

The Church's year is drawing to a close. During the coming weeks, the liturgies invite us to look forward in hope to the glorious fulfilment of God's plan for creation.

At the time of Jesus' ministry, the Jewish nation was full of restless expectations – giving rise at times to uprisings seeking to throw off the yoke of Roman occupation. The Jerusalem Temple not only symbolised the nation's life and hopes; it was one of the wonders of the ancient world, filling God's people with joy and pride each time they saw it. The disciples of Jesus would have been shocked, therefore, when Jesus interrupted their buzz of admiration to foretell the Temple's destruction. This prediction was well known - at the trial of Jesus, outrage was expressed that he had spoken of the destruction of the Temple. Today's scholarship sees his dramatic disrupting of the life of the Temple, at this same time, as an act pointing to the end of the era symbolised by the old Temple.



The sun of righteousness will shine out

The restless expectations of Israel - that were the explosive background to Jesus teaching – recalled the words of the great prophets, and anticipated a turning point in history, confronting the nations of the world with Israel's special place in the designs of God. It is important to appreciate these expectations as we interpret the message of Jesus. The Jewish people did not look forward to the end of history, but to an intervention of God that would inaugurate a new era of human history. In this new era, all the institutions of Israel, such as the Temple worship, would be even more glorious. Jesus certainly brings the message that the hopes of Israel are to be realised; but it will be a realisation that shows such things as the Temple as only a pale foreshadowing of God's final blessings.

For the full text of Fr. Thornhill's weekly reflection, visit his website: www.theemmausseries.com/c33sunday.html

Conclusion of Jubilee of Mercy

As the Year of Mercy draws to a close on November 20, we give thanks to God for this special time and for all of the graces and blessings we have received. May the prayers and the actions we have engaged in make us stronger in faith and more committed to be agents of God's mercy and grace in a broken and hurting world. On the 20th The Holy Door at St. Peter's Basilica in Rome will close.

In the Archdiocese of Toronto, we have nine Doors of Mercy, which have brought many graces to the faithful throughout the Year of Mercy: Martyrs' Shrine, Midland, Merciful Redeemer Parish, Mississauga, St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Bramalea, St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish, Mississauga, St. Patrick's Parish, Brampton, St. Patrick's Parish, Toronto, St. Paul's Basilica, St. Theresa's Parish, Scarborough and The Shrine of Our Lady of Grace at Marylake, King City.

For more information about the Year of Mercy in the Archdiocese of Toronto or to find out how to visit a Holy Door before the Year of Mercy ends on November 20th, go to www.archtoronto.org/mercy.

"By your endurance you will gain your souls." Be patient with yourself and with God as you await the sign of your call.

If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocations Director, Archdiocese of Toronto. 416-968-0997 vocations@vocations.ca www.vocationstoronto.ca

Readings ~ Malachi 4.1-2 ~ 2 Thessalonians 3.7-12 ~ Luke 21.5-19

PARISH

Mass Intentions This Week – November 14–20

Please join us as we pray for the following announced intentions...

	Intention(s):	Offered by:
Monday, 9am	✠ Robert Sutherland	Janet Salter
Tuesday, 9am	✠ Edward Ducharme	Michael Foran
Wednesday, 9am	✠ Larry Crooks	The Family
Thursday, 9am	✠ Mark Johnston	The Flynn Family
Friday, 9am	✠ Terry McElroy	The Temple Family
Saturday, 9am	✠ members of the Mahoney Family	
5:15pm	✠ Karl Blum	Ted and Lore Unser
Sunday, 8am	✠ Connie Broden	The Family
9:30am	✠ Maria Medal	The Medal Family
11am	✠ Marian Gorski	Danuta Gorski
12:30pm	✠ Laura Sadvari	Gina Valle and Family

November: Month of Remembrance

For the month of November the shrine of St. Joseph is decorated to commemorate our loved ones who have died in the Lord. The Book of the Dead is available to receive the names of our dearly departed. All Soul's Day envelopes are available.

Shepherds' Trust – Special Collection THIS WEEKEND Nov. 12/13

The Shepherds' Trust supports the needs of the retired diocesan clergy of the Archdiocese of Toronto who have served our family of faith, bringing us the sacraments and enriching our parishes, homes, schools, hospitals and countless other gatherings through their ministry. The Shepherds' Trust appeal offers us the opportunity to recognize that service in a tangible way. Through your support we provide the necessary resources to our retired priests and disabled diocesan priests to lead a dignified life after many years of active ministry.

