

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	Dennis Cybulskie	416-494-8858
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

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Silvio Escobar.....silvio.escobar@live.com

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

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The Vine and the Branches

Today we reflect upon the last “I am” declaration of Jesus in the Gospel according to John. Addressing His disciples, He said: “I am the true vine and you are the branches”. This analogy symbolizes our deep dependence on Him for we, the branches, can only bear fruit if we remain united to Him, the Vine.

Although the Gospel presents the sad destiny of those branches that break their communion with the Vine – they will wither and be thrown into the fire – Jesus spoke these words at the last Supper to encourage His disciples to endure any trial and be faithful to Him. Shortly before this statement, Judas had left the table to betray the Lord and Jesus himself had revealed that His passion was at hand. Now Jesus wanted His friends, not only those eleven, but those of all time, to know that He was not going to desert them, even though they would no longer enjoy His physical presence.

Besides, as the branches keep connected to the trunk they are assured of nourishment. Branches cannot survive on their own. It is the trunk that gives energy and the possibility of bearing fruit. This truth makes us think about those plans and endeavors that do not work out.

Perhaps the reason is that we try to accomplish them by ourselves and do not rely on God as branches on the Vine. Once again, we are reminded that without Jesus we can do nothing. He is the source of wisdom for our choices, strength for our projects and life for our dreams. Let’s renew our commitment of union with the Vine and bear much fruit for God’s glory and the good of all.

Fr. Willyans SCJ

Mass Intentions for April 28 - May 5, 2018

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Intentions of Gwen Whittle
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Rafaele, Sebastiana & Maria Privitera and Moses & Lucy Kennedy, requested by the Privitera family
	10:00 a.m.	+Esther Amaechi, requested by the family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Cajetan Francis Fernandes, requested by the family
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Huan Espina, requested by the Abanes family
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Otello Nobles Sr., requested by L. Nobles
	7:00 p.m.	+Lily Finney, requested by the family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Mary Scallen, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Gracie F. D' Cruz, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Ricardo Ramos, requested by Batch 82
	7:00 p.m.	+Myra Samuels, requested by H. & V. Francis
		Intentions of Evan Isla
		+Gracie F. D'Cruz, requested by the family
		+Santa & Corrado Nucifora, requested by the family
		Intentions of Monroe, Christine & Phyllis De Silva
Friday	7:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving, Luisa Cobrana & family
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of the sick & dying
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Marcelina Isla, requested by the family

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Is God Calling You?

Our second Scripture reading reminds us that we are to love, not in word and speech only, but in truth and action. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux at 416-968-0997 or at vocations@archtoronto.org.

Prayers Needed for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Steve Goller, Esteban Badian, Lisa Andrade, Paul Dante Rodriguez, Leny Obcena, Daphne Chater, Albert Vella, Sierra Schaefer and Innes Potgieter. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

Blood Donor Clinics

Monday, April 30 and Saturday, May 26

Blood Donor Clinics will be open in our area from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on:

- Mon., Apr. 30 at Scarborough Civic Centre (150 Borough Drive)
- Sat., May 26 at Cedarbrook Community Centre (91 East Park Blvd.)

For more information, please visit www.blood.ca

First Friday Adoration

Friday, May 4, 2018



There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament all day on Fri., May 4 from 8:00 a.m. (after the 7:30 a.m. Mass) to 6:30 p.m. (before the 7:00 p.m. Mass). Please come and spend some time in adoration.

Marian Celebration

Saturday, May 12, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.



Please join us on Sat., May 12 for a Marian Celebration at 6:00 p.m. (after the 5 p.m. Mass). The celebrating priest will consecrate all those present to Our Lady of Fatima and crown her. The statue of Our Lady will be processed around the church premises followed by a floral offering.

First Holy Communion

Sunday, April 29

Our children have been preparing for the reception of their First Holy Communion over the last few months. They will receive their First Communion on:

- Sun., Apr. 29 at 11:30 a.m.

Please pray for these children as they receive this sacrament.

Catholic Education Week

May 6 – 11, 2018

We invite all parishioners to join in celebrating Catholic Education Week 2018, which runs from May 6 to 11. For more than 165 years, Ontario's publicly funded Catholic schools have been integrating our faith into all aspects of school life, nurturing the gifts and talents of every student. We celebrate the distinctive contribution that Catholic schools provide, giving thanks and offering our prayers for all those who faithfully journey with our young people each day. To affirm your support of Catholic Education and sign up for email updates, visit: www.togetherinfaith.ca.

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