floors in The Village, there is a great need for more Pastoral Care Ministers to serve in this mission of nourishing our brothers and sisters with our Lord's spiritual food. If you can volunteer for at least 2 Thursdays every month, please sign up to assist in this ministry of compassion. For more information, please contact [mrpastoralcare@gmail.com](mailto:mrpastoralcare@gmail.com).

### CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD: LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

Please prayerfully consider becoming involved in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) Ministry with children beginning in October 2018. We need your help! We have many needs and we welcome a wide range of skills and a variety of services, including but not limited to material making, sewing, painting, wood working, calligraphy, cutting and assisting in the Atrium. **Assistant catechists are needed to work with lead catechists.** Training will be provided. This position requires volunteering roughly 8 hours each month during the school year. If you have any questions, contact Teresa Brown at [mercifulcgs@gmail.com](mailto:mercifulcgs@gmail.com).

## REMINDERS

### REFERENCE LETTERS FOR CATHOLIC TEACHER APPLICANTS

If you or one of your children are planning on attending Teacher's College in the Fall to become a teacher in our Catholic schools, part of the application process for the Board includes a letter of reference from your pastor. If you are from this parish and intend to ask for a reference letter, please note that you will have to be attending Mass here regularly and involved in the life of the parish before such a recommendation can be given. If you have a son or daughter currently in Teacher's College who does not attend this parish (because they are away at school) and intends to use Merciful Redeemer as the parish from which they will request a letter of reference, they will be required to obtain a letter from the pastor of the parish where they are attending while away at school. Let us pray for our Catholic teachers, students, schools and future Catholic educators!

FOOD  
MARY  
FAITH  
DISCIPLE  
FAVOURITE  
MESSIAH  
NATIVE  
PROPHET  
WEALTH  
CARPENTER  
GOD

*Native, Carpenter, Mary, Prophet, Faith*  
"Fill In The Blanks" Answers:

## FILL IN THE BLANKS: MARK 6:1-6

Complete today's Gospel Reading by filling in the blanks!

Jesus departed from there and came to his

\_\_\_\_\_ place, accompanied by his disciples.

When the sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished.

They said, "Where did this man get all this?

What kind of wisdom has been given him?

What mighty deeds are wrought by his hands!

Is he not the \_\_\_\_\_, the son of \_\_\_\_\_,

and the brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon?

And are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him.

Jesus said to them, "A \_\_\_\_\_ is not without honour

except in his native place and among his own kin and in

his own house." So he was not able to perform any mighty

deed there, apart from curing a few sick people by laying his

hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of \_\_\_\_\_.

*St. Henry, patron of the childless and handicapped, pray for us!*

FEAST DAY: JULY 13



## JOIN US FOR ULTIMATE FRISBEE! EVERY WEDNESDAY 7-9PM

Our Youth Ministry invites all youth currently in Grades 8-12 to join us for Ultimate Frisbee practices as we prepare for a tournament in August. Practices will be on Wednesdays from 7:00-9:00 PM at the Gonzaga Soccer Field. Bring your own water, we'll bring the frisbees!

## CAMP MERCIFUL 2018 WE ARE FULL! REGISTRATION IS CLOSED

If you have further questions about the Camp, please contact Marc Puigmarti at [mercifulredeemerym@gmail.com](mailto:mercifulredeemerym@gmail.com). We ask for everyone's prayers for our camp leaders and all Youth who will be joining us for Camp Merciful this year.

For more information, please visit our website [www.mercifulredeemerym.com](http://www.mercifulredeemerym.com)

WEEK 1: JULY 16-20, 2018 | WEEK 2: JULY 23-27, 2018  
MONDAY TO FRIDAY, 9:00 AM – 3:30 PM

*St. Veronica, patroness of first aid and photographers, pray for us!*

FEAST DAY: JULY 12

## UNSCRAMBLE LATIN TO ENGLISH

Unscramble the letters to find out the meaning of these Latin words and phrases!

Sanctus

**LYOH**

Veritas

**HURTT**

Caritas

**CITHRAY**

Mea Culpa

**YM ALUFT**

Anima Christi

**LOUS FO HICSTR**

Ave Maria

**ALIH RAYM**

Corpus Christi

**DOBY FO IHSRTC**

Spiritus Sancti

**OYLH PISRIT**

Pater Noster

**RUO RHTFEA**

Sanguis Christi

**DOLBO FO TCRIHS**

Ora et Labora

**RYAP DAN KROW**

Dominus Vobiscum

**ETH DORL EB HIWT UYO**

Et Cum Spiritu Tuo

**NAD TWIH ORUY TRIPSI**

*“Unscramble” Answers: Holy, Truth, Charity, My Fault, Soul of Christ, Hall Mary, Body of Christ, Holy Spirit, Our Father, Blood of Christ, Pray and Work, The Lord be with you, And with your spirit*

*I have found Love,  
Love has let himself be seen!*

ST. VERONICA GIULIANI (FEAST DAY: JULY 9)

## *Prayer for God’s Protection*

Lord, I believe in you: increase my faith.

