

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	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

Youth Group

Drusilla.....stthomasmoreyouthgroup22@gmail.com

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

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Parish Council

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

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Peace Be With You

Peace is the first gift from the Risen Lord. The Gospel tells us that, due to a great fear of the Jews, the disciples were gathered with locked doors. All of a sudden, Jesus appears among them and says “*Shalom Aleichem!*” – “Peace be with you!” It is still a very common greeting among the Jewish people and in our Christian liturgies as well. It means not only peace itself but wellbeing, happiness, completeness. The disciples were afraid and troubled, but the encounter with the Risen Lord restores their peace. Breathing the Holy Spirit over them, Jesus also restores their courage to announce the Good News of the Resurrection.

In Jesus’ time, the Roman Empire had established a long period called “*Pax Romana*” – “Roman Peace”. The emperor intended to impose peace over his subjects. Every governor of each town was to enforce this peace which would avoid any kind of insurgency. This peace was maintained by the Roman Army and anyone who dared to protest would be condemned to death. We still remember the Jewish authorities telling Pilate (Roman Governor) that Jesus was a transgressor of the Law and if he did not condemn Him, he would not be a friend of Caesar (Emperor). In order to keep the “Roman Peace”, Pilate handed Jesus over to be crucified.

This is not the “peace” that Jesus, the true King, brought with His Resurrection. Jesus’ peace is not based on fear, violence and condemnation. Rather, it is joy, freedom and liberation. His peace was present with the first Christian community as they were one “in heart and mind”. There was no needy person among them because they shared all their resources. As St. John Paul II said: “Solidarity! This is the new name of Peace!”

Fr. Will SCJ

Mass Intentions for April 7 - 14, 2018

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Basil Benedict Sr., requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Souls in purgatory, especially deceased members of FOSS, requested by E. Myers
	10:00 a.m.	+Shihan De Silva, requested by the family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Leticia Liao, requested by the Lim family
Monday	9:00 a.m.	+Erwin Tomaschek, requested by the family
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Lana
	7:00 p.m.	+Edna May Lindo, requested by L. Esmond
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Mary Scallen, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Richard Laframboise, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of George
	7:00 p.m.	+Stanislaus De Silva, requested by the family
		+Audrey Wilson, requested by the James family
		+Maria Luz Ocampo, requested by the family
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Herminio Yambot, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of the Marin family
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Nicasio & Anacleta Jarquio, requested by the family

Good Friday Pontifical Collection

We wish to thank you for your generosity with our Good Friday collection; we raised \$9,467.45 for the Good Friday Pontifical Collection to help maintain the Holy Places and local Christian population in the Holy Land. Thank you!

Prayers Needed for the Sick



We are praying for the sick of our parish: Albert Vella, Innes Potgieter, Lourdes T. Alphonsus, Steve Goller, Rex Phillips, Sienna Harish, Leah

Arrora, Neil Abray, Pierre-Claver Kayumba, Yvonne Rampersaud, Phyllis Cogliano and Erinberto Austria. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

50th Anniversary of St. Thomas More School

Saturday, May 12 at 12:00 noon

The staff of St. Thomas More School invites you to their 50th Anniversary on Sat., May 12 beginning with Mass at 12:00 noon in our church. This will be followed by a gathering at the school until 3:00 p.m. Elsa Mihotic at the school is currently collecting photos from years gone by and if you have any to share, please drop them off for her at the school with your name, address and phone number on the back.

Is God Calling You?

Easter! Resurrection and new life; a new life shared from an earthen tomb. This has been the meaning of life for Christian people for two thousand years. There is nothing more secure, nothing more lasting. Come and share the thrill of proclaiming this truth through your life as a priest, religious or deacon. Contact Fr. Chris Lemieux at 416-968-0997 or at vocations@archtoronto.org.

Kolbe Eucharistic Apostolate

Join the Kolbe "Know Your Faith" series for a 5 week study on "The Psalms: The School of Prayer – Part II". Through prayer, study and informative DVDs deepen your awareness of God's merciful love in your own lives. Classes begin Tuesdays, on Tues., Apr. 10th, at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Cross Parish or on Saturdays, on Sat., Apr. 14th, at 9:45 a.m. at Blessed Trinity Parish. For more information, please visit www.kolbeapostolate.com

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Mental health problems can escalate if not addressed quickly. That's why the five Catholic

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**April 22 is the next ShareLife Sunday.
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A Meditation

The Ways God is Present

By the supernatural virtue of Charity, Divine Love dwells in the soul in a very personal, intimate relationship, for there are several different ways in which God can be present. First of all, God is present everywhere in the world, because He is the Power that made the world, the Wisdom that planned it, and the Love that executed it. God is also present—but personally—in the Eucharist, and in our souls so long as the Sacramental presence lasts. But there is still another Divine presence that is more abiding, and that is the presence of God in the soul through Charity. To be in the state of Grace through Charity does not mean that we have something, but that we are something. For one of the consequences of the Faith is that an extraordinary event happens to us; we receive a Gift. Many baptized souls are ignorant of this mystery and remain ignorant of it throughout their lives; for just as it is possible for some families to live under the same roof and never communicate, so it is also possible for a man to have God in his soul and yet hold little intimate exchange with Him. The more holy souls become, and the more detached from the world, the greater their consciousness of God's presence.

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