

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	Parish Office	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

Parish Office.....416-439-1545

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Screening Committee

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Unconditional Love

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus teaches us a lesson about how we ought to treat our enemies. When we think about our enemies, what comes to mind are those who bully us, those who do bad things to us and those who persecute us for no reason. And for some reason, we cannot retaliate. As a result, resentment, anger, bitterness and hatred begin to build up in us and it culminates with the most painful vengeance. But would that be the best revenge?

Today Jesus teaches us: *"love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you."* With this, Jesus teaches us to be forgiving people. He teaches us to ask for forgiveness from those we have wounded and to forgive those who have wounded us. This is our call today as followers of Christ: *"Pardon and you will be pardoned – forgive and you will be forgiven"*.

To be sure, it is a very difficult teaching to follow. Yet, that difficult teaching comes with a promise from the Lord, that He will be our refuge and protector, He will save us from those who bully us, who hate us, who curse us. Yes, the Lord will save us just as He saved David.

So, our reflection is: is there someone we need to ask for forgiveness today for some wound we inflicted? Is there someone we need to forgive today for something they did to us? What causes us to have difficulty to do what Jesus taught us about forgiveness and loving unconditionally?

Fr. Aegi Warsito SCJ

Mass Intentions for February 19 – 26, 2022

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Petronila De Guzman, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Warren Cuffie, requested by the Francis family
	10:00 a.m.	+James Joven, requested by the family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Savina & Carmela Sr. Grande, Greg Kershaw and intentions of friends & family of the Grande family, requested by the family
Monday	9:00 a.m.	+Yusuf Patel, requested by the family
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Joe & Corinne Alphonso
	7:00 p.m.	+James & Philomena Brennan, requested by the family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Leonie & Louis Alphonso and Amarino & Lazarine D'Souza, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Christopher & Leela Viswasam, requested by the Benedict family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Mike Madigan, requested by J. & N. Gleason
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of Pat Patel
		+Agnes Britto, requested by Lena and family
		In thanksgiving, Divya Gujadhur & Pranjal
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Jose Ma. Ezpeleta, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Joseph Mallia, requested by the family
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Ann Power, requested by M. E. Hisson



Updates on COVID Restrictions

The Ontario government has announced that COVID restrictions will be lifted in two phases. We are now in the first phase with the following rules:

- Physical distancing is to be maintained at two meters during Masses
 - Masks are still to be worn
 - Parish halls can now be used for other events besides Mass overflow (with social distancing)
 - Contact tracing is no longer necessary
 - Congregational singing can resume
- More details will be provided shortly for the second phase of reopening on Tues., Mar. 1/22.

Are You or Someone You Know Divorced?

Pope Francis has greatly simplified the procedures for those Catholics who would like to investigate their marriage as a result of a divorce. It could be because a person would like to enter a new relationship or for a completely different reason. This process is free of charge. Please call our parish office for more information or visit www.archtoronto.org/marriagetribunal.

Lives of the Saints

Saint Peter Damian - feast day February 21

Saint Peter Damian is a Doctor of the Church, so honoured for his writings, as well as his work for reform and renewal of the Church. Peter was born in 1007 into a large family in Ravenna, Italy. He was orphaned at a very young age, and the first brother to care for him treated him very badly. Another brother, however, a priest in Ravenna, recognized Peter's brilliance and arranged for schooling. Peter appreciated this so much that he took on his brother's name and called himself Peter Damian. He became a hermit monk and was eventually chosen as the superior of his community. In 1057 he was appointed the bishop of Ostia. Throughout his life he fought for clerical reform and against the laxness and immorality of the clergy of his day. Eventually, he received permission from Pope Alexander to return to the simple life of a monk. He died in 1072.

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.

Prayers Needed for the Sick

We are praying for the sick:, Shiromi Thambyrajah, Sheri-Anne Asaro, Praveen Bobby Balakumar, John Jeffery, Helen Lazo, Emmanuel Fernando, Elias Khowry, Oliver, Ryder, Mary Lavrisa, Beatriz Tjong, Anita P. Sumabat, Paul Paboudjian, Elinor & Jose Layos, Pedro Chu, Dr. Christopher Chang, Benjamin & Rulfino Dalmacio, Gloria Paraan, Mary Romadenko, Nancy Skiba, Selvmani and those with COVID-19. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

The Toronto Catholic District School Board Recruiting Positions

The Toronto Catholic District School Board is actively recruiting for the positions of:

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