# St. Thomas More Parish

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#### **Parish Staff**

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Priests of the Sacred Heart

Secretaries: Josie Elsner, Suzy Correia Religious Ed. Coordinator: Gracie Nepomuceno

Pastoral Council Chair: Mike Carolan Caretaker: Rodel Trivino

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**

Youth Minister

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

Youth Group

stthomasmoreyouthgroup22@gmail.com Drusilla

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Parish Groups	
Parish Council	
Mike Carolan	416-282-4750
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Alan King	416-284-7190
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Martel Gordon-Tennant	416-430-7827

#### An Intimacy With Jesus, the Lamb of God

Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. John the Baptist, his cousin, gave this testimony as he saw Jesus coming towards him. John's statement reminds us of the ancient Jewish tradition of sacrificing a lamb at Passover when God's people commemorate their freedom from slavery in Egypt. Now, Jesus brings true freedom from the slavery of sin. The sin of refusing God's love and closing our heart to others. Jesus, the Lamb, will be sacrificed for our salvation.

Surprisingly, John asserts that he does not know Him before He came to be baptized. However, at His Baptism, John himself saw the Holy Spirit descending upon Christ. John knew Jesus was the Son of Mary and Joseph, but did not have a chance to get to know Him deeply. It's necessary, for John and for us, to spend time with the Lord, to listen to Him and to become friends with Him. The true knowledge of Christ is the fruit of relationship and communion with Jesus who came to set us free.

This intimacy with the Lord will lead us to a vocation of holiness. In his letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul called that community "sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be holy." Today we ask ourselves; what level of intimacy do we have with the Lord? Do we truly know Him? Where is the holiness of our community? As we gather once again to partake in the Lamb of God, let us ask Him to set us free from ignorance and selfishness.

Fr. Willyans, SCJ

Mass Intentions for January 13 - 20, 2018			
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	In thanksgiving, Titus & Annie Remedios	
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Lucila Ocampo,	
Curiday	0.00 4.111.	requested by the Huang	
		family	
	10:00 a.m.	+Luisito De Juan	
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish	
		community	
	8:00 p.m.	+Alfonse Lambe	
		(Servant of God),	
		requested by the Legion	
Monday	7:30 a.m.	of Mary +Tonito Coelho Do	
Moriday	7.30 a.iii.	Amaral, requested by	
		the family	
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Pricila Celia Lim,	
		requested by the family	
	7:00 p.m.	+Camilla Palumbo,	
	-	requested by the family	
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving Troy	
	_	Felix-Wallinson	
	7:00 p.m.	+lda Innasipillai,	
Th	7.00	requested by the family	
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Amy Gozun	
	7:00 p.m.	+Louis Lawrence,	
		requested by the Prayer	
		Group	
		+Lydia de Leon,	
		requested by the	
		Francis family In thanksgiving, the	
		Bicos family	
		+Bernardo & Inocencia	
		Quiban, requested by	
		S. Quiban	
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Winnivee Faundo,	
		requested by the family	
	7:00 p.m.	+Charmaine Orr,	
		requested by C. Orr-	
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Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Adriana Kiriakou	
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#### Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, February 4 after all Masses

Our Youth Group is holding a Pancake Breakfast on Sun., Feb. 4 in the parish hall after all morning Masses. Please come and support our youth!

#### Valentine's Dinner and Dance

Saturday, February 10 at 6:30 p.m.



Our annual Valentine's Dinner and Dance will be held on Sat., Feb. 10 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Delicious food, door prizes, DJ music and fun will be featured at a cost

of only \$35.00 a ticket (\$15.00 a ticket for children under 12 years of age). Tickets are available at the parish office or after weekend Masses. For more information, please call the parish office at 416-439-1545.

#### **Sunday Offertory Envelopes**



Parishioners who are using the Sunday offertory envelopes are requested to write their name and address on the first few envelopes for our recordkeeping.

#### Walk-In Counselling Clinics

Every Tuesday and Thursday



Counselling services are open to the public every Tuesday (at 1155 Yonge St., Ste. 101 at 416-921-1163) from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and every Thursday (at 5799 Yonge

St., Ste. 300 at 416-222-0048) from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This single consultation helps clients to set goals and build on their strengths and resources. No appointment is necessary and is scheduled on a first-come-first-serve basis with fees geared to income levels.

#### St. Lawrence Parish Movie Nights

Saturday, January 20 to Saturday, February 24

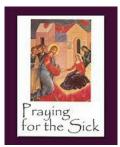
St. Lawrence Martyr Church (2210 Lawrence Ave. E.) is holding (free) Movie Nights each Saturday from Sat., Jan. 20 to Sat., Feb. 24 beginning at 6:15 p.m. in their parish hall. The extended version of The Lord of the Rings Trilogy will be featured. Pop and pizza will be available for \$5.00.

# Altar Servers of St. Thomas More Parish



Looking for ways to serve the Lord this New Year? We are seeking boys and girls over the age of 9 to join the Altar Servers at St. Thomas More Parish. For more information and to sign-up, please contact the parish office at 416-439-1545.

#### Praying for the Sick



We are praying for the sick of our parish: Ivan Henriques, Steve Goller, Henry Sharp, Antonio Antonio, Daphne Chater, Albert Vella, Phyllis Cogliano, Yvonne Rampersaud, Kaumudi Passanha and Basil Benedict.

May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

#### **Vocation Seeds**



A good vocation prayer to say every day – from the time we are young until we are in our golden years – is found in today's First Reading:

"Speak Lord, for your servant is listening". Just try it with sincerity, starting today and, if you think God is calling you to serve as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux at <a href="mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org">vocations@archtoronto.org</a>.

#### Help is Needed

Friday, February 9 and Saturday, February 10



We are looking for people to help us with our fundraiser, the Valentine's Dinner and Dance, on Fri., Feb. 9 to set up and decorate the hall and on Sat., Feb. 10 for kitchen help and clean up. Please call

the parish office (416-439-1545) if you are able to help. Thank you for your consideration!

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