

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	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	stmparish.altarservers@gmail.com
Ushers/Greeters	Percy D'Mello	647-404-5394
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Nardina Grande	416-419-8254
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
St. John Paul II Secondary School	685 Military Trail	416-393-5531

Third Sunday of Advent

Youth Ministry

Youth Minister

Mel Perpose.....melperpose@gmail.com

Young Adults for Christ

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

Parish Groups

Parish Council

Clara Peters-Onagoruwa.....416-439-1545

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Screening Committee

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St. Vincent de Paul Society

Martel Gordon-Tennant.....416-439-7827

Gaudete- Rejoice

This Sunday is the third Sunday of Advent, popularly known as "Gaudete Sunday." The term "Gaudete" simply means "to rejoice." As we come closer to the feast of Christmas, the Church encourages us to rejoice because God is about to fulfill His promise to us. However, this does not mean we have come to the end of our preparation during this season of Advent. Instead, it is a way of urging us to be more focused and courageous. It is also a way of assuring us that our preparations will soon be rewarded.

In today's gospel, John sends word to Jesus from prison, asking if Jesus is the Messiah for whom he has been waiting. Jesus responds by pointing to the miracles that He has worked: "The blind receive their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them." "And blessed is anyone who takes no offence at me." With this response, Jesus is saying that God has fulfilled His promise in Him, and that is the reason why we have to rejoice. Yet, Jesus invites John and the other listeners to make their own determination. Jesus also praises John for his role in preparing the way for Him. Then Jesus says that all of those who work for the kingdom of God will be as great as John in Heaven

Let us spend the remaining days of this Advent season preparing "our way" before the Lord comes this Christmas. Remembering always to keep Jesus first in our lives, others second and ourselves last, like John the Baptist, we too can be messengers sent by God to prepare others for the coming of the Lord by becoming holy, humble, and disciplined.

Our reflection is: Are we ready to welcome Jesus and be his messengers in the world?

Fr. Aegi Warsito (SCJ)

December 10 – 17, 2022

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Mr. K.K. Thomas, requested by the family		
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Frank Bruns, requested by F. Bruns		
	10:00 a.m.	+Victor Tai-Young, requested by the family		
	11:30a.m.	Intentions of the Parish Community		
	8:00 p.m.	+Klaus Emig, requested by the Parish Choir		
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Souls in Purgatory, esp. FOSS members, requested by E. Tobon		
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Mariano Ocampo, requested by the family		
	7:00 p.m.	+Alejandro Libaque, requested by the family		
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+ Roland Attong, requested by the family		
	7:00 p.m.	+Pasquale Palumbo, requested by the family		
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Adam Benedict Befetel, requested by the family		
	7:00 p.m.	+Stephen, Achoy and Petruccia Luesue, requested by the Patel family		
		+Kyle Angeletti		
		+Felipe Mantes, Claudine Goller, Wilfred O'Conner, and Vineu Mascarrias, requested by Clara Peters		
		Intentions of Rita and Alfred family		
		+Robert Gaudette, requested by F. and L. West		
		Intentions of Lim Hong Kwong		
		+Pamela and Jimmy Yeo, requested by Merlyn Tindale and family		
		Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Mike Madigan, requested by S. McPherson
			7:00 p.m.	+Kenn Shah, requested by S. McDoom
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Rogelio M. Limos, requested by Aclan family		

Advent and Christmas Schedule

Confessions

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on Tuesday Dec 20 at 7:30 p.m. (English) and on Wednesday, Dec 21 at 7:30 p.m. (Spanish). There will be many priests available to hear confessions. This is an excellent way to prepare your heart for the coming of Jesus at Christmas.

Christmas eve Mass- The Vigil of the Christmas

Dec 24th, 2022

5:00 p.m. Children's Mass
7:00 p.m. Spanish Mass
9:00 p.m. and 11:30 pm

Christmas Day- The Nativity of the Lord

Dec 25th, 2022

8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m. (English) and
2:00 pm (Spanish)

New Year's Eve Mass

Dec 31st, 2022

5:00 p.m. (English) and 7.00 p.m. (Spanish)

New Year's day Mass

Jan 1, 2023

8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m. (English) and
2:00 pm (Spanish)

Angel Tree



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be offering assistance to those in need, in our Parish.

They will not be setting up the Angel Tree nor accepting any gifts of food, toys

or clothing. Instead their Christmas help will be in the form of cash vouchers for the local grocery store along with gift cards for the families with children.

The Society needs your continued financial and spiritual help during this time and especially at their Christmas collection this weekend, December 10 and 11, 2022. Thank you.

Sacramental Prep News



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

- Registration is now **open**. Please contact the Parish Office.

CONFIRMATION

- Registration is now closed

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

- Registration is now closed.

Poinsettias for Sale



Our Young Adults for Christ will be taking orders for poinsettias. Envelopes are available in the foyer of the church.

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 our Young adults as they fundraise for their activities.

Prayers Needed for the Sick




Please join us in praying for the sick Sheri-Anne Asaro, Sharmi Basnayaha, Willy Bautista, Aduino Bertazon, Raul & Sera Colaco, Phyllis Cole, Alison Dantas, Frank


Del Luca, Jill & Matthew Downs, Georgia Dynes, Lee Esmonde, Crizza Jane Gabon, Brayden Gangaram, Veronica Harding, Elias Joseph, Mary Lavrisa, Don Lee, Jack Muir, Victoria Munson, Galdwin Nicholas, Alba Parada, Fr. Ralph Panonsa, Denisse Ramirez, Brian and Evelyn Rozario, Silvia Ruscica, Linda Klein, Alfred Fernandes, William Passanha, Lim Hong Kong, Robert hill, Olivia Lam, Myrna Perpose, Suma Reddy and Theresa Tomaschek. May they be supported by our prayers, our ministry and by God's grace.

***Life must be lived moment by moment.
Each moment carries a message,
a lesson for us.***

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