

St. Thomas More Parish

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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.....youth.stmyg@yahoo.ca

Young Adults for Christ

Andy Rodriguesstmyac@gmail.com

Parish Groups

Parish Council

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

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I am the Resurrection and the Life

Today's Gospel speaks about another sign performed by Jesus in order to increase the faith of His disciples: Jesus brings Lazarus back to life. During Lent, we have heard about Jesus' transfiguration, His encounter with the Samaritan woman and the healing of the blind Bartimaeus. All these events have the same purpose: to testify that Jesus is the true Son of God. Nevertheless, the resurrection of Lazarus is the most extraordinary of these miracles. It reveals that whoever believes in Jesus Christ will have the fullness of life.

Ezekiel's vision in the First Reading describes how God sent His Spirit into the valley of dry bones. Since the people of Israel were like the dead, lacking faith and hope, God promised to open their graves and revive their bodies. He said, "I will put my spirit within you and you shall live." Moreover, St. Paul affirms to the Romans, "anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him." We have been given the Spirit of Christ in Baptism and Confirmation. Now, this life in the Holy Spirit leads us to believe and abide in the Lord even when everything seems to discourage us.

Affected by grieving, Martha and Mary expressed their disappointment with Jesus over the death of their brother. Jesus was his close friend; He was supposed to be there when they called for Him. Yet, when the Lord arrived, Lazarus was in the tomb for four days already. The two sisters were wondering the reason for delay. Isn't He our Saviour? Why has He forsaken us? Despite their doubts, Jesus shows the power of God to whom nothing is impossible.

This Sunday's Liturgy is an invitation to come out of the tomb; to untie the bonds that enslave and separate us. Let us renounce every power that prevents us from enjoying the freedom of God's children. Let us allow simple daily miracles to increase our faith that Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life. God wants us to leave grief behind and find in His Son the fullness of life.

Fr. Will, SCJ

Mass Intentions for April 1 - 8, 2017

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Deceased members of the Schuyffel and Kastanis families
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Raffaele, Sebastiana & Maria Privitera, Moses & Lucy Kennedy, requested by the Privitera family
	10:00 a.m.	+Teodoro P. Tagle, requested by Tessie & Elena
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Crispiniana Saguban & In thanksgiving, requested by the family
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Law Ji Cecilia, requested by C. Cheung
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving. Angela Wallinson
	7:00 p.m.	+Isabella Lopes, requested by R. & T. Lopes
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Souls in purgatory, especially members of FOSS, requested by E. Myers
	7:00 p.m.	+Clarine Perera, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Winivee Faundo, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	In thanksgiving, Vitus & Michelle James
		+Rosie Furtado, requested by the Nijmeh family
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Rosie Furtado, requested by B. Ng
		+Floro Lucas Sr., requested by E. L. Lord
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of the sick
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Basil Benedict, Sr., requested by the family

Lenten Reconciliation Service

Wednesday, April 5 at 7:30 p.m.

The Lenten Reconciliation Service will be held on Wed., Apr. 5 at 7:30 p.m. We will have many priests available for confessions.

Holy Week Schedule for 2017

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Palm Sunday – April 9

Vigil Mass on Saturday: **5:00 p.m.**

Masses: **8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.,
8:00 p.m.**

2:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Holy Thursday – April 13

NO 7:30 a.m. Mass

Misa de la Cena del Señor: **5:30 p.m.**

Mass of the Lord's Supper: **8:00 p.m.**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

(English): **10:00 – 11:00 p.m.**

(Spanish): **11:00 – 12:00 p.m.**

Good Friday – April 14

Spanish Via Crucis: **9:00 a.m.**

Pasion y Muerte del Señor: **10:00 a.m.**

Solemn Celebration – Lord's Passion & Death:

12:00 noon and 3:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross: **7:00 p.m.**

Holy Saturday – April 15

NO 9:00 a.m. Mass

Vigilia Pascual: **5:00 p.m.**

Easter Vigil: **8:00 p.m.**

Easter Sunday – April 16

Masses: **8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.**

2:00 p.m. (Spanish)

NO 8:00 p.m. Mass

Easter Monday – April 17

Mass: **9:00 a.m. (only)**

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday at 6:20 p.m.

Each Friday evening during Lent the Stations of the Cross will take place at 6:20 p.m. followed by Mass at 7:00 p.m.

Is God Calling You?

“Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?” Do you believe that your plan is God's plan? If God is calling you to serve Him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, please contact Fr. Chris Lemieux at 416-968-0997 or at vocations@archtoronto.org.

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“The ShareLife campaign provides for the needs of our social service agencies, helps to evangelize the Gospel to 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. Sometimes the results are oblivious and sometimes they're invisible but, always they make a tangible difference in the lives of people we are helping

**Today is ShareLife Sunday - April 2, 2017.
Please give generously.**

Praying for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Dominic, Rita Croft, Itoua Steve, Henry Sharp, Vijaya Swamy, Mikayla Hasswell, Albert Vella, Bella Passanha, Denise Whyte and Kenny Corraya May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry by the grace of God.

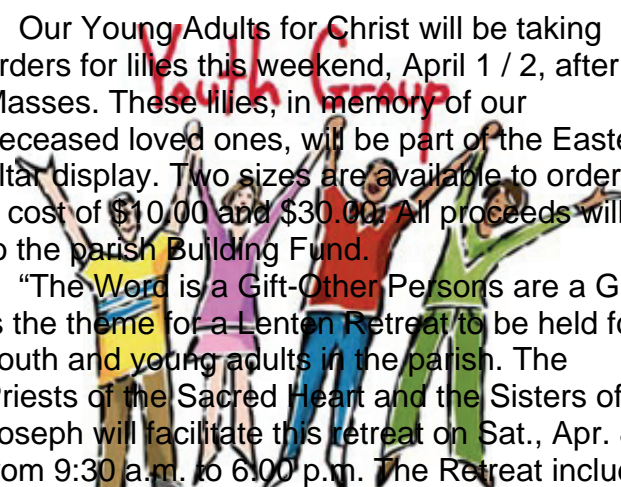
News for the Young Adults for Christ


Weekend of April 1 / 2

Saturday, April 8 at 9:30 a.m.

Our Young Adults for Christ will be taking orders for lilies this weekend, April 1 / 2, after all Masses. These lilies, in memory of our deceased loved ones, will be part of the Easter altar display. Two sizes are available to order at a cost of \$10.00 and \$30.00. All proceeds will go to the parish Building Fund.

“The Word is a Gift-Other Persons are a Gift” is the theme for a Lenten Retreat to be held for youth and young adults in the parish. The Priests of the Sacred Heart and the Sisters of St. Joseph will facilitate this retreat on Sat., Apr. 8 from 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The Retreat includes talks, praise and worship, confession, Eucharistic Adoration and Mass. Please register at stmyac@gmail.com or youth.stmyac@yahoo.ca or call 416-439-1545.






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