# St. Thomas More Parish

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### **Parish Staff**

Pastor: Rev. Aegidius Warsito SCJ

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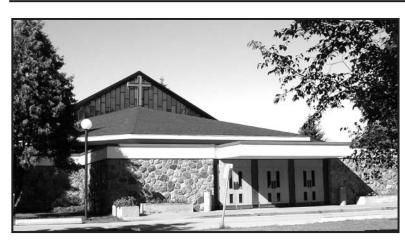
Priests of the Sacred Heart

Religious Ed. Coordinator: Michelle Peres **Secretaries:** Josie Elsner, Cathy Dessailly

Pastoral Council Chair: Mike Carolan Caretaker: Rodel Trivino 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.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Communion to the Sick

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**

Lorna D'Souza Lectors 416-431-7685 Clara Peters-Onagoruwa Eucharistic Ministers 416-439-1545 Music Ministry **Donald Torres** 647-449-6583 Altar Servers Patrick Pillainayagam

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## 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

#### **Youth Ministry**

Youth Chaplain

Fr. Antonio Pereira SCJ <u>stthomasmore@rogers.com</u>

Young Adults for Christ

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### **Parish Groups**

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Parish Council	
Mike Carolan	416-282-4750
Finance Council	
Alan King	416-284-7190
Screening Committee	
Parish office	416-439-1545
St. Vincent de Paul Society	
Martel Gordon-Tennant	416-439-7827

## The Fourth Sunday of Advent

This Sunday is the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent; this means that Christmas is around the corner. For sure, our mind, heart and energy are in the mood of Christmas celebration, but the question is: what will we do to celebrate Christmas?

The Gospel told us that Mary set out at that time and went as quickly as she could to visit her cousin Elizabeth. It was not a casual or ordinary event. Mary had just conceived Jesus in her womb and she had her own worries and anxieties to handle. It was certainly not a time to go travelling over the countryside. But having known that her cousin Elizabeth was already in her sixth month of pregnancy, Mary knew that she must be there for her. It was a call to an act of mercy: to show kindness to Elizabeth in her time of need and to share in her joy and anxiety of pregnancy.

The Gospel passage reminds us that there is always something that we can give, even if it is only kindness and compassion. Let us remember that every act of kindness, every act of compassion, every act of mercy is a steppingstone towards heaven. Every corporal and spiritual work of mercy is to make us be merciful just as the Father is merciful.

May this Christmas be a "Merry Christmas" for us. May this Christmas also be a "Merciful Christmas" as we give to others the gifts of kindness and compassion.

Our reflection is: what kind of gifts do we want to present for Baby Jesus in our daily lives?

Fr. Aegi Warsito SCJ

Mass Intentions for			
December 18 – 25, 2021			
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Paul Rajamani, Sr., Anne	
		& Vincent James,	
Com day.	0.20	requested by the family	
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Sarah Bedford- James,	
	10:00 a m	requested by the family	
	10:00 a.m.	+Eliza, Eusubius and Errol Lewis, requested the	
		D'Mello family	
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish	
	11.00 a	community	
	8:00 p.m.	+Gliceria Talag, requested	
	F	by the family	
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Emmanuel Gajbat,	
		requested by the Abad	
		family	
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Muriel and Ivor	
		Thomas	
	7:00 p.m.	+Brenda Brookes,	
		requested by J. Shepherd	
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Ivan Uribe, requested by	
	7.00	V. Rey	
	7:00 p.m.	+Rock Hopkins, requested	
Thereader	7.00	by L. Rodrigues	
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Joyel Manfred, requested	
	7:00 n m	by Priya	
	7:00 p.m.	+Albert Vella, requested by the family	
		In thanksgiving, the Abad	
		family	
		+Annaliza Mopas,	
		requested by the family	
		+Edith Damasco, requested	
		by E. Tee	
		In thanksgiving, the	
		Fernando family	
		+Nida Aldana, requested by	
		the family	
Friday	6:00 p.m.	+Chettina and Tonia	
Christmas		Difalco, requested by the	
Eve	11,00	family	
	11:30 p.m.	+Angelo Nepomuceno,	
		requested by G. Nepomuceno	
Saturday	8:30 a.m.	+Agostinho Teixeira,	
Christmas	5.55 a.m.	requested by the family	
Day	10:00 a.m.	+Mildred & Mary Finney,	
_		requested by R. Hassan	
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish	
	-	community	
		John Harmy	

Christmas & New	Year's Day Dates
Date	Mass time
Dec. 20 – 23	Regular schedule
Fri., Dec. 24 Christmas Eve	No 7:30 a.m. Mass 6:00 p.m. English Mass 8:00 p.m. Spanish Mass 11:30 p.m. English Mass
Sat., Dec. 25 Christmas Day (Office closed)	8:30 a.m. English Mass 10:00 a.m. English Mass 11:30 a.m. English Mass 2:00 p.m. Spanish Mass No 5:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. Mass
Sun., Dec. 26	8:30 a.m. English Mass 10:00 a.m. English Mass 11:30 a.m. English Mass 2:00 p.m. Spanish Mass 8:00 p.m. English Mass
Mon., Dec. 27 (Office closed)	9:00 a.m. English Mass
Tues., Dec. 28 (Office closed)	7:30 a.m. English Mass 7:30 p.m. English Mass
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closed)  Dec. 29 - 30  Fri., Dec. 31	7:30 p.m. English Mass Regular schedule No 7:30 a.m. Mass 6:00 p.m. Spanish Mass
closed)  Dec. 29 - 30  Fri., Dec. 31  New Year's Eve  Sat., Jan. 1  Feast of Mary, the Mother of God (New Year's Day)	7:30 p.m. English Mass Regular schedule No 7:30 a.m. Mass 6:00 p.m. Spanish Mass 8:00 p.m. English Mass 8:30 a.m. English Mass 10:00 a.m. English Mass 11:30 a.m. English Mass 2:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

## Prayers Needed for the Sick

We are praying for the sick: Helen Lazo, Emmanuel Fernando, Elias Khowry, Oliver, Ryder, Mary Lavrisa, John Difalco, Beatriz Tjong, Anita P. Sumabat, Paul Paboudjian, Nancy Skiba, Selvmani, Patrick W. O'Brien and those with COVID-19. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

## Sacramental Prep News Email: stmpsacraments@gmail.com



#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Registration is now open.

#### CONFIRMATION

Registration is now open.

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

Registration is now closed.

## Registration for FIRST HOLY COMMUNION and CONFIRMATION

Please come to the parish office during regular office hours and bring your child's BAPTISM CERTIFICATE and \$20.00 for the First Holy Communion preparation. For the sacrament of Confirmation, please bring your child's BAPTISM CERTIFICATE, your child's sponsor's BAPTISM CERTIFICATE and \$30.00.

If you have any questions, please contact us at 416-439-1545 or at stthomasmore@rogers.com.

### 2022 Sunday Offertory Envelopes

The 2022 Sunday offertory envelope sets are available in the church foyer. Please pick up a set from one of the ushers or at the parish office.

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