I trust in you: strengthen my trust.

I love you: let me love you more and more.

I am sorry for my sins: deepen my sorrow.

I worship you as my first beginning, I long for you  
as my last end, I praise you as my constant helper,  
and call on you as my loving protector.

Guide me by your wisdom,  
correct me with your justice,  
comfort me with your mercy,  
protect me with your power.

I offer you, Lord, my thoughts: to be fixed on you;  
My words: to have you for their theme;  
My actions: to reflect my love for you;  
My sufferings: to be endured for your greater glory.

I want to do what you ask of me: In the way you  
ask, for as long as you ask, because you ask it.

Lord, enlighten my understanding,  
strengthen my will, purify my heart,  
and make me holy. Help me to repent of my  
past sins and to resist temptation in the future.

Help me to rise above my human weaknesses  
and to grow stronger as a Christian.

Make me prudent in planning,  
courageous in taking risks. Make me patient  
in suffering, unassuming in prosperity.

Put me on guard against my human weaknesses.  
Let me cherish your love for me, keep your law,  
and come at last to your salvation.

Teach me to realize that this world is passing, that  
my true future is the happiness of heaven, that life  
on earth is short, and the life to come eternal.

Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



# Can we find God in Dark Times?

Which phrase is most likely to make you wince?

- A. “Don’t worry. I just know everything will be okay!”
- B. “Everything happens for a reason!”
- C. Rousing choruses of “He’s Got the Whole World in His Hands!” sung by well-fed people who are not in danger

We live in a world of constant change—some changes are foreseen, others not; some changes are welcome, others not; some seem to be to our benefit, others not. How do we start each day without wishful thinking or paralyzing dread?

There are “seasons” when God’s goodness is brightly apparent, and other seasons when it appears that God has forgotten us. Let’s reflect on both.

When has the goodness of God been most brightly clear to you? Was it on your wedding day? Or at the birth of your child? Was the sovereignty of God most evident to you at the conversion of a loved one?

When did you most clearly hear God call you by name? Was it at your First Communion? At your Confirmation? How often do you recall such revelations of God’s glory? How much time do you take to savor those revelations?

There is so much need, so much tragedy, and, also, always, so many unacknowledged or unnoticed blessings.

Our ability to recognize, remember, and receive God’s gracious presence is essential, if we’re to survive and remain faithful while in dark times and desert places. We’re all subject to the darkness and the desert and the alien voices that dwell therein, for we live in a fallen world. Are we prepared to recognize, receive, and remember God’s fidelity during the times and places and seasons of desolation? We must answer that question well, as individuals, as communities, as a nation, and as disciples.

As individuals: When your doctor says “cancer”; when your spouse says “divorce”; when your teenager says “pregnant”; when your boss says “fired”—in that moment, will we as individuals then recognize, receive, and remember that Christ is victorious, the Holy Spirit anoints us, and our Heavenly Father is sovereign?

As communities: When we hear “revenue shortfall”; when we hear “budget cuts”; when we hear “doing more with less”—in that moment, will we as a community then be able to recognize, receive, and remember that Christ is victorious, the Holy Spirit anoints us, and our Heavenly Father is sovereign?

As a nation: When inflation erodes the value of the dollar and bloats the price of food; when tempers are short and lines are long at the gas pump—in that moment, will we

as a nation then recognize, receive, and remember that Christ is victorious, the Holy Spirit anoints us, and our Heavenly Father is sovereign?

As disciples: When a diocese says “bankrupt”; when a pastor says “goodbye”—in that moment, will we as disciples then recognize, receive, and remember that Christ is victorious, the Holy Spirit anoints us, and our Heavenly Father is sovereign?

Even in the best of times, we live in a fallen world, so we must prepare for when people and events will shake our faith. And who is willing to say that we’re now living in or heading toward the best of times?

