

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

Youth Ministry

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Silvio Escobar.....silvio.escobar@live.com

Youth Group

Drusilla.....stthomasmoreyouthgroup22@gmail.com

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Parish Council

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

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Lent: Endurance in Temptation

In the very beginning of Jesus' public life He experienced temptations from Satan. This event took place in the wilderness where Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit and went through forty days of fasting and prayer. Jesus' temptations represent all difficulties He faces in preparation for His ministry. As we know, His life was not easy at all. We may say that throughout His days on earth Jesus was always guided by the Holy Spirit and tempted by God's enemy. In a literal translation from Hebrew, "Satan" means "he who diverts us from our way". In the Gospel he is the adversary who tries by all means to take Jesus away from His goal. However, Jesus keeps focused on the purpose of His Incarnation; He came to give us life in abundance and to establish the Kingdom of God, which will come true with His victory on the cross. So, with strong self-control, Christ endured every temptation in order to accomplish the will of the Father.

We also have entered forty days of wilderness called LENT. Although it's a time of penance and silence, our hearts are longing for the joy of Easter when we will celebrate the victory over life. In this Lenten season we are called to make some sacrifices in order to restrain our bad inclinations and become holier. We are encouraged to do something that challenges us. We hope that this penitential experience will bring us to conversion and benefit the entire community. Following Jesus' example, during this time of fast, prayer and almsgiving, we will face temptations of giving up our resolutions. Remember that temptations will always be around; we cannot ignore them. They are part of our daily life. However, we are not alone. The Lord who won His enemy will teach us how to be faithful until the end. With Him, we will not be diverted from our way. During this holy season of Lent may the Holy Spirit lead us from death to life.

Fr. Willyans, SCJ

Mass Intentions for February 17 - 24, 2018

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Ida Innasipillai, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving, Tyrone Felix-Wallinson
	10:00 a.m.	+Mary Magdalen & Benedict Gregory, 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	9:00 a.m.	In thanksgiving, requested by the R. Enrera family
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Irene Turner, requested by R. & E. San Luis
	7:00 p.m.	+Santiago Mantes, requested by the family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Victor Tai Young, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+John De Silva, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Petrus Liliefeldt, requested by the Breakfast Club
	7:00 p.m.	+Hospicio Jr. & Basilio O. Elejorde, requested by M. del Mar
		+Yusuf Patel, requested by the family
		+Juanita Vergara, requested by the family
	+Soondar Singh, requested by the James family	
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Victor Young
	7:00 p.m.	In thanksgiving, Nolita Marin
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Lucian Jeyarajah, requested by Maria's & Joanna's families

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.

ShareLife



"Living the Gospel" by supporting ShareLife agencies

"As we begin our ShareLife campaign, we are encouraged to "Live the Gospel" in all that we do. How do we demonstrate that in our community? Living the Gospel may mean helping single mothers to care for their newborn children, or being available to families facing difficulties, or welcoming refugee families to our community. For more than 41 years, countless individuals have experienced this compassionate care offered by our agencies. Please support our annual archdiocesan appeal during this Lenten season!" –Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto

**March 18 is ShareLife Sunday.
Please give generously.**

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

Celebrate your love and take a fresh look at your marriage! Spend a very special weekend together on March 2 – 4, 2018. Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend getaway that helps married couples re-discover themselves as individuals and as a couple. For more information, visit www.wwme.org or contact Gerard and Marge McCauley at 905-792-1925.

The Come and See Weekend

March 23 – 25, 2018

This weekend will be a time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest. Single Catholic men 17 years and older are invited to register at www.vocationstoronto.ca or at 416-968-0997.

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent at 6:20 p.m.

Each Friday evening during Lent the Stations of the Cross will take place at 6:20 p.m. followed by 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).

Prayer and Life Workshops

Tuesdays beginning Tues., Feb. 20 at 7:30 p.m.

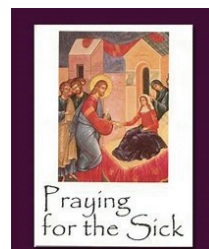


A Prayer and Life Workshop is a series of sessions that helps you learn and deepen the art of prayer through

different methods of prayer. It emphasizes the importance of silence in prayer and through messages and practice most participants are able to achieve inner healing. This learning has a very practical character, like a workshop: by praying we learn to pray.

In every session we meditate on readings of the Word, practice a prayer method and listen to a message from the founder, Fr. Ignacio Larrañaga, OFM Cap. The Workshop consists of a two-hour weekly session for a period of 15 weeks and a final one-day retreat. The instruction is free and all workshop materials have a cost of \$15.00. For information and to register call Ana at 647-631-5115 or 905-787-1415. For more information, visit the website at www.tovpil.ca/ontario.

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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