

# St. Thomas More Parish

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## Parish Staff

**Pastor:** Rev. Aegidius Warsito SCJ

**Associate Pastors:** Rev. Martin Kadamattu SCJ, Rev. Antonio Resende Pereira SCJ  
Priests of the Sacred Heart

**Secretaries:** Josie Elsner, Cathy Dessailly    **Religious Ed. Coordinator:** Michelle Peres

**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	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	<a href="mailto:stmparish.altarservers@gmail.com">stmparish.altarservers@gmail.com</a>
Ushers/Greeters	Percy D'Mello	647-404-5394
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 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](mailto:stthomasmore@rogers.com)

### Young Adults for Christ

Racine Senining.....[stmyac@gmail.com](mailto:stmyac@gmail.com)

## Parish Groups

### Parish Council

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

### Finance Council

Alan King.....416-284-7190

### Screening Committee

Parish office.....416-439-1545

### St. Vincent de Paul Society

Martel Gordon-Tennant.....416-439-7827

## The Truth

Nowadays, to talk about the truth is not an easy thing to do it. And in Jesus' time this situation was not really different. We can see what Jesus experienced; He was rejected, even dying on the cross, because He spoke and taught the truth.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus went home to Nazareth and preached the truth to the people there because they were His people and they were important to Him. He cared and loved them and He knows that the truth will save them and set them free. At first, they were astonished by His words and even gave Him their approval, but when they realized the truth of what He was saying, they were enraged and then turned violent and hostile and even wanted to throw Jesus down the cliff.

What was the truth that disturbed them so much?

The truth was that they were God's Chosen People and that He has blessed them and even sent prophets to keep reminding them to be faithful to His covenant. The problem was that they kept rejecting the prophets and even persecuted them, and now Jesus came and told them that God's Word and His blessings are also for the pagans and the non-Jews, because it is not the private property of the Chosen People but for all peoples. And that is what the people of the hometown of Jesus could not accept; it enraged them and even made them want to kill Jesus.

Our reflection is: What about us? What do we think about the truth that Jesus taught us and what will we do with it?

*Fr. Aegi Warsito SCJ*

## Mass Intentions for January 29 – February 5, 2022

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Claudine Goller, requested by R. and A. Botell
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving, Ryan Paul and +Kim Roy, requested by the family
	10:00 a.m.	+Souls in Purgatory, especially members of FOSS, requested by S. Myers
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Florencia Estefa-Aragon, requested by the Palos family
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Felipe Mantes, requested by S. McPherson
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Paul Medeiros, requested by R. Tubongbanua
	7:00 p.m.	+Felipe Mantes, requested by S. McPherson
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Barry Doucette, requested by R. Benedict
	7:00 p.m.	+Claudine Goller, requested by A. and S. King
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Bella Sotto, requested by Y. Faller
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of the Serviam Group, our priests and for priestly vocations
		+Yusuf Patel, requested by S. McPherson
		+Ingrid Hancock, requested by the D'Mello and Chaves families
		Intentions of Fredrick Martyn
		+Felipe Mantes, requested by C. Peters
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Amador Enguerra, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Gonzalo Martinez, requested by A. Martinez
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Juanita Cuartero, requested by R. Ladines

*Experience is the name everyone gives to their mistakes!*

## Lives of the Saints

Saint John Bosco – feast day January 31

Known to many as Don Bosco, this patron saint of youth was born in Piedmont, Italy, in 1815. Raised in poverty, John was ordained in Turin in 1841. After witnessing the circumstances of boys living in a local prison, he resolved to devote himself to working among disadvantaged boys – children living on the street, juvenile delinquents and any child who was suffering because of disadvantage.

He formed the Salesian Society, named after Francis de Sales, and began educating boys of the poor and working classes, holding evening classes in factories, in fields or wherever there was a need. John believed in equipping boys for life in the world and trade schools soon formed a large part of Salesian training. A progressive thinker, he abhorred all punishment, believing that by removing youth from temptation, treating them with dignity and kindness and enriching them with skills, they could be led to more productive lives. His rule was, “Not with blows, but with charity and gentleness must you draw these friends to the path of virtue.” With the help of Saint Mary Mazzarello, he also established the Salesian Sisters to do similar work among girls. John Bosco died in 1888 and was canonized in 1934.

## Prayers Needed for the Sick

We are praying for the sick: Sheri-Anne Asaro, Gertrudes Lumbre, 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, Elisa & Rulfino Dalmacio, Gloria & Maritess Paraan, Lilia Fernandes, 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.

## Tax Receipts Available Feb. 1, 2022

Tax receipts for 2021, available after February 1<sup>st</sup>, can be picked up in the parish office during office hours.

## Sacramental Prep News

Email: [stmpsacraments@gmail.com](mailto: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.

## Catholic Family Services of Toronto's Online Counselling Sessions

Catholic Family Services of Toronto is now offering online quick access single sessions. Single-session counselling is a quick and effective way for individuals, couples or families to address a mental health or relationship concern. To arrange for a session, please contact: [info@cfstoronto.com](mailto:info@cfstoronto.com) or 416-921-1163 or 416-222-0048. Leave a message with your name, email and phone number and a staff person will contact you.

Counselling fees are charged according to a client's income level. No one is denied service because of their inability to pay fees.

## Lives of the Saints

Saint Blaise – feast day February 3

Blaise is best known for the tradition of blessing throats. An Armenian bishop, Blaise suffered martyrdom during the persecution of Licinius, in the early 4<sup>th</sup> century. While little is known about him, it is said that religious oppression forced him to live as a hermit in a cave.

According to legend, Blaise performed a miraculous cure on a boy who was choking to death. Blaise has long been associated with cures for afflictions of the throat and the blessing of throats may take place on this day in memory of him. He is a patron of wool-combers and of all who suffer from afflictions of the throat. He is also a patron of wild beasts, as legend suggests he had a very calming influence on animals.

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