

St. Thomas More Parish

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Priests of the Sacred Heart

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Office hours: Monday to Friday - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday - 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

New Parishioners are requested to register in the parish by phone or email.



Mass Schedule

Sunday Masses

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m.,
11:30 a.m., 8:00 p.m.
Spanish 2:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday to Friday 7:30 a.m.

Tuesday to Friday 7:00 p.m.

Saturday & Holidays 9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday: 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. and 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.

Baptism: Contact the parish office. Baptisms are scheduled monthly on the third and fourth Saturdays in English; on the second Saturday in Spanish.

Marriage: Contact the parish office one year in advance.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick: If any family member with a serious illness or preparing for surgery wishes to celebrate this Sacrament, please call the parish office.

Liturgical Ministries

Lectors	Ven Faundo	416-299-4404
Eucharistic Ministers	Felipe and Grace Mantes	416-759-2335
Music Ministry	Donald Torres	647-449-6583
Altar Servers	Reston Senining	647-834-5546
Ushers/Greeters	Aduino Bertazzon	416-438-0507
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Nora Lovgren	416-439-1545
Communion to the Sick	Hy Francis	416-284-7851

Schools

St. Thomas More Elementary School	2300 Ellesmere Road	416-393-5322
St. Edmund Campion Elementary School	30 Highcastle Drive	416-393-5356
St. John Paul II Secondary School	685 Military Trail	416-393-5531

Youth Ministry

Youth Group

Drusilla Lobo.....drusilla17lobo@hotmail.com

Young Adults for Christ

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Parish Groups

Parish Council

Mike Carolan.....416-282-4750

Finance Council

Alan King.....416-439-1545

Screening Committee

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St. Vincent de Paul Society

Martel Gordon-Tennant.....416-439-7827

Be Not Afraid – Follow the Shepherd’s Voice

Today we celebrate the Sunday of the Good Shepherd. The Church has proclaimed this Sunday to be a special occasion of prayer for vocations. We raise our supplication to God in favour of all those who have heard the voice of the Good Shepherd and chose to follow Him more closely in the religious life and priesthood. In fact, we need to ask the Lord of the Harvest to send more labourers. In the eyes of many, men and women who commit themselves to God’s service are wasting their lives. However, to those who accept this calling the Good Shepherd has assured protection, fulfillment and eternal life.

I am a living witness of this truth! God has given me so much... more than I deserved. It was not due to my talents or personal merits that God has called me, but He did so only and exclusively because of His steadfast love and generosity. I opened my heart to Him and He modeled my life. Since then I have been profoundly blessed. I do not regret one single day of my priesthood. In fact I will be eternally grateful.

In the Gospel we see how close the Shepherd is to His flock; “My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me.” You, young man and young woman... If today you hear God’s voice in the depths of your heart do not be afraid of answering Him. He is calling you to this beautiful relationship. You will not lose your life; rather you will really find it. Give him your “YES” and He will guide you. Don’t be afraid! Remember, if God is calling you it is because He loves you.

Fr. Will, SCJ

Mass Intentions for April 16 - 23, 2016

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Leela Anthonipillai, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Ida P. Innasipillai, requested by the family
	10:00 a.m.	In thanksgiving, Glorivin Gowie Garcia
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Nicasio & Anaclea Jarquio, requested by the family
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Souls in purgatory, requested by M. Ciuffreda
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Vianca Abreu, requested by the Rodrigues family
	7:00 p.m.	+Georgina & Augusto Postigo, requested by the family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Fr. Willyans Rapozo SCJ
	7:00 p.m.	+Vincent James, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Erlinda Rostata
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of Bridgit Ode and family
		+Rannison Frank, requested by U. Frank
		+Gerrard Perumal, requested by N. Bastianpillai
		+Cora Calixterio & Teodoro Tagle, requested by T. Elmido
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Violeta Dela Cruz, requested by J. Quito & C. Roque
	7:00 p.m.	+Joseph Emmanuel Rajahratnam, requested by the family
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Oto Corsano, requested by B. & A. Benedict

First Holy Communion

Sunday, April 17th

Our parish children will be receiving their First Holy Communion at the 11:30 a.m. Mass today. Please pray for these children as they grow in their faith.

ShareLife



“The ShareLife campaign provides for the needs of our social service agencies, helps our brothers and sisters in Christ across the world, and supports the education of our clergy. It is important that we continue to support the ShareLife appeal, to provide for the needs of the marginalized both here in our communities and around the world. Regardless of their religious beliefs or personal background, ShareLife agencies meet people where they are, treating them with the dignity and respect we all deserve.” – *Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto.*

To date we have collected \$18,789.05 for ShareLife. Thank you for your generosity!

Today is ShareLife Sunday - April 17, 2016.
Thank you for your generosity. You can work wonders!

Walk-In Counselling Services



Catholic Family Services have walk-in counselling services available on Tuesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Their office is located at 1155 Yonge Street, Suite 100 (at Summerhill Avenue).

The counselling staff is trained to offer same-day service to those who have an urgent need to speak with a counsellor. The single-session consultation is aimed at helping individuals, couples or family members identify and address their concerns. No appointment is necessary.

Recycle Your Electronics

Friday, April 22 and Saturday, April 23



St. John Paul II Catholic Secondary School is holding a Collection Event for all your end-of-life electronics on Fri., Apr. 22 and Sat., Apr. 23 all day. Materials from this equipment will be recycled to raise funds and stay out of

landfills. Students will receive your devices at the school (685 Military Trail) in the east parking lot.

Bundle Up Collection

Weekend of May 7 and 8



The St. Thomas More Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society is having a Bundle Up Collection on the weekend of May 7 / 8. Please bring your gently used clean clothing, linens, footwear and other household items to the truck which will be in the church parking lot that weekend. Vincentians will be happy to receive your donations before and after all the Masses. Thank you for your support.

Praying for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Everest D'Souza, Thelma Chang, Margaret Gajewski, Rita Croft, Nan Nixon and Denise Wilde. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry by the grace of God.

Seeing Christ Everywhere

In order to face suffering in peace: suffer without imposing on others a theory of suffering....without proclaiming yourself a martyr, without counting out the price of your courage, without disdain sympathy, and without seeking too much of it.

We must be sincere in our sufferings as in anything else. We must recognize at once our weakness and our pain, but we do not need to advertise them. We must face the fact that it is much harder to stand the long monotony of slight suffering than a passing onslaught of intense pain.

In either case, what is hard is our own poverty, and the spectacle of our own selves reduced more and more to nothing, wasting away in our own estimation and in that of our friends. We must be willing to accept also the bitter truth that, in the end, we may have to become a burden to those who love us.

But it is necessary that we face this also. It takes heroic charity and humility to let others sustain us when we are absolutely incapable of sustaining ourselves.

We cannot suffer well unless we see Christ everywhere—both in suffering and in the charity of those who come to the aid of our affliction.

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