

# THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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## Vocation Seeds

You are the body of Christ; every one of you is a member of it. As a member of the body, we serve different roles. Are you willing to do your part? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)  
[www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

## Email Scams are becoming more common

We have been advised that there are more and more email scams out there. Many of these scammers impersonate the parish priest, or most recently Cardinal Francis Leo. The scammers usually ask for donations or gift cards. Do not respond should you receive such emails. Cardinal Leo only communicates through an [archtoronto.org](http://archtoronto.org) email address, and would not directly ask any parishioner for money through email.

## Cold and Flu Season Precautions

If you are sick, please stay home. Maintain good hygiene especially at Mass and parish gatherings. Sneeze or cough into a tissue or your sleeve, not into your hands. Dispose of tissue in waste bin. Wash or purify your hands right away. Try to avoid touching your face, especially your eyes, nose or mouth. Most germs spread by hand contact. There are hand sanitizers at the entrance of the church for your use. Please do not receive Holy Communion in the hand if you are holding a Kleenex in either hand.

## St. Aidan Parish Library Book of the Month

Beautiful Hope - Finding Hope Everyday in a Broken World by various Catholic authors. Today, many are worried about the future and what it holds. If we are to become people who shines the light of our Faith, we need an infusion of Hope so we can see clearly and live boldly as children of God. Borrow this book and many other wonderful books about our Faith, at our parish library which is open after all weekend Masses.

## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Tel: 647-772-1319 [www.svdptoronto.org](http://www.svdptoronto.org)

In giving alms, let us rather look at the needs of the poor than his claim to your charity, - Jean Antoine Petit-Senn

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday January 25:

5:00 pm For the Beatification of Servant of God  
Alphonso Lamb  
In Thanksgiving of Lito & Nora Rosales  
Victims of War & Calamities  
+Anne Achong  
+Caesar Alphonso  
+Maria Choi & Teresa Kim  
+Belen & Lorenzo Sr. Merin  
+Adolfo & Simeon Apale  
+Neville Pereira

### Sunday January 26:

9:00 am In Thanksgiving of Louisa Cobrana  
  
10:30 am Antonio Wai Family  
  
12:00 pm Pro-Populo

### Monday January 27:

9:00 am +Paul Kar Chu Leung

### Tuesday January 28:

9:00 am In Thanksgiving of Florinda D'Costa

### Wednesday : January 29:

7:30 pm Birthday Blessings for David R. Ebalo  
Professionals & Care Givers  
Joseph Casavai  
+Robert D'Andrea  
+Santana De Silva  
+Virginia Mabbayad

### Thursday January 30:

9:00 am +Aurelio Rabana

### Friday January 31:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intentions  
  
7:30 pm +Irwin Faustin

### Saturday February 1:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intentions

Let us have no desire to choose our own paths, but walk in those which God may be pleased to present to us. - St. Vincent de Paul

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## Valentine's Day Dinner & Dance

The Knights of Columbus will be holding our annual Valentine's Day Dinner and Dance on Saturday February 15, at 6:30 pm. Tickets are now on sale for \$50.00 each. To purchase or reserve one, please contact either GK Luis Dizon (647-862-6717) or SK Wilfred Gomez (416-388-0478).

## Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

This year this feast falls on a Sunday (February 2). On this day candles are usually blessed. Candles will be blessed before all Sunday Masses, including before the Saturday evening Mass. You can bring your own candles to be blessed, or you can make a donation to purchase one of the candles provided.

## Blessing of the throats on the Feast of St. Blaise

The feast of St. Blaise is on Monday February 3. He is especially known to help those who have throat ailments. After the 9:00 am Mass on February 3rd you can line up to have your throat individually blessed by Fr. Steven through the intercession of St. Blaise.

## Healing after Abortion: The Sisters of Life

Do you know someone who is carrying the grief of a past abortion? There is always hope. The pain and sorrow of abortion does not need to be endured for a lifetime. We offer accompaniment and retreats to women seeking healing after abortion. A "Day of Prayer and Healing" offers the opportunity to experience the love and mercy of God and to respond to His invitation to begin the journey of healing the wound of abortion. Upcoming dates are: February 8 and April 5, 2025

For more details, locations, and confidential registration, or to talk to a Sister, please call the Sisters of Life at 416-463-2722 or reach us by email at [toronto@sistersoflife.org](mailto:toronto@sistersoflife.org)

## Jubilee Year 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops have put together a "Catechetical Resource on Plenary Indulgences during the Jubilee Year" explaining what the indulgences are and how we can obtain them. This resource can be accessed here:

<https://tinyurl.com/kbxs86aa>

In the Archdiocese of Toronto the following churches have been designated as pilgrimage sites for the duration of the Jubilee:

- St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, Toronto
- Martyrs' Shrine, Midland
- St. Paul's Basilica, Toronto
- St. Mary's Parish, Toronto
- St. Edward the Confessor Parish, North York
- Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, Etobicoke
- St. Mary's Parish, Brampton
- St. Barnabas Parish, Scarborough
- St. Gregory the Great Parish, Oshawa
- St. Padre Pio Parish, Kleinburg
- St. Mary's Parish, Barrie

Visit <http://archtoronto.org/jubilee> for resources across the archdiocese

## Holy Water

Catholics are encouraged to use holy water in their homes. Hopefully, you were able to bless your homes on the feast of the Epiphany. Water is a natural symbol of purification and life. Water that has been blessed is efficacious in warding off evil spirits, preserving us from sin, and even sickness. Holy water is also a good source of obtaining more of God's blessings and graces, especially when we bless ourselves with it. You are welcome to take Holy water from our holy water font. You can use your own small bottle or container to get holy water or you can purchase a small container from our gift shop. The holy water is on the left-hand side of the church, close to the pieta statue.

Be who you are and be that well - St. Francis de Sales

## 2025 Donation Envelopes

Please pick up your 2025 Donation Envelopes arranged in numerical order. If you can not remember your envelope number, one of us from the gift shop can gladly help you. New parishioners who wish to use donation envelopes please register in the gift shop.