

# St. Thomas More Parish

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## Parish Staff

**Pastor:** Rev. Aegidius Warsito SCJ

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Priests of the Sacred Heart

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

**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.

**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
St. John Paul II Secondary School	685 Military Trail	416-393-5531

## Youth Ministry

Youth Minister

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Youth Group

Lisette.....[stthomasmoreyouthgroup22@gmail.com](mailto:stthomasmoreyouthgroup22@gmail.com)

Young Adults for Christ

Racine Senining.....[stmyac@gmail.com](mailto:stmyac@gmail.com)

## Parish Groups

Parish Council

Mike Carolan.....416-282-4750

Finance Council

Alan King.....416-284-7190

Screening Committee

Claudine Goller.....416-289-0307

St. Vincent de Paul Society

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

## Waiting for God's Kingdom



Compelled by visions of God's kingdom, Isaiah and John the Baptist build up and tear down.

Isaiah envisions God's peaceable kingdom, where "they will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain." He waits for the

Messiah, the "shoot... from the stump of Jesse," who will bring righteousness and justice. His people, mired in sorrow and despair, have stopped waiting for God's kingdom. He builds them up, offering hope.

The Baptist is "preparing the way" for Jesus, the Messiah. His people, mired in greed and exploitation, have stopped waiting for God's kingdom. John warns: change your ways... find the right path, bear good fruit – now!

Prophets do what's necessary, so others can see reality. For John and Isaiah, God's kingdom is a compelling reality, their goal and guide. They are connected to that kingdom and long for its fullness.

We celebrate the in-breaking of God's kingdom in Jesus. How slowly that kingdom comes to fullness! But the vision is strong and compelling, as it was for Isaiah and John: God's reign of peace, justice, healing.

We experience it in our midst and long for its fullness. Graced by the Spirit, fed by the Eucharist, we proclaim it and practise it... living in hope, love, peace, justice. The many glimpses and tastes of God's kingdom draw us in and send us forth to share this vision with others.

*Dinah Simmons, Halifax, NS  
Excerpted from Living With Christ*

## Mass Intentions for December 7 - 14, 2019

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Gerard Nicholas, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Anastacia De Juan, requested by the family
	10:00 a.m.	Intentions of Lucienne Nelson
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+D'Virginia, requested by the James family
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+John Johnston, requested by family
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Consortia Fernandez, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Pasquale Palumbo, requested by the family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Victor Tai Young, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Faustino Lanzaderas & Froilan Ferrero Jr. requested by J. Tesoro & A. Bayog
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Josephat Ononiwu and family
	7:00 p.m.	+Mary & James Peters, requested by the Courneya family
		+Dennis & Celine Pinto, requested by the family
		+Vasco Da Costa, requested by the family
		+Corazon Gahol, requested by the family
+D. S. Gnanapragasam, requested by the family		
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Mariano Ocampo, requested by the Huang family
	7:00 p.m.	+Souls in Purgatory, requested by M. Palumbo
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Frank Bruns, requested by F. Bruns

## 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.

## Seniors' Mass and Luncheon

Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.



Join us for our monthly Seniors' Mass and Luncheon on Wed., Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. All seniors are most welcome!

## 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.

## Stewardship

Use whatever gift you have received to serve others.



Advent is a time to prepare for the Lord's coming on Christmas Day as well as His final

coming at the end of time. It is also a moment to remind ourselves that our own individual judgement day is coming too, where we will stand before the throne of God and give an account of all the gifts and blessings we have received. Let us take this Advent to re-examine how we are being stewards of the gifts in our lives and recommit to fully living the Gospel.

## Our Lady of the New Advent: On Being Pro-Life and the New Evangelization

Thursday, December 12, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.



Our Lady of Guadalupe, pregnant with her blessed son, Jesus, is also the patroness of the unborn. Come and hear Fr. Tom Lynch, President of Priests for Life Canada, speak at St. Bernadette's Parish (21 Bayly St. East, Ajax) on Thurs., Dec. 12 from

9:30 to 11:00 a.m.



## Sacramental Prep News

### CONFIRMATION

- Dec. 8 – Rite of Enrolment at the 11:30 a.m. Mass
- Dec. 15 – regular classes as scheduled.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Candidates attending **PUBLIC SCHOOL** only Class will be held as scheduled on December 14 in the Knights of Columbus room.

### ECFL – Early Catholic Family Life Program Winter session to start soon!

Children who attended the summer session **are invited** to participate in the **Christmas Nativity Pageant.**

For details and rehearsal schedule, call 647-299-2189 or contact the ECFL Team at [askstmp2016@gmail.com](mailto:askstmp2016@gmail.com)

## 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.

## Is Jesus calling you? Would you give your life for Him?



The Church is blessed with a rich diversity of vocations; all of them are born from God as He calls us to participate in His work of redemption. If you are thinking about God's call and trying to find purpose for your life, we are here to help you. Maybe He is inviting you to be a priest, a religious

brother or sister, to serve the Church with love and generosity.

Come and talk to us! We will help you discern your vocation.

Contact: Fr. Willyans Prado Rapozo, SCJ (Priests of the Sacred Heart Vocation director)



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