

St. Thomas More Parish

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Secretaries: Josie Elsner, Cathy Dessailly **Religious Ed. Coordinator:** Gracie Nepomuceno

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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	416-439-1545
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 Road	416-393-5356
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Reminders to be Prepared



Advent is a special time, given to us by the Church, to prepare ourselves spiritually for Christmas. As Paul reminds us in the second reading, this is “the moment for you to wake from sleep.” Yet there is much in our culture and daily lives

that distracts us and keeps us busy. Especially in these next weeks, it is easy for us to get caught up in all the socializing, shopping, and expectations of family and friends.

Today’s Gospel may frighten us when it challenges us to be ready. Dare we believe in God’s promise that “the Son of Man is coming” into our world? Can we risk trusting our desire for him and the transformation his coming will be bring us, even as we wait for the fulfillment of his coming?

Yes, we can and must be awake and ready this Advent season to receive the unexpected gift of God’s loving presence at any moment! Our God loves us unconditionally – just as we are, this very day. We don’t have to earn this love or prove ourselves worthy of it. Once we accept this truth, everything changes. We begin to “walk in the light” as we are called to make God’s love alive through our actions. Then they too can wake up and be ready to receive God’s promise through faith.

*Joe Egan, Toronto, ON
Excerpted from Living With Christ*

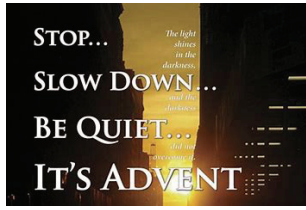
Mass Intentions for November 30 - December 7, 2019

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Xavier Anthony, Wilfred Pereira & Anthony Jesutharsan, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Intentions of Everest D'Souza
	10:00 a.m.	+Maria Rodrigues, requested by S. McPherson
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	In thanksgiving, Christopher & Christine Seevaratnam
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+John Johnston, requested by family
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of the Gittens family
	7:00 p.m.	+Irene Estepa Turner, requested by the family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Mary Scallen, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Marina David, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of the Gittens family
	7:00 p.m.	+Paul James, requested by the family
		+Dale & Bridgette Peters, requested by Courneya family
		+Brendan Carey, requested by the Corsini family
+Carol Subke, requested by the Privitera family		
Friday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of the Gittens family
	7:00 p.m.	Serviam Group intention of our parish priests and for priestly vocations
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Ann McPherson, requested by the family



Parish Advent Retreat

Saturday, December 14 at 9:30 a.m.

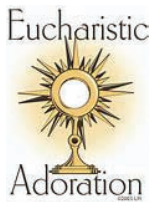


Our Priests of the Sacred Heart will lead our Parish Advent Retreat, entitled "A Gift for the Lord", on Sat., Dec. 14 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. so that

we can prepare ourselves to celebrate the Birth of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Tickets for lunch (\$5.00 each) will be available at the parish office or after all weekend Masses.

First Friday Adoration

Friday, December 6, 2019



There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament all day on Fri., Dec. 6 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.

Poinsettias For Sale

Weekend of Nov. 30/Dec.1 & Dec. 7/8



Our Young Adults for Christ will be taking orders for poinsettias this weekend, Nov. 30/Dec.1 and next weekend, Dec. 7/8. These poinsettias, in memory of our deceased loved ones, will be part of the Christmas altar

display. Two sizes are available at a cost of \$10.00 and \$20.00. Please support them as they fundraise for their activities.

The Angel Tree

The Angel Tree program is asking for donations of boxes of chocolates, cookies or candies. Be sure to bring your gifts before Sun., Dec. 8th so that the children will not be disappointed when the gifts are distributed.

Advent Confessions

Wednesday, December 18 at 7:30 p.m.



A Reconciliation Service will be held on Wed., Dec. 18 at 7:30 p.m. Several priests will be on hand to help with the many confessions.

Sacramental Prep News

CONFIRMATION

Parents and sponsors are invited and **candidates are required** to attend the **RITE OF ENROLMENT** on

Sunday, December 8, 2019 at the 11:30 a.m. Mass.

The Rite of Enrolment is the formal commitment by each candidate to declare their desire to be confirmed in the Catholic Church. A signed commitment is handed to the Celebrant, as witnessed by the faith community, with the support of their sponsors and parents. This is one of the requirements for Confirmation.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Candidates attending **PUBLIC SCHOOL only**
No class on November 30, 2019; resumes on December 7, 2019

ECFL – Early Catholic Family Life Program to resume soon!

- Offers hands-on fun activities, interactive sessions and discussions among parents, and between parents and children
- Parents/grandparents of infants and pre-school children are invited to join or to drop-in on Sundays from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

To join or for other details, contact ECFL Team – askstmp2016@gmail.com or call 647-299-2189.

Is God Calling You?

God is Calling!

How will YOU Answer?



“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of

this life.” Are worldly cares dragging you down?

Be a follower of the Master. If you think 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: Maurice Archer, Mikayla Haswell, Bashir McDoom, Phyllis & Anthony Cogliano, Tom Shaw, Graeme

Caulfield, Lynne Green and Dominic Fernandes. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

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