

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	Lorna D'Souza	416-431-7685
Eucharistic Ministers	Clara Peters-Onagoruwa	416-439-1545
Music Ministry	Donald Torres	647-449-6583
Altar Servers	Patrick Pillainayagam	stmparish.altarservers@gmail.com
Ushers/Greeters	Percy D'Mello	647-404-5394
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Nardina Grande	416-419-8254
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 Road	416-393-5356
St. John Paul II Secondary School	685 Military Trail	416-393-5531

Palm Sunday

Youth Ministry

Youth Minister

Mel Perpose.....melperpose@gmail.com

Young Adults for Christ

Racine Senining..... stmyac@gmail.com

Parish Groups

Parish Council

Clara Peters-Onagoruwa.....416-439-1545

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Screening Committee

Parish office.....416-439-1545

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Palm Sunday

This Sunday is Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion. This is the beginning of Holy Week, and we begin with the commemoration of Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem. The crowds, the people who are looking for the Messiah, line the streets of Jerusalem awaiting His arrival. They were expecting a messianic king who would be the mighty warrior and political saviour of their nation. That is why they welcome Him spontaneously and warmly. They spread their cloaks and tree branches on the street. They proclaim that Jesus is "The Son of David," when He enters their city, riding on a donkey.

But five days later, on Good Friday when they see that nothing has happened they drift away and these same crowd shouts, "Crucify Him!" Why then do they change their attitude?

If we are honest with ourselves, we too, like the crowds, change our attitude towards God depending on our convenience. We are obedient on one day and become a betrayer the next day. This Holy Week is a time to remember that God remains faithful despite our inconsistency and unfaithfulness. He waits for the important moment when we accept Him as our Lord and Saviour. Holy Week is also a moment of grace for us. It is a time to reflect upon the great love of God for us through his suffering and death on the cross. Love is a two-way relationship. God expects us to respond to this love. But if our response is one of betrayal, abandonment, and killing God, we should ask for his forgiveness and mercy.

So, our reflection is: Have we abandoned God? How often do we deny and abandon Christ by the way that we live? How can we make our Holy Week more meaningful?

Fr. Aegi Warsito SCJ

Mass Intentions for April 1 – 8, 2023

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Abelardo Lacson, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Helen Enguerra, requested by the family
	10:00 a.m.	+Segundo Talag, requested by the family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the Parish Community
	8:00 p.m.	+Yvonne Rampersaud, requested by S. McDoom
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Joseph Appiah and the Deceased members of the Appiah family and Kenn Shah, requested by S. McDoom
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Phyllis Coglieno, Carlos and Norma De Sa, requested by S. McDoom
	7:00 p.m.	In thanksgiving for Angela Wallinson
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Anna Di Maio requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Sixto Antonio and Dante Gozun, requested by M. Gozun
Thursday	Holy Thursday (No Intentions)	
Friday	Good Friday (No Intentions)	
Saturday	Holy Saturday (No Intentions)	

Prayers Needed for the Sick



Please join us in praying for the sick Keith Achut, Sheri-Anne Asaro, Sharmi Basnayaha, Willy Bautista, Aduino Bertazzon, Naly Chia, Frank Del Luca, Sebastiano del Amo, Silvana De Re, Jill & Matthew Downs, Georgia Dynes, Lee Esmonde, Alfred Fernandes, Anna Ferreira, Doreen Francis, Crizza Jane Gabon, Brayden Gangaram, Veronica Harding, Elias Joseph, Mary Lavrisa, Don Lee, Jack Muir, Victoria Munson, Robert Hill, Noli Mababangloob, Suraj Mahwela, Tania Miles, Lynette Nicholson-Phipps, Angelo Pagniello, Alba Parada, Denisse Ramirez, Brian and Evelyn Rozario, Silvia Ruscica, Olivia Lam, William Passanha, Lim Hong Kong, Suma Reddy, Theresa Tomaschek Sr., Rudy Gawrets Vidic, Jocelyn Villacorta, Lina Vitello, Ellie Vitello, Glenn Whalen, Art Williams and Viktor F. Zakrajsek.

May they be supported by our prayers, our ministry and by God's grace.

Holy Week Schedule for 2023

<i><u>Spanish</u></i>	<i><u>English</u></i>
<u>Palm Sunday – April 2</u> 2:00 p.m. (Spanish)	<u>Palm Sunday – April 2</u> Vigil Mass on Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday Masses: 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 8:00 p.m.
<u>Holy Thursday – April 6</u> NO 7:30 a.m. Mass Misa de la Cena del Señor: 5:30 p.m. Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento 11:00 – 12:00 am (Oración privada)	<u>Holy Thursday – April 6</u> NO 7:30 a.m. Mass Mass of the Lord's Supper: 8:00 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 – 10:00 p.m. (Private prayer)
<u>Good Friday – April 7</u> Spanish Via Crucis: 9:00 a.m. Pasion y Muerte del Señor: 10:00 a.m.	<u>Good Friday – April 7</u> Solemn Celebration of the Passion and Death of the Lord: 12:00 noon and 3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross: 7:00 p.m.
<u>Holy Saturday – April 8</u> NO 9:00 a.m. Mass Vigilia Pascual: 5:30 p.m.	<u>Holy Saturday – April 8</u> NO 9:00 a.m. Mass Resurrection Vigil/Easter Eucharist: 8:30 p.m.
<u>Easter Sunday – April 9</u> 2:00 p.m. (Spanish) NO 8:00 p.m. Mass	<u>Easter Sunday – April 9</u> Masses: 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. NO 8:00 p.m. Mass
<u>Easter Monday – April 10</u> Mass: 9:00 a.m. (only)	

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land Trip and Rome

Our Pastor Father Aegidius will be leading a 14 day pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Rome from October 7-20, 2023. All Parishioners are invited to join the Pilgrimage. For full details including the cost of the trip, please pick up a brochure from the Parish office 416-439-1545. **Note: Only few spots are left.**

St. Thomas More Charismatic Prayer Meeting

"Come to me all you who are laboured and heavily burdened and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28

Join us for a spirit filled thanksgiving, praise and worship and fellowship every Thurs. night at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish hall. There will also be sharing of the Word, intercession, testimonies and individual prayer ministry.

For details, contact: Arthur and Sheela Taylor (416-528-5953)

Sacramental Prep News

Email: stmpsacraments@gmail.com



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

- Please watch the bulletin for dates for the fall registration.

CONFIRMATION

- Please watch the bulletin for dates for the fall registration.

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

- Please watch the bulletin for dates for the fall registration.

Welcoming Jesus into our hearts by sharing our Blessings



Today is Palm Sunday. In our Lenten observance, we have been called to welcome Jesus into our hearts. Let us follow His example of sacrifice by sharing with those who need our help the most. One way we can do so is by giving generously to ShareLife.

Thank you for your support and for living the Gospel by providing for those in need.

When marking your contribution to ShareLife, please use the ShareLife envelopes provided. If you choose to make your donation online please do so through our parish website or <http://www.sharelife.org/donate>.

The Pauline Books & Media Centre

The Pauline Books & Media Centre is bringing a mini-Book Centre to St. Thomas More!




Join the Daughters of St. Paul in the Parish Hall after the Saturday Vigil & Sunday Masses on April 22-23 to choose from an excellent selection of Catholic books for children, youth & adults, including for Communion, Confirmation and Mother's Day!

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