

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.....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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Palm Sunday - Celebrating a Paradox

Today we are invited to gather and celebrate the triumphant entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem. Humbly riding a donkey, the Lord was welcomed by a multitude that was eager to see the beginning of a new Reign. Spreading their cloaks on the ground and waving branches of palms, men and women cried out "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord."

Some hours later, Jesus was to face a very different scenario. The characters were the same but acting very differently. After being judged and condemned to the worst penalty of those times, a multitude of confused and frightened people shouted: "Crucify him! Crucify him!" What a paradox! He, who was greeted as a king, ended condemned as a criminal!

This incoherence is also present in our lives. There are moments when we welcome Jesus with an open heart and moments when we close the door to Him. Despite our human frailty, the Lord continues to love us. He never ceases to forgive and welcome us. Today, we begin Holy Week: the celebration of the greatest mystery of love ever seen. Let us sanctify it by participating with a deep faith in every special moment of this holy time. May the Lord help us to welcome Him with joy, to forgive those who have offended us and never crucify (hurt) a fellow brother or sister.

Fr. Will, SCJ



Mass Intentions for April 8 - 15, 2017

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Shihan De Silva, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Claire O'Reilly, requested by the family
	10:00 a.m.	+Erwin Tomaschek, requested by the family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Liberato Cagulada, requested by the family
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Agostinho Teixeira, requested by the family
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Mario Botelho, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Audrey Wilson, requested by the James family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Herminio Yambot, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Stanislaus De Silva, requested by the family

Holy Thursday No Intentions

Good Friday No Intentions

Holy Saturday No Intentions

Holy Week Schedule for 2017

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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 p.m.** (Spanish): **11:00 p.m.**

Good Friday – April 14

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

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

Lord's Passion & Death: **12:00 noon & 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)

ShareLife



Living the Gospel by supporting the Deaf Community...

Taavi wasn't engaged at his school or in extracurricular sports and as a deaf person he faced obstacles trying to join his hearing peers. His mom encouraged him to try to participate in the Deaf Community. His life changed when he joined a Deaf Basketball Fun Day hosted by Silent Voice and met Mike, Director of the Silent Voice Child and Family Program. He joined a deaf sports team, began a co-op position with Silent Voice in his 4th year of high school, and was hired as a counselor in the Silent Voice Sign Language Summer Day Camp. He continues to volunteer at Silent Voice and says, "I'm grateful for ShareLife-supported Silent Voice and want to be a role model for deaf kids, like Mike was to me." Last year more than 600 deaf children received help through ShareLife-supported Silent Voice's Sign Language Summer Camps.

To date we have collected \$24,383.16 which is 37% of our goal of \$65,000.00. Thank you to all those who have generously donated!

**Next ShareLife Sunday is May 7, 2017.
Please give generously.**

Is God Calling You?

"Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!" Are you being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If God is calling you, please contact Fr. Chris Lemieux at 416-968-0997 or at vocations@archtoronto.org.

Praying for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Yvonne Rampersaud, Phyllis Cogliano, 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.

Good Friday Pontifical Collection

Friday, April 14, 2017



The Pontifical Collection for the benefit of the

Holy Places is scheduled this year on Good Friday, April 14, 2017. Our parish, once a year on Good Friday, is called to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on the collection for their lives.

As a Pontifical collection requested by Pope Francis, the annual Good Friday Collection helps to maintain not only the Holy Places above all, but also the pastoral, welfare, educational and social works that the Church carries out to the benefit of the Christian brothers and sisters and the local population.

"Call for Conscience"

Now that Canada has legalized assisted suicide/euthanasia, did you know that doctors in Ontario are forced to provide direct referrals for patients seeking to end their lives? Doctors who object feel a direct referral is akin to being an accomplice to assisted suicide. No foreign jurisdiction in the world that has legalized euthanasia/assisted suicide has forced health care workers or facilities to act against their conscience. To learn more visit www.canadiansforconscience.ca, join the "Call for Conscience" and write directly to your Member of Provincial Parliament asking them to protect conscience rights.


Support Offered

Wednesday, April 19 at 7:00 p.m.
Monday, May 15 at 7:00 p.m.

New Beginnings is hosting two talks:

- "Beginning the Healing Journey after Separation and Divorce" on Wed., Apr. 19 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Seton Parish (17955 Leslie St.).
- "On Marriage and Annulments" on Mon., May 15 at 7:00 p.m. at the Catholic Pastoral Centre (1155 Yonge St. 4th floor).


For more information, please call Mary Benincasa at 416-921-1163.



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