

## SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### PASTOR'S CORNER

#### Here are my 10 basic rules for a fulfilling and meaningful life:

1. **Micro-attention:** Stare at the world with intention, because nothing is too small or too mundane to deserve careful observation.
2. **See life as revelation:** The way God reveals things to you matters. So do not ignore the particular, personal insights that arrive in your daily life.
3. **Attend to the Divine in the ordinary:** God often shows up in dusty roads, hot afternoons, unremarkable people, and unexpected places, so look for Him there.
4. **Routines must be alive to bear fruit:** If you let it, your daily routines can become a living sap that enriches your soul by engaging with it in a meaningful way of reflection.
5. **Read deeply and eclectically:** Books are meant to expand your inner life, not just as a mere diversion, but as a vital nourishment for the imagination. So we are to learn much but maintain humility, for as John the Baptist famously proclaimed, *"He must increase and I must decrease"* (Jn 3:30).
6. **Embrace distractions:** Life will often interrupt you, so do not flinch. Stay attentive even when it is inconvenient, because God may want to say something to you.
7. **Don't worry about not being safe:** God also meets you in uncertainty more than anywhere else.
8. **Resist cynicism:** It is easy to get jaded. Instead, try to dare to look again and notice beauty, goodness and hope, even when life or others feel dull.
9. **Let curiosity be generous:** Learn from others' insights too, because wisdom grows in conversation, not monologue. Only in this way we can truly enjoy life and understand its purpose.
10. **Live as though the world is sacred:** Whether it is a busy morning, a quiet afternoon, or a peaceful evening in ordinary time, look at reality as an invitation to wonder, not as a backdrop for boredom, for as a poet wrote:

*"Life molds us like clay,  
Alchemy of joy and sorrow,  
Each tear a drop of cosmic ink,  
Writing stories on our souls  
in this grace-filled experience of God."*

*Fr. Slawek*

# JANUARY 18, 2026

## WHAT IS THE PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING PLAN?

PreAuthorized Giving ("PAG") is plan to assist you in supporting your Parish through regular financial offerings.

The operation and maintenance of your parish is made possible through the generous and regular offertory giving of our parishioners. In response to changing lifestyles and demands on your time, the PAG plan will assist you in establishing a systematic giving program.

The PAG plan creates a win / win situation for you and Holy Spirit Church. Enrolment for the PAG plan is a very simple procedure. When you enroll, your offering will be automatically withdrawn from your designated bank account on the 20th day (or next business day) of each month. This amount will electronically be deposited to the Parish's account.

The PAG plan does not cover the special collections; therefore, we encourage you to continue using the envelopes made available at the back of the church.

**Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre**  
2325 Liverpool Road , Pickering, Ontario L1X 1V4

**Eucharist – Church: Where we learn a spirituality of Encounter and Service.**

**January 26 @ 9:00 am – 3:30 pm**  
**\$70.00 Suggested Offering**

**DAY OF REFLECTION FOR MEN & WOMEN:** We will reflect and pray on different movements and parts of the Eucharistic celebration.

- Gathering of God's People
- Listening to God's Word
- Thanksgiving for God's deeds in history
- Sharing the Meal Jesus left us
- Sent forth into the world on mission.

**Facilitated by: Fr. Charlie Pottie, SJ**  
To register call 905-839-2864

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Tuesday, January 20

9 a.m. Intentions of Hollis Gonzales.

### Wednesday, January 21

9 a.m. Private Intentions

### Thursday, January 22

9 a.m. Intentions of Fr. Eran Amarasingha on his birthday.

### Friday, January 23

- 9 a.m. + Repose of the soul John Luu Van req. by Kim  
+ Repose of the soul of Marites C. Balisacan req. by Kim.  
+ Repose of the soul of Neil Belsonda req. by Cathy Manlapaz.

### Saturday, January 24

4:30 p.m. Intentions of thanksgiving for Agnes Pereira

### Sunday, January 25

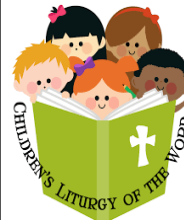
9 a.m. Intentions of all Parishioners.

11 a.m. Intentions of Jessie Arrodaya req. by Nunji Sawicki.

## Children's Liturgy

Every Sunday

For the 9 a.m. & 11 a.m. Masses.



**The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul**  
*Turning concern into action*

*Whoever is kind to the POOR lends to the Lord and will be repaid in full" ..Proverbs 19.17*

God is able to provide us with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, we may share abundantly in every good work. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul counts on your generous support.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!**

## ARE YOU MOVING? OR HAVE YOU ALREADY MOVED?



Please contact the parish office so your records can be updated. Thank you.



## COFFEE & TEA & SNACKS SOCIAL

**Wednesday, January 21, 2026**

Everyone welcome

## FRIDAY MASS CHANGING TO COLLECTIVE MASS 2026

**Starting in January 2026**, we will be accepting multiple intentions (up to 5) at the Friday 9:00 a.m. Mass. You may request to have your intention included in the Friday Mass until 1:00 p.m. each Thursday in the parish office providing available intentions. The suggested donation for each intention is \$20. This new practice is meant to help those of you who may have an urgent need to pray for your loved one who has just died, or you may have a special intention for a person who has serious health problems. This collective Mass will aid in helping upkeep the parish.

*The kindest thing we can  
do for anyone is speak  
the truth.*