Support Pro-Life THIS weekend Nov. 12/13:

1) Campaign Life Christmas Cakes available this weekend Nov. 12/13 after each mass. The fruit-cakes come from the monks of Val Notre-Dame Abbey in Quebec. The cakes are scrumptious, rich and exquisitely delicious. They really make wonderful gifts for family and friends. Pricing : traditional bar cakes (600 gms) \$15; while the larger deluxe cakes (1000gms) \$25.00.

2) Toronto Right to Life Christmas Cards \$8.00 per pack (tax included) / 10 cards & envelopes per pack. Mixed packs include a variety of popular designs.

Rosaries for Sale next weekend - November 19/20 after all Sunday Masses

Proceeds go to Canadian Food For Children to help Dr. Simone send food, medicine and clothing to the Missionaries in the developing countries of Africa, Central America, South America, Philippines and Canada.

Out of the Cold Concert - November 26 @ 1:30pm

The Caroling in The Kingsway concert, in support of "Out of the Cold," sponsored by the Kingsway BIA is a popular Christmas event. Come hear the over 100 combined interfaith choirs from Our Lady of Sorrows Church (Senior, Chorale, Youth, Chamber choirs), All Saints' Kingsway Anglican Church and Royal York United Church, the Mosaic Canadian Vocal Ensemble, the Salvation Army Silver Band Etobicoke Citadel as they present a selection of traditional Christmas carols and seasonal choral works. Free will offering.



"The greatest challenge of the day is: how to bring about a revolution of the heart, a revolution which has to start with each one of us." – Dorothy Day

COMMUNITY

REMINDER TO ALL PARISHIONERS

We are in the process of preparing the 2017 offertory envelopes for mailing. Please call the parish office at 416 231 6016 or email luisa@sorrows.ca to update your information for any changes. For newcomers who would like to receive offertory envelopes, registration forms are available at the church office or on our website, www.sorrows.ca.

Rosary – prayed before 9am Mass + Rosary Group meets Fridays, 2pm, Parish Hall
Five decades daily, fifteen decades on Fridays followed by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

Children's Liturgy of the Word – Join Us!

This program for young parishioners (ages 4–10) takes place on Sundays at the 9:30am Mass.

A public meeting has been scheduled for November 15, 2016 at 7:00 pm at St. Gregory Catholic School regarding a Boundary Review of the area including St. Marcellus, St. Gregory, Mother Cabrini, Nativity of Our Lord and Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Schools.



Details about the review will also be posted on the Board website at <https://www.tcdsb.org/Board/PlanningandFacilities/PlanningServices/BoundaryReview/Pages/default.aspx>
All parishioners are welcome.

Portraits of Faith Book Launch

Tuesday, November 15 – 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., Sisters of St. Joseph, 101 Thorncliffe Park Dr., Toronto. Join us for a glass of wine and a chance to meet some of the young adult authors. A formal address will be given by Joseph Sinasac, Publishing Director for Novalis. Contact: Vanessa Nicholas-Schmidt, Program Director, Sisters of St. Joseph Phone: 416-467-2645 Email: faithconnections@csj-to.ca

Holy Name of Mary College Schools Open House

Saturday, November 19 * 10:00am * 2241 Mississauga Rd., Mississauga Call: 905-891-1890 or Email: admissions@hnmcs.ca Website: <http://www.holynamemarycollegeschool.com/>

Benefit Concert to End Abuse to Women and Girls

Wednesday, November 23 – Doors open at 6 p.m.
Hugh's Room, 2261 Dundas St. W., Toronto
Presented by Catholic Family Services of Toronto Foundation. Enjoy live music with Enrico Galante and Friends, food and a silent auction, all for a good cause. Tickets can be purchased at Hugh's Room for \$40 or \$45 at the door. All proceeds go to Catholic Family Services of Toronto's Women Abuse Programs. Call 416-531-6604

Family Enrichment Toronto - Home Courses Married Love

Saturday November 26th, 7:00pm to 9:30pm, Mississauga Valley Community Center, 1275 Mississauga Valley Blvd., Cost: \$275 per couple. It is a course for couples of all ages; from those recently married to those celebrating many years, and all who wish to gain knowledge and skills to better themselves and their marriage relationship. You will certainly walk away with your marriage enriched. Call 905-827-3333 for more details.

Advent Retreat for Young Adults (18-39): "What Are YOU Waiting For?"

Sunday, November 26 – 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Henri Nouwen Society, 95 St. Joseph St., Toronto, Suite 214 COST: \$25 (includes refreshments and lunch. Contact us if cost is a concern). Registration required by November 19. Phone: 416-925-3745 Email: admin@henrinouwen.org