Satan would have us brood over the past (either our grievances or our sins) or fret over the future (anticipating loss and disappointment). Either way, we’re distracted from God and our daily duties. The wisdom of the saints, and the witness of the heroes of faith, tell us we can remain in grace if we stop and say: “In this moment, I am to glorify God.” If we make that prayer and attitude a habit, we will not turn to idols or distractions. With our head, heart and hands busy attending to God’s glory right now, we’re best disposed to receive grace and cooperate with divine providence. In trying times, the answer isn’t easy words but stubborn habits of prayer and diligent work. God knows what we don’t; God sees what we can’t; and God is always faithful.

## Prayer when you are Feeling Lost

My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going.  
I do not see the road ahead of me.  
I cannot know for certain where it will end.  
Nor do I really know myself, and the fact  
that I think I am following your will does  
not mean that I am actually doing so.  
But I believe that the desire to  
please you does in fact please you.  
And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing.  
I hope that I will never do anything apart from  
that desire. And I know that if I do this  
you will lead me by the right road,  
though I may know nothing about it.  
Therefore I will trust you always though I may  
seem to be lost and in the shadow of death.  
I will not fear, for you are ever with me, and you  
will never leave me to face my perils alone. *Amen.*

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## PARISH EVENTS AT A GLANCE

### Mission Appeals with Fr Manuel R. Guico July 28-29, 2018

On behalf of Bishop Roberto Mallari, DD from the Diocese of San Jose, Nueva Ecija, Philippines, Fr Manuel R. Guico will conduct the Mission Appeals at our parish on the weekend of July 28-29, 2018.

The Diocese of San Jose is located approximately 160-km north of Manila. Total population is around 789,107. It is mostly an agricultural community with poor tenant-farmers producing rice, corn, onions, fruits and vegetables. Annually typhoons devastate the rice crops of many poor farmers. 80% are Roman Catholics served by 44 diocesan & religious priests in 21 parishes & 9 parochial schools. Presently there are 4 retired priests (3 priests reside at "Bahay Pari"/retirement home) and 2 priests with severe medical issues. We also have 19 seminarians studying & preparing for the priesthood. Around 24 sisters from 7 different religious congregations serve in diverse ministries and apostolates.

The Diocese humbly asks for and relies on your generosity in order to support and sustain their pastoral programs and outreach activities.

## RETREATS & CONFERENCES

### Young Adult Retreat with the Sisters of Life Manresa Jesuit Retreat Centre (2325 Liverpool Rd, Pickering) July 20-22, 6:00 PM (Friday) – 1:00 PM (Sunday)

This retreat will focus on Ephesians 3:17, "In Christ you are being rooted and grounded in love." The weekend will include an introduction to the Liturgy of the Hours, Eucharistic Adoration, Mass on Saturday and Sunday, opportunities for Sacramental Confession, brief periods of silence on Saturday, and opportunities for fellowship with other young adults walking with the Lord.

The cost to the Sisters of Life for this retreat is \$125 per participant. We welcome a donation to cover any portion, or the full amount of this retreat cost, according to your financial capacity. Please note that a deposit is requested to complete your registration. For more information and to register online, visit the Sisters of Life website: [www.sistersoflife.org/villamaria-guadalupe-retreats/vmg-html](http://www.sistersoflife.org/villamaria-guadalupe-retreats/vmg-html).

## ARCHDIOCESAN EVENTS

### Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed Assumption Cemetery, Mississauga August 15, 7:00 PM

Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services – Archdiocese of Toronto wishes to invite all families within the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed on Wednesday, August 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. All are welcome! In the event of rain, Mass will be held in the mausoleum.

## WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018 IN IRELAND

AUGUST 21-26, 2018

Dublin, Ireland has been chosen by Pope Francis to host the next World Meeting of Families, guided by the theme "The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World."

Held every three years, this major international event brings together families from across the world to celebrate, pray and reflect upon the central importance of marriage and the family as the cornerstone of our lives, of society and of the Church. Adults, youth and children are all invited to take part. We encourage people who want to be with us to book today to avoid disappointment!

For tickets and registration, please visit  
[www.worldmeeting2018.ie](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie)

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR

After 14 months of working in Merciful Redeemer as our Communications Coordinator, we say farewell to Chai Bonoan as she takes up the important and great work of Youth Minister at St. Catherine of Siena Parish (Mississauga). We thank her for her great work and wish her all the best! Chai, we are grateful for your dedication and service; you remain in our prayers.

With that said, we are currently looking for someone new to fill the role of Communications Coordinator for our parish. Responsibilities include but not limited to: weekly bulletin, website and social media updates, promotional materials for various ministries. If you are interested, email the Parish Office at [office@mercifulredeemer.org](mailto:office@mercifulredeemer.org).