

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

Youth Ministry

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

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

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Repentance



On this second Sunday of Advent, St. John the Baptist says: "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." The words "repent," "repentance," and "repented", are mentioned over a hundred times in the

Bible. There is a lot of misunderstanding and confusion over what the word repentance means. It refers to a truly God-given, Spirit-led change of heart and mind towards God, and away from sin. The Greek word for repent is metanoia. Metanoia is a biblical term for repentance and a complete change of heart. This change turns one away from sin to serve the living God and live a different life from the one before. We repent when we genuinely believe that we are in the wrong, because we have disobeyed God who is always right. Repenting is turning away from, repenting is change and repenting is living differently. And during the season of Advent we are told to prepare ourselves for Christ's coming at Christmas by a renewal of our lives.

There are three important things about repentance: the first is Conviction, where we admit that we have sinned. During repentance, we not only see ourselves as sinners, but we recognize the fact that we have sinned against a righteous and holy God. The second is Contrition, where we show a hatred for sin. To hate sin is to love God. In true repentance, there is not only the desire to escape the consequences of sin, but to be rid of sin itself because it is displeasing to God. The third is Conversion, where sin is abandoned. Repentance involves the forsaking of sin. It should be stressed that it is not enough just to turn away from sin; we must also turn to God for salvation.

Our reflection is: what does true repentance mean for us? What should we do to change our ways during this advent season?

Fr.Aegi Warsito (SCJ)

December 3 – 10, 2022

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Klaus Emig, requested by the Parish Choir
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Intentions of Sr. Mariani requested by the Family
	10:00 a.m.	+ James Joven, requested by the family
	11:30a.m.	Intentions of the Parish Community
	8:00 p.m.	+Victor Kwan, John and Susan Chou, requested by the family
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Margaret Dent, requested by Bedford James, Lita and John
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Ignatius and Ida Innasipillai, requested by Fernando family
	7:00 p.m.	+Alex Brown, requested by Clara Peters
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Consuelo Vasquez, requested by Roxana Calderon and The Gonzalez family
	7:00 p.m.	+Gwen Whittle, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Lucienne Nelson
	7:00 p.m.	+Anastacia I. De Juan, requested by the family
		+Achoy, Petruccia and Stephen Luesue, requested by the Patel family
		+Yusuf Patel, requested by the family
		+Deceased members of Lue Sue, Alexis, Patel and Joseph families, requested by the Patel family
In thanksgiving, Syllas Chaves		
In thanksgiving, Charismatic Group		
Friday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Christine and Monro requested by Marie Fernando
	7:00 p.m.	+Emelia P. Fernandes, requested by Hendrick and Fernandez families
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Gilroy D' Mello

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)

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Cardinal Thomas Collins.

Please give to the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online at sharelife.org/donate.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

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.

Prayers Needed for the Sick



Please join us in praying for the sick Sheri-Anne Asaro, Sharmi Basnayaha, Willy Bautista, Aduino Bertazzon, Phyllis Cole, 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, 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, Suma Reddy and Theresa Tomaschek. May they be supported by our prayers, our ministry and by God's grace.

Our Lady of The Cape Pilgrim Statue



From her home in Trois Rivieres Quebec, the statue of Our Lady of the Cape will be coming to our Parish from **Thurs, Dec 1st until Tues, Dec 6th**.

Come and pray the rosary for Canada, the Church and the world. Make your intentions known to Her. Spend some quiet time with Mary and her Beloved Son. Please see posters for scheduled program

Advent Retreat




The Parish will be having an Advent retreat on **Sat, Dec 10**, at the church. The retreat is entitled "Walking Together in Hope, Solidarity and Joy".

The retreat will run from 9:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Light refreshments will be provided. There is no cost to participate.


Please also join us for Holy adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament in the evening on **Dec 10th** from 6:15 p.m. – 7:15 p.m. at St Thomas More Church.

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