

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.....youth.stmyg@yahoo.ca

Young Adults for Christ

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Parish Groups

Parish Council

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

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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 reflects the ancient Jewish tradition of sacrificing a lamb for the Festival of Passover when God's people commemorate their freedom from slavery. Now, Jesus brings true freedom from the slavery of sin, which is refusing God's love and closing your heart to others. Jesus, the Lamb, will be sacrificed for our salvation.

Surprisingly, John denies knowing Him before His baptism. However, at that time, John saw the Holy Spirit descending upon Christ. John knew Jesus was the Son of Mary and Joseph of Nazareth 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 a 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 in our community? As we gather once again to partake of the Lamb of God, let us ask Him to set us free from ignorance and selfishness.

Fr. Will, SCJ

Mass Intentions for January 14 - 21, 2017

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Lucila Ocampo, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Intentions of Lisa & Deanne D'Souza
	10:00 a.m.	+Deceased members of the Lewis family, requested by the D'Mello family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Maria D'Souza, requested by her daughter
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Tonito Amaral, requested by M. Botelho
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Teodora Yambot, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Ida P. Innasipillai, requested by the family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving, Deidre Bastian
	7:00 p.m.	+Camilla Palumbo, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Eunice Simone & Denise Wilde
	7:00 p.m.	+Agostinho Teixeira, requested by Celeste's family
		In thanksgiving, Ivy Gay Gonzalbo
		In thanksgiving, Marina Escobar
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Edward De Silva & family, requested by M. Fernando
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of Sarah Myers
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Adriana Kiriakou

Sunday Offertory Envelope Users



Please remember to print your name and address on your Sunday offertory envelopes for the first few weeks so that we can keep track of your donations properly for tax receipt purposes. Thank you!

Praying for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Dennis Hookimaw Sr., Peter Iliev, Bella Passanha, Mary Roberts, Rita Croft, Henry Sharp, Denise Wilde and Tom Shaw. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry by the grace of God.

The Mass in a Moment – Entrance Song & Procession



Have you ever noticed that the celebration of the Eucharist usually begins with song?

And that everyone sings? From beginning to end the Mass is a very musical activity. The Roman Missal notes that song is a way of showing and intensifying our unity with one another. Our singing opens us to the action of the Holy Spirit. What a wonderful way to begin our celebration of this sacrament of unity! Our song and procession at the beginning of Mass mark the formal beginning of our celebration. The entrance of the priest and other ministers signals that the gathering of this sacred assembly is now complete. Our song is one with Christ's eternal hymn of praise to the Father and with the song of all creation to its Creator. "Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Come before God, singing for joy."

Family of Faith



Thank you for your commitment to our parish's Family of Faith campaign. To help ensure our parish benefits from your help on a timely basis, please make sure your payment information is up-to-date. Donations/payments can be sent directly to the Donations Processing Centre. The address is: Donations Processing Centre, Family of Faith Campaign, 1155 Yonge Street, Toronto, ON, M4T 1W2. You should contact the Centre when your address changes, your payment method/information changes (such as a new card or a new card expiry date). The email address is campaign@archtoronto.org or call 416-934-3400 x555.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Every Sunday at the 10:00 a.m. Mass

The Children's Liturgy of the Word program takes place at the 10:00 a.m. Mass for children 4 to 10 years of age. Children and catechists go to the parish hall to hear and discuss the Sunday readings at their level of understanding after the Opening Prayer at Mass and then return to the Mass at the Offertory. No registration is required. Please encourage your child to attend.

Kindergarten Registration

Wednesday, January 18 at 10:00 a.m.



School registration for children who were born in 2013 (4 years of age) are eligible to attend

kindergarten. School registration for September 2017 begins on Wed., Jan. 18, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. Registrations are also available online at soar.tcdsb.org.

Is God Calling You?



St. Paul tells us that we have been sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be a holy people. Could it be that you or someone in your family is being called to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If so, please contact Fr. Chris Lemieux at 416-968-0997 or at vocations@archtoronto.org.

Band of Christian Brothers Men's Conference

Saturday, February 18, 2017

Join Fr. Larry Richards and Archbishop Christian Lepine of Montreal on Sat., Feb. 18th for Serviam Ministries' Second annual Band of Christian Brothers Men's Conference at Canada Christian College (50 Gervais Drive). The theme is "Step Up". The day will strengthen and challenge men to become the man God created them to be. Mass, Adoration and Confession will take place. For more information, please write info@serviamministries.com or call 1-888-522-2070.



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