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# ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH

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## SUNDAY MASSES:

5:00 p.m. Saturday (Sunday liturgy)  
8:30 a.m. English Mass  
9:30 a.m. Low Mass  
(Usus antiquior/1962 Missal)  
11:00 a.m. Sung English Mass  
12:30 p.m. Sung Mass  
Catholic Parish of St. Thomas More  
(Ordinariate of the Chair of St. Peter)

## CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
Before every Mass on Sundays  
Daily for 15 minutes before all Masses.

## WEEKDAY MASS:

8:00 a.m. Monday - Friday  
10:00 a.m. Saturday

## MARRIAGES:

Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance. They must also receive personal preparation for entering marriage. If either party has previously gone through any form of civil or religious marriage with another person, the priest is not permitted to set a date for the wedding until the Bishop's office has been consulted.

**BAPTISMS:** On Sundays by appointment.

**ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY:** 647-727-8758

## PARISH CHOIR DIRECTOR:

Mr. Peter Bishop: 416-535-7646

## CATHOLIC CEMETERIES:

(Archdiocese of Toronto): 416-733-8544

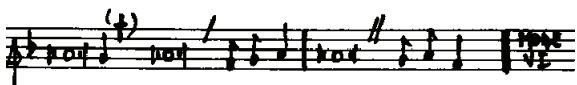
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## S THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

### 11:00 A.M. SUNG ENGLISH MASS

**Entrance Hymn:** 303 – On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry

**Entrance Antiphon:**



[Choir] After the Lord was bap/tized, (†) \* the heav/ens were opened, \*

[All] and the Spirit descended upon him / like a dove,

[Choir] and the voice of the / Fa-ther thundered: \*

[All] This is my beloved Son, \* with whom I // am well pleased.

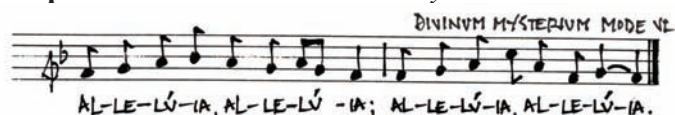
**Kyrie:** 210 – Mass VIII (*de Angelis*)

**Gloria:** 211 – Mass VIII (*de Angelis*)

**Responsorial Psalm Refrain:**

[All] O BLESS THE // LORD, MY SOUL!

**Gospel Acclamation:** “*Divinum Mysterium*” Mode VI



[Choir] Alleluia, alleluia; \* alleluia, alleluia.

[All] Alleluia, alleluia; \* alleluia, alleluia.

[Choir] “John saw Jesus approaching / him, and said: \*

[All] This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins // of the world.”

[All] Alleluia, alleluia; \* alleluia, alleluia.

**Credo:** 202 – Kyriale Romanum III

**Offertory Antiphon:** (*see above for the psalm tone*)

[Choir] Blessed is he who comes in the name of the / Lord. (†) \*We bless you from the house / of the Lord; \*

[All] the Lord God is our light, \* alleluia, // al-le-luia.

**Offertory Hymn:** 354 – Hail to the Lord's Anointed

**Sanctus:** 212 – Mass VIII (*de Angelis*)

**Agnus Dei:** 213 – Mass VIII (*de Angelis*)

**Communion Antiphon:** (*see above for the psalm tone*)

[Choir] Behold the One of / whom John said: \*

[All] I have seen and testified that this is the // Son of God.

**During Communion:** *Canticle of Zachary*

(“*Benedictus*”) – with Antiphon, “*Omnes qui in Christo baptizati estis*” (*Tone II*)

**Communion Hymn:** 331 – Of the Father's love begotten

**Concluding Hymn:** 537 – Alma Redemptoris Mater (Mode V)

### MASS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY, JANUARY 13**

**St. Hilary, Bishop & Doctor**

8:00 Parish Volunteers

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 14**

8:00 Mela da Cuhna, req. by Mike & Lydia Sherlock

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15**

8:00 Barbara Robb

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 16**

**St. Joseph Vaz, C.O., Priest**

8:00 In honour of St. Joseph Vaz of the Oratory

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 17**

**St. Anthony, Abbot**

8:00 Damian DeCouto

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 18**

10:00 (+) Relatives and friends of parishioners

5:00 Fr. Michael Eades, req. by Mike & Lydia Sherlock

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### MASS INTENTIONS –

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### PARISH FINANCES FOR JANUARY 5

**Offertory Collection:** \$2,472

**Maintenance & Debt:** \$312

**Hall Reno:** \$700

**CanadaHelps:** \$1,660.012

**January 1 Collection:** \$2,059

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### OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2025

Offertory envelopes for 2025 are available for pick up at the office during office hours.

### MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

**Begins Wednesday, January 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Where:** Holy Family Church -- Parish Hall

**When:** Wednesday Evenings from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., from January 29 to March 26.

**Cost:** \$150 per couple and includes one copy of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*.

**Registration:** Takes place at first session. No need to pre-register. Couples are invited to come early to register.

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**ST. JOSEPH VAZ, PRAY FOR US!**

*St Joseph Vaz was an Oratorian priest and missionary. He lived from 1651-1711. He lived a heroic life of service in Sri Lanka! There will be a Sung English Mass on Thursday, January 16 at Holy Family at 5:30 p.m.*

*“Humanity is loved by God! This very simple yet profound proclamation is owed to humanity by the Church. Each Christian's words and life must make this proclamation resound: God loves you, Christ came for you, Christ is for you ‘the Way, the Truth and the Life’!”*

*-Pope Saint John Paul II, Christefidelis Laici, no, 34*

**SAVE THE DATE:**

**CEILI: Postponed until later date**

**SOUP LUNCH: Sunday, February 2 & March 9**

**FAMILY GAMES NIGHT**

*Change of Date*

**Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.**

The Family Games Night is for all ages at St Vincent de Paul Parish Hall. Bring a game, drink and snack to share with fellow parishioners and beat the winter chills!!

**J.S. BACH: COMPLETE WORKS FOR ORGAN**

Holy Family Church, 1372 King St. W. The next two dates are: **Saturday, January 25 & Wednesday, February 12**

All performances are at 7:30 p.m. Free admission.

**JUBILEE YEAR – CORNER**

On December 24, 2024, the Pope inaugurated the Holy Year of 2025. At the vigil of the Saviour's birth, the Pope opened the holy door at St Peter's basilica. The pope is inviting all Catholics to visit Rome and pass through these special doors. In the Papal Bull announcing this Holy Year, the Pope said: “the Holy Door will be flung open to invite everyone to **an intense experience of the love of God** that awakens in hearts the sure hope of salvation in Christ” (*Spes non confundit*, 6).

*But how can passing through a door in Rome help one experience the love of God?*

The church of St Peter's, the principal church in the world, represents the Body of Christ. The holy door at St Peter's is a symbol of the wounds in Our Lord's Body, especially in the side of Christ. The wound in his side is the pathway to his heart, the symbol of God's love. Passing through a Holy Door symbolizes passing through the side of Christ to reach his Love.

Christ and his Church cannot be separated. When Saul was on his way to Damascus to persecute the Church, Christ appeared to him and asked, “Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?” (Acts 9:4). The Church as the Body of Christ prolongs Christ's presence in the world. Through his Church, built on the foundation of St Peter, the first Pope, we know Christ and his Love.

For centuries, the Popes have established the Holy Years every 25 years. The first Holy Year in 1300 was meant to commemorate the great Holy Year, the year of Christ's birth. The Pope realized that the Church needed to be renewed in her commitment to the Incarnation. Gradually these Holy Years were celebrated at least every 25 years. 25 years marks each new generation. Each generation is called to rediscover Christ in His Church as centred in Rome. Each generation is called to bring Christ's redemption to the whole world. Pope Francis opened the Holy Door at the celebration of Christ's birth because he wants all of humanity to enter Christ's Church to experience God's love.

In 1470 Pope Paul II added the title Jubilee to these special Holy Years. In the Scriptures, a Jubilee year called “for acts of clemency and liberation that enable new beginnings” (*Spes non confundit*, 10; cf. Leviticus 25 and Luke 4). Inspired by the wisdom of the Scriptures, Jubilee Holy Years are meant to bring about reconciliation with Christ. By calling this year a Jubilee of Hope, the Pope hopes for greater reconciliation with the world's Redeemer. He wants us all to go to confession. He wants us all to do penance. He wants us to seek indulgences. The main way to celebrate the Holy Year is to go to confession! The soul of the Jubilee is the spirit of penance. The joy of the Jubilee is to gain many indulgences.

The main way to gain a plenary indulgence in this Holy Year, this Jubilee of 2025, is to go to Rome! But as the Pope realizes this is not possible for most people, he establishes churches in each diocese as a place of pilgrimage. The principal Church in Toronto is St Michael's Cathedral Basilica! Let us make a pilgrimage to St Michael's, the symbol of Christ's Body the Church in this city.

Next week, we will look at the main ways to get indulgences this year! They abound.



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