

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

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

Finance Council

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

Screening Committee

Parish office.....416-439-1545

St. Vincent de Paul Society

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

The Higher Virtue of Love

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus taught His followers by telling them that if their virtue goes no deeper than that of the scribes and Pharisees, they will never get into the Kingdom of Heaven.

The scribes and the Pharisees make a big deal about keeping the laws and commandments. For them, as long as one doesn't kill or steal or commit adultery or break an oath, then one can go to heaven already, or at least almost there, but Jesus is telling us something more, something deeper and higher.

Killing or murder is already the far end – it is forbidden! And we don't even go there. For some of us, killing a cockroach is traumatic enough and we can lose sleep over it. But getting angry at others and keeping that anger and letting it burn and boil within us seems to be one of our favourite pastimes. And we let that anger boil and burn into resentment and bitterness and even hatred. Our anger is not killing anyone. It is only killing ourselves, and Jesus wants to save us from that.

The same with committing adultery. We have this notion that if we are not caught then it is not wrong. We forget that what is done in the dark will be brought into the light, sooner or later. Again, Jesus wants to free us from this kind of improper and immoral relationship. He wants us to live in the freedom of the light and not in the darkness of fear. Jesus tells us that whatever is causing us to sin, we must cut it out. It would be better for us to cut off that sinful thing than to go to hell with everything. Jesus loves and wants us to strive for the higher virtues of love.

Therefore, our love for God and for others must go deeper than just not killing, or committing adultery or not telling lies. Our love for God and for others must make us strive for forgiveness and reconciliation, for purity and holiness, for truth and beauty.

The question is: how do we put in place Jesus' teaching in our daily lives?

Fr. Aegi Warsito SCJ

Mass Intentions for February 11 – 18, 2023

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Teodara Yambot, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+James Joven requested by the family
	10:00 a.m.	Intentions of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the Parish Community
Monday	8:00 p.m.	+Juliet Lawrence and Peter Amalopour, requested by the family
	7:30 a.m.	+Norman Gozun and Intentions of Marisa Gozun
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Sixto and Carina Antonio, requested by M. Gozun
	7:00 p.m.	+Conchita Rosales, requested by the family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Genie Rey
	7:00 p.m.	+Benito Cuevas, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Angelo Di Maio, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Ivan Uribe, requested by the family
		Intentions of Mary Lavrisa
		+Erlinda Concepcion, requested by Eddie and Aida
		Intentions of Annette and Jude D'Souza requested by Larry & Marie Neeff
+Irineu D'Costa, requested by Elizabeth, John and family		
Friday	7:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving, Tyrone Wallinson
		+Timothy Aseervatham, requested by the Benedict family
	7:00 p.m.	
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Ofelia Lim, requested by Sharon McPherson

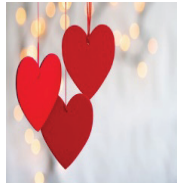
Seniors' Mass and Luncheon



We are celebrating our monthly Seniors' Mass.

Wednesday, February 15 at 11:00 am beginning with mass followed by a luncheon in the parish hall. All seniors are most welcome!

Valentine's Dance Party



Saturday, February 18, 2023

The Annual Parish Valentine's Dinner and Dance has been **sold out!**

This is a fund raiser for the parish. Any donation towards the

restoration of our washrooms would be most welcome!

We Need Your Help: Become an Altar Server



Anyone interested in becoming an altar server at our parish is welcome to attend a training session on **February 18th at 11:30 a.m.** This is a great way to

earn community service hours. All servers must have received their first Holy Communion.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land Trip and Rome

Our Pastor Father Aegidius will be leading a 14 day Pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Rome from October 7-20, 2023. All Parishioners are invited to join the Pilgrimage. For full details including the cost of the trip, please pick up a brochure from the Parish office 416-439-1545.

Prayers Needed for the Sick



Please join us in praying for the sick Sheri-Anne Asaro, Sharmi Basnayaha, Willy Bautista, Aduino Bertazzon, Naly Chia, Phyllis Cole, Frank Del Luca, Jill & Matthew Downs, Georgia Dynes, Lee Esmonde, Alfred Fernandes, Anna

Ferreira, Crizza Jane Gabon, Brayden Gangaram, Veronica Harding, Elias Joseph, Linda Klein, Mary Lavrisa, Don Lee, Jack Muir, Victoria Munson, Robert Hill, Lynette Nicholson-Phipps, Angelo Pagnielo, Alba Parada, Denisse Ramirez, Brian and Evelyn Rozario, Silvia Ruscica, Olivia Lam, William Passanha, Lim Hong Kong, Suma Reddy, Theresa Tomaschek Sr., Lina Vitello and Ellie Vitello. May they be supported by our prayers, our ministry and by God's grace.

Sacramental Prep News Email: stmpsacraments@gmail.com



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

- Registration is now closed.

CONFIRMATION

- Registration is now closed.

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

- Registration is now closed.

Dynamic Women of Father – Women's Conference



14th Annual - Dynamic Women of Faith Catholic Women's Conference

Saturday, March 25, 2023 – 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Location: Old Mill Toronto Event Venue
21 Old Mill Road Toronto, ON M8X 1G5

Opening Mass celebrated by Most Reverend Robert Kasun, CSB, Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto
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Sister Deirdre Byrne, POSC

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