

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	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	Aduino Bertazzon	416-438-0507
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

Youth Group

Drusilla Lobo.....drusilla17lobo@hotmail.com

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

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A Challenging Call

God is always trying to communicate with us. Through many signs He reveals His plan of love and how we can collaborate with Him. He has the power to accomplish it on His own; however He chooses to call us to work with Him, as He wants to share this important task of announcing the Good News to everyone.

In today's liturgy, Isaiah, Paul and Peter felt unworthy for such a great mission. They were conscious of their sinfulness but the Lord promised to shape and strengthen them permanently. He touched and burnt Isaiah's mouth to consecrate and teach him what to say. He led Peter to deeper waters and made him a fisherman of people. Paul, who once was a persecutor of Christians, now by the grace of God, has become a courageous apostle.

The Lord calls us as well. Today He challenges us to obey His voice, overcome our fear and surrender to His love. Through the Sacrament of the Eucharist let us allow Him to transform us into His disciples and missionaries in the world.

Fr. Will, SCJ

Stations of the Cross



Each Friday evening during Lent the Stations of the Cross will take place at 6:00 p.m. followed by Mass at 7:00 p.m.

Mass Intentions for February 6 - 13, 2016

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Intentions of Ofelia Lim
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Raffaele, Sebastiana & Maria Privitera and Moses & Lucy Kennedy, requested by the family
	10:00 a.m.	+George & Bernice Dias, requested by the Collins family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
Monday	8:00 p.m.	In thanksgiving, Rena Enrera
	7:30 a.m.	+Karen Cabrera, requested by the family
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Luvina Pinto
	7:00 p.m.	+Matilda & Nicholas Emmanuel, requested by the family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Eugene Deabreu, requested by J. Deabreu
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of the sick
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+John Johnston, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	In thanksgiving, Purificacion Mendoza
		In thanksgiving, the Rapozo family
		+Lydia de Leon, requested by F. & L. West
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Frank Reilly, requested by R. Bulger
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of Maria Cecilia Asuncion
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Genie Kiriakou

Praying for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Ofelia Lim, Nita Hazell, Roslyn Leigh Patrick, Tirso Manadero, Erlinda De Vera, Erlinda Cal, Rita Benedict, Erin Joseph, Rita Croft, Henry Sharp, Tilly Graham, Mary Anderson, Ruth Aranjuez and Freddie Empensando. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry by the grace of God.

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, February 10th



Ash Wednesday 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.

Lenten Workshops



The parish will hold workshops during Lent on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. in the parish hall as

follows:

- Wednesday, February 24
- Wednesday, March 2
- Wednesday, March 9
- Wednesday, March 16

We will have various speakers during this time to help with your Easter preparation.

Circle of Conversation

Monday, March 14 at 7:00 p.m.

Our Priests of the Sacred Heart invite everyone to a Circle of Conversation around welcoming and accompanying Syrian refugees within the context of the Islam and Christian faiths with Samira Kanji, the President and CEO of the Noor Cultural Centre and Ghalia Dbiwe, Ghalia Bdiwe, a Syrian journalist. The Circle of Conversation will be held in our parish hall on Mon., Mar. 14th at 7:00 p.m.

Do You Have Daytime Availability?

Volunteers are needed for the work of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. If you are available during the day to assist those who are in need in our area, the Society would be most appreciative for your help. For more information, please call 416-439-7827.

Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, February 14th after morning Masses



On Sun., Feb. 14th after all morning Masses the Youth Group will be having their annual Pancake Breakfast! Enjoy some pancakes, bacon and free coffee, tea

and juice. All monies raised will help support the youth to attend the World Youth Day in Poland this summer.

Valentine's Dinner and Dance

Saturday, February 13, 2016



Our third Annual Parish Valentine's Dinner and Dance will be held next Sat., Feb. 13th after

the evening Mass in our parish hall. Door prizes, buffet dinner, live band 'Pearl of Wisdom' and more!! Tickets are \$35.00 for adults and \$15.00 for children under 12 years of age. Tickets are available after weekend Masses.

Mass in a Moment

The Preparation of the Gifts and Altar



During a sacred Passover meal Jesus commanded his followers to remember him in a meal. Before the Eucharistic meal begins, the table is prepared. Cloths are laid; bread and wine are brought

forward. In a prayer of praise in the Jewish "berakah" style, the priest acknowledges the bread and wine as gifts of God to us that we will share as divinizing sacred food. The priest's action of adding a little water to the wine is rooted in the ancient practice of diluting all wine. But his quiet prayer speaks of the profound and unique reality of Christian life: communion of life with God in Christ. The priest's handwashing is probably rooted in an ancient ritual of purification in preparation for prayer. May the Lord accept the Eucharistic sacrifice for the praise and glory of his name.

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