

St. Thomas More Parish

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Priests of the Sacred Heart

Secretaries: Josie Elsner, Cathy Dessailly **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	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	416-439-1545
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 Road	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

Lissette.....stthomasmoreyouthgroup22@gmail.com

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Parish Groups

Parish Council

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

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Jesus is United With Humanity

Our faith embraces the tension of the hypostatic union – the fully divine *and* fully human nature of Jesus. The Baptism of the Lord is a profound instance of the revelation of the humanity of Jesus and his desire to draw close to us.

John the Baptist baptized people “for repentance” (Matthew 3.11). If Jesus is God, why would he need to be baptized for the forgiveness of sins? One possible answer is that Jesus was baptized in order to identify totally with us. He is the only member of the human race that does not need forgiveness; however, in order to identify with us, he humbled himself to undergo baptism. He even identified with the *effects* of sin that we experience: suffering and death. I draw great comfort and hope from this episode in Matthew’s Gospel; Jesus is present in every experience of my life, even in my need for redemption and forgiveness. His act of humility has increased my intimacy with him.

Each time we gather for Mass, we bless ourselves with water from the baptismal font, calling to mind our baptism and Christ’s. Let this week’s Eucharist be an opportunity to give thanks that we have a Saviour who understands our humanity and the effect that sin has on it, even as God the Father calls him “my Son, the Beloved.”

Rose Derksen, Edmonton, AB
 Excerpted from *Living With Christ*

Mass Intentions for January 11 - 18, 2020

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Antony Sebastian & Mary Antony, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Rafaele, Sebastiana, & Maria Privitera and Moses & Lucy Kennedy, requested by the Privitera family
	10:00 a.m.	+Deceased members of the Lewis family, requested by the family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Luisito de Juan, requested by the family
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Asuncion & Dody Tagle, requested by Tessie & Elena
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Lucila Ocampo, requested by the Huang family
	7:00 p.m.	+Hospicio Elejorde Jr., requested by the family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Gregory Rozario, requested by B. & E. Rozario
	7:00 p.m.	+Souls in purgatory, requested by M. Palumbo
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Albert Vella, requested by the Altar Society
	7:00 p.m.	+Darius & Lolita Dabu, requested by the family
		+Raymond Whittle, requested by the Gonsalves family
		+Agostinho Teixeira, requested by the family
+Priscila Celia Lim, requested by the family		
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Teodora Yambot, requested by L. & J. Bedford-James
	7:00 p.m.	+Camilla Palumbo, requested by the family
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	In thanksgiving, Imelda Abad



Karaoke Night

Saturday, January 18, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.



A new group at our parish called, Community in Action, led by our youth will be hosting a free Karaoke Night on Sat., Jan. 18 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Entry is free

and refreshments will be available to purchase. There will also be a 50/50 draw and all proceeds will go towards the group. The theme is "Winter Getaway" so wear your brightest shirts!

Annual Valentine's Dinner & Dance

Saturday, February 15, 2020



Come out and celebrate the love we share as brothers and sisters in Christ at this year's Valentine's Dinner and Dance on Sat., Feb. 15. Tickets are \$40.00 per person and \$20.00 for children aged 12 years and under.

So come join us for a night of fellowship and