



Mass Intentions For the Week

Monday, February 1

8:00 am † Mary Rita Sheehy (*Behon Family*)

Tuesday, February 2

The Presentation of The Lord

7:15 pm

Wednesday, February 3

8:00 am † Claude King (*Daphne King*)

Thursday, February 4

8:00 am † Calvin Cooper Sr. (*Emily Cooper & Family*)

Friday, February 5

St. Agatha

8:00 am For the People

Saturday, February 6

St. Paul Miki & companions

9:00 am † Michael DiGiambatista (*The Family*)

5:00 pm † Ted Loder (*Peter & Helen Quirke*)

Sunday, February 7

10:00 am Ints. of Tom Kowbel (*Justyna Kowbel*)

11:30 am † Angel Merika Williams (*Marites Nidoy*)

1:00 pm Traditional Latin Mass

Let Us Pray



For Our Sick

Laureano Cruz, Peter Quirke Sr.

Bill Bennett, Phoebe Rupp, James Dizon

Nancy Lea, Anne Marie Ignat, Jane Rocha

Geraldine Barrier, Ignazio Miroddi, Mary Abbott

Ann Scala Phillips, Mary Jane Nice, Corrine McGrath

Beverly Elliot, Chealsea Rabago, Daniel O'Brien Jr.

Rosa Rana, Webster Paul, Carol & Randy Stadler

Archbishop Lawrence Burke, Bev & Joe Richards

For The Deceased

Mary Rita Sheehy, mother of Msgr. Ambrose Sheehy

Dates to Remember

Feb. 06 - Confirmation Candidates' – 3rd Instruction

Feb. 07 – Pancake Breakfast by Knights of Columbus

Feb. 15 – Family Day - Holiday

Feb. 17 – Ash Wednesday

Feb. 20 – Confirmation Candidates' – 4th Instruction

Feb. 20 – Games Night by the Youth Mission 2011

Reflection

Now I realize that true charity consists in putting up with all one's neighbour's faults, never being surprised by his weakness, and being inspired by the least of his virtues.



St. Therese of Lisieux

Pope's Intentions for February

General:

For all scholars and intellectuals, that by means of sincere search for the truth, they may arrive at an understanding of the one true God.

Mission:

That the Church, aware of its own missionary identity, may strive to follow Christ faithfully and to proclaim His Gospel to all peoples.



The Presentation of the Lord

Feast: February 2

According to Mosaic law, a new mother was 'unclean' for 40 days after she had given birth. She would then enter the temple with her child, bringing an offering of either a lamb and a dove or pigeon, or two doves or pigeons, to be cleansed by prayers. Today's feast commemorates Mary's purification and the presentation of Jesus in the temple. The observance of this feast began in the 4th century Jerusalem and was celebrated in Rome by the 5th century. It is a feast of both Our Lord and the Blessed Virgin. In the Eastern Church, it was called 'The Meeting' of Jesus and Mary with Simeon and Anna, representatives of the Old Covenant. In the Middle Ages, a tradition began of blessing candles and holding a procession of light on this day. As a result, this feast is also known as 'Candlemas': Christ our light has come to us.



In celebration of Candlemas, there will be blessing of candles at the beginning of the mass at 7:15 p.m. on Tuesday, February 2nd. Please bring candles for home devotion which you intend to use throughout the year so they may be blessed.

Saint Blase

Feast: February 3

An Armenian bishop, Blasé suffered martyrdom during the persecution of Licinius, in the early 4th century. According to legend, he performed a miraculous cure on a boy who was choking to death.

Blasé has long been associated with cures for afflictions of the throat, and the blessing of throats may take place on this day in memory of St. Blasé. He is the patron of wild animals, wool combers and of all who suffer from afflictions of the throat.

Blessing of the throats will be done after the 8:00 a.m. mass on Wednesday, February 3rd.

Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, February 7th

10:30am – 1:00pm, Parish Hall

Eggs, sausages, pancakes, fruits, potatoes, coffee & juice will be served.

This event is hosted by the Knights of Columbus, and proceeds will help support the St. Theresa's Youth Mission 2011. All are welcome.



Ash Wednesday

February 17

Masses: 8:00 AM & 7:15 PM *

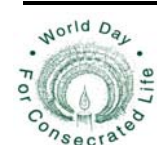
Ashes will be blessed and distributed during the masses. Following the Precepts of the Church, let us observe **Fasting and Abstinence** from meat on this day. (Fasting obligation binds persons aged 18-59; the days of fast are Ash Wednesday & Good Friday. The abstinence obligation binds all those who are 14 and older, and is obligatory for all Fridays of Lent).

* *Since this year's Ash Wednesday is on the third Wednesday of the month, it coincides with our monthly Healing Mass. Thus, **Prayers for Healing will also be said right after the 7:15 pm Mass.***



World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life

On Feb. 2nd, the Church celebrates the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life. Let us thank God for the gift of 1,100 brothers, sisters and priests from 90 different religious orders and congregations in Toronto, and pray for God's blessings upon them and their vocation of living the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience.



Looking for New Members

The **St. Vincent De Paul Society – St. Theresa's Chapter** is looking for new volunteer members. Please call John Rochford - 647-235-9406 for details.

Other Community Events

➤ **Scarboro Missions Annual Lecture**

Saturday, March 6, 2010 - 10:00 a.m.

Scarboro Missions, 2685 Kingston Road

"Where are We? Responsibility, Spirituality, And Place in a Global Age" by Dr. Vincent Miller, PhD., Associate Professor of Theology, University of Dayton, Ohio and holder of the Gudorf Chair in Catholic Theology and Culture at the University of Dayton Ohio. He was Associate Professor in the Theology Dept., Georgetown University and received his doctorate in Systematic Theology from the University of Notre Dame. Admission is Free. For more details please call 416-261-7135 ext. 227.

➤ **God, Sex and the Meaning of Life Workshop**

Saturday, February 13, 2010 - 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Epiphany of Our Lord Parish, 3200 Pharmacy Ave

Based on John Paul II's Theology of the Body. Free Admission (lunch is provided). Study Guide is \$10.00 (optional). Discover why God created us male and female. Everyone welcome. To register, call 416-499-2196 or email epiphanychurch@rogers.com. Visit online at www.godsexandthethemeaningoflife.com.

➤ **New Beginnings for Widowed, Separated and Divorced Persons**

Special Live-In Weekend Retreat

Feb. 5 – 7 at Scarboro Mission, 2685 Kingston Rd.

Have you suffered the loss of a spouse through death, separation or divorce? Are you looking for strength to deal with your grief? For more information please contact New Beginnings at 416-921-1163 ext. 2246.

Haiti Relief Fund

Thank you very much for your generous donation to the Haiti Relief Fund. So far, we have collected \$ 5,507.96. This will be forwarded to the ShareLife office. If you still wish to contribute to the Relief Fund, please send your donation to the parish office. Cheques should be issued to "**ShareLife – St. Theresa's Church – Haiti Relief**". *Please note that ShareLife processes these donations with no administrative fees applied in order to maximize the impact of donor contributions.*

Prayer Service for Victims in Haiti

Monday, Feb. 1 at 7:30 p.m., St. Paul's Basilica

Let us participate in a special prayer service for the victims of the devastating earthquake in Haiti. Representatives from faith communities throughout the GTA including Archbishop Thomas Collins will join together in prayer as we remember all those impacted by the January 12 earthquake. All are welcome.

Charitable Tax Receipts

Tax receipts for donations given in 2009 are now available for pick up at the back of the church. St. Theresa's Parish is always grateful and appreciates your generosity and continuing support.

Dr. Simone's Food for Children

The collection will be **next weekend, Feb. 6/7**. Most needed items are **bars of soap, dry or canned beans and sewing supplies**. Volunteers are also invited to help pack and sort the donated goods, before the 10am and 11:30am masses on Sunday, Feb. 7th. Thank you for your continued support.

