St. Thomas More Parish

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Priests of the Sacred Heart

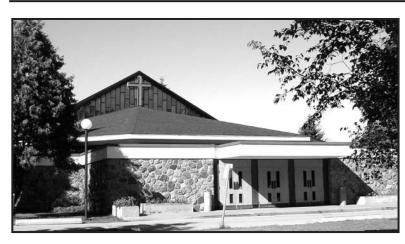
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Office hours: Monday to Friday - 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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 | Ven Faundo | 416-299-4404 |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| Eucharistic Ministers | Felipe and Grace Mantes | 416-759-2335 |
| Music Ministry | Donald Torres | 647-449-6583 |
| Altar Servers | Reston Senining | 647-834-5546 |
| 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 Drive | 416-393-5356 |
| St. John Paul II Secondary School | 685 Military Trail | 416-393-5531 |

Drusilla.....<u>stthomasmoreyouthgroup22@gmail.com</u>

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Racine Senining.....<u>stmyac@gmail.com</u>

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 |

A Time of Transfiguration

As we celebrate this holy season of Lent the Liturgy brings us the event of Jesus' Transfiguration. This was a clear manifestation of His glory as He was about to go through suffering, death and resurrection. He wanted His disciples to be prepared and not to despair as He endured His Passion. They needed to be strong and focused on the victory of Jesus on the Cross. Rather than being a sign of defeat, Jesus' death on the Cross is the mystery of our salvation and way to new life.

Therefore, the Transfiguration represents a sure hope that suffering is not the final word. God is able to turn the most terrible tribulation into a whole new reality of love. Jesus who is about to reveal His human fragility by dying on the Cross first goes to the top of the mountain and manifests the power of His divinity in the presence of His disciples and witnesses of the Old Testament.

Lent is a time of transfiguration! We are invited to go on this journey of prayer, fasting and almsgiving with Jesus to prepare ourselves for His Passion, Death and Resurrection. Trust in Him and you will overcome your daily trials. As someone used to say, "Don't tell God you have a great problem, tell your problem you have a great God!" Just as Jesus was transfigured on the mountain, we also are called to bring out the best in us during this Lenten season. Let us be transfigured and renewed for our salvation is near. Fr. Willyans, SCJ

| Mass Intentions for | | | | |
|---------------------|------------|--------------------------|--|--|
| February 2 | 24 - March | 3, 2018 | | |
| Saturday | 5:00 p.m. | +Joseph Mallia, | | |
| | | requested by the family | | |
| Sunday | 8:30 a.m. | +Sebastiana, Rafaele & | | |
| | | Maria Privitera and | | |
| | | Moses & Lucy | | |
| | | Kennedy, requested by | | |
| | | the Privitera family | | |
| | 10:00 a.m. | +Julian Jesudasan & | | |
| | | deceased family | | |
| | | members, requested by | | |
| | | the family | | |
| | 11:30 a.m. | Intentions of the parish | | |
| | | community | | |
| | 8:00 p.m. | +Eliseo & Adoracion | | |
| | | Madulid, requested by | | |
| | | the family | | |
| Monday | 7:30 a.m. | +Milagros Biclar, | | |
| | | requested by J. Carrillo | | |
| Tuesday | 7:30 a.m. | Intentions of Mike | | |
| | | Carolan | | |
| | 7:00 p.m. | +Aseervatham, Ratnam | | |
| | | Sebamalai, Elizabeth | | |
| | | Gnanapiragasam, | | |
| | | requested by the | | |
| | | Jannkan family | | |
| Wednesday | 7:30 a.m. | +Felix Wallinson, | | |
| | | requested by the family | | |
| | 7:00 p.m. | In thanksgiving, Nick & | | |
| | | Kenny | | |
| Thursday | 7:30 a.m. | +Basilissa Furtado, | | |
| | | requested by N. | | |
| | | Furtado | | |
| | 7:00 p.m. | +Veronica D'Souza, | | |
| | | requested by the family | | |
| | | Intentions of Hy Francis | | |
| | | +Jeyakumar, requested | | |
| | | by the James family | | |
| | | +Vincent James, | | |
| | | requested by the family | | |
| Friday | 7:30 a.m. | +Hernani Yambot, | | |
| | 7.00 | requested by the family | | |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Intentions of the sick & | | |
| 0 | 0.00 | dying | | |
| Saturday | 9:00 a.m. | +Rene Terry Goddard, | | |
| | | requested by the De | | |
| | | Juan family | | |

Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross will take place on Fridays at 6:20 p.m. with Mass at 7:00 p.m.

Parish Lenten Retreat Day

Saturday, March 17 at 10:00 a.m.



Our Priests of the Sacred Heart will lead a Parish Lenten Retreat Day on Sat., Mar. 17 beginning at 10:00 a.m. and ending with

Mass at 5:00 p.m. Lunch will also be included (\$5.00). Tickets for lunch are available at the parish office and after all weekend Masses.

Ushers Needed



Ushers are needed for the Sunday 8:00 p.m. Mass. If you are interested, please call Dennis at 416-494-8858 for more information.

Youth Mass

Saturday, March 3 at 5:00 p.m.

Every first Saturday of the month our youth and young adults will be involved in the Mass at 5:00 p.m. They will be providing music, singing as a choir and altar serving during this Mass. All parishioners are most welcome!

First Friday Adoration

Friday, March 2, 2018

There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament all day on Fri., Mar. 2 from 8:00 a.m. (after the 7:30 a.m. Mass) to 6:00 p.m. (before the Stations of the Cross). Please come and spend some time in adoration.

Lenten Fasting

Pope Francis recommends that we fast in the following ways: "Fast from hurtful words and say kind words. Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude. Fast from anger and be filled with patience. Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope. Fast from worries and trust in God. Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity. Fast from pressures and be prayerful. Fast from bitterness and fill your heart with joy. Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others. Fast from grudges and be reconciled. Fast from words and be silent so you can listen." When we fast we put our desires in check and focus on the will of God.

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March 18 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.

Is God Calling You?

If you need examples of persons responding to God's call, look at Abraham and Sarah – called in old age to leave their country and have a child. Then Abraham was asked to sacrifice that child. What faith! Answering God's call to be a priest, brother, sister or deacon is also taking a great risk. If you are willing, and think God is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Chris at vocations@archtoronto.org or at 416-968-0997.

Youth Fundraiser



Our youth are taking orders for Easter lilies on the weekends of March 3 / 4 and March 10 / 11 after all Masses. These lilies will be

part of the altar display at Easter in memory of your deceased loved ones.

Praying for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Neil Abray, Pierre-Claver Kayumba, Erinberto Austria, Yvonne Rampersaud, Phyllis Cogliano, Albert Vella, Daphne Chater, Basil Benedict, Nalini Sookdeo, Gerald Gomes, Christian B. Padua, Ivan Henriques, Steve Goller and Henry Sharp. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

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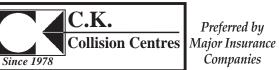
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