

St. Thomas More Parish

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Priests of the Sacred Heart

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

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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	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 Chaplain

Fr. Antonio Pereira SCJ stthomasmore@rogers.com

Young Adults for Christ

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

Parish Groups

Parish Council

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

Finance Council

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Screening Committee

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Look Deeper at the Commandments

In this Sunday's Gospel, we heard Jesus giving a teaching and He begins with *"You have learnt how it was said to our ancestors."* He touches on a few of the Commandments: *"Do not kill; do not commit adultery."* But with each of those Commandments, He gives a deeper aspect to it and presents an enlightening teaching to help us understand the virtues that flow from the Commandments.

For example, with the Commandment of committing adultery, He says that: *"everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart."* As for killing, Jesus says this: *"anyone who is angry with their brother or sister will be liable to the council."*

The virtue is to go deep. That is the message of Jesus this Sunday. It means that we have to focus not on the Commandments, but on the Word of Life. Nothing is as great as spiritual integrity: not even the eye or the hand. We find the true way of religion in following the words, the way and the heart of Jesus.

Firstly, it is the way of mercy and compassion. The place where compassion *'lives'* is in the deepest part of ourselves. The life and love of Jesus for His people will deepen the compassion in our hearts. This essence of religion is deepened with prayer and with listening to others. Then virtue goes deeper than rules and the way of living the Christian life makes sense.

Therefore, we cannot read and take literally the Commandments; instead we have to look deeper at them. There is a challenge to unite the love of God and the love of others in our heart.

Maybe this week we might notice the calls in our ordinary relationships to think compassionately and show compassion. This is the centre and ground of our Christian faith; it is the centre of the life of Christ.

So, our reflection is: do we take Jesus' words seriously? Do we strive to live as He calls us to live?

Fr. Aegi, SCJ

Mass Intentions for February 15 – 22, 2020

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Intentions of the McPherson family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Ivan Uribe, requested by the family
	10:00 a.m.	+John Finney, requested by R. Hassan
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Ray Whittle, requested by the Torres family
Monday	9:00 a.m.	+Geny Toribio, requested by the Obien family
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Santiago Mantes, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Souls in purgatory, requested by M. Palumbo
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Dana Mazare
	7:00 p.m.	+Eliseo & Adoracion Madulid, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+James & Philomena Brennan, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Agostinho Teixeira, requested by the family
		+Yusuf Patel, requested by the family
		+Dr. Robinson & Fr. Bolare Da Costa, requested by the Pinto family
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Vincent James, requested by the family
		+S. Jeyakumar, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Ivor Thomas, requested by the family
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Joseph Mallia, requested by the family
		+Santiaga Mantes, requested by the family

Family Day Holiday Schedule

Monday, February 17, 2020



The Mass on Mon., Feb. 17 will be at 9:00 a.m. because of the holiday. The parish office will also be closed for the day.

Welcome to our Youth Chaplain!



Please welcome our new Youth Chaplain, Fr. Antonio Resende Pereira SCJ, who will accompany our St. Thomas More Parish youth on their faith journey. Let's lend our support to him in this ministry.

Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, February 23 after morning Masses



The Youth Group will be having their annual Pancake Breakfast next Sun., Feb. 23rd after all morning Masses! Enjoy some pancakes, bacon, coffee, tea and juice. Come out and support our young people.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Rome

October 9 – 22, 2020



Our parish is hosting a pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Rome from Oct. 9 to 22 at a cost of \$4,590. per person. Father Aegi is the spiritual guide and Connaissance Travel is making the arrangements for the trip. Please call the parish office for more information.

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, February 26



Ash Wednesday
Remember that you are dust,
and to dust you shall return.
-Ecclesiastes 3:20

Catholics worldwide will observe Ash Wednesday on Wed., Feb. 26, 2020. This is a

day of fast (less food for those who are between the ages of 14 and 59 years) and abstinence (no meat for adults). This begins the season of Lent, a time of penance when we make more time for prayer, works of piety and charity. Some examples include praying the Stations of the Cross, visiting the sick and elderly, praying the rosary, reading the bible and giving alms to those in need.

Sacramental Prep News

Email: askstmp2016@gmail.com

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

- February 22 – Classes as scheduled

CONFIRMATION

- February 23 – Classes as scheduled

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

- February 21 – Class as scheduled

Lenten Retreat



Saturday, March 7 at 9:30 a.m.

Our Priests of the Sacred Heart will lead a Parish Lenten Retreat Day,

entitled "The Journey Home" on Sat., Mar. 7 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Tickets for lunch (\$5.00) are available at the parish office and after the weekend Masses.

Refugee Sponsorship Program

The Office of Refugees is launching a program to assist parishioners who would like to sponsor a family member overseas who is a refugee. If you are a parishioner, and would like to sponsor a family member, please contact the parish office to schedule a meeting with the pastor prior to March 31. The Office of Refugees will look to the sponsoring family to provide the necessary funds for sponsorship.

Prayers Needed for the Sick



We are praying for the sick of our parish: Maxwell Collins, Maurice Archer, Benedicta Gonsalves, Phyllis and Anthony Cogliano, Robin Lopes, Mikayla Haswell, Bashir

McDoom, Alicia Alvares, Ferdinand Manadero, Alessandra Lupo, Graeme Caulfield and Lee Cummings. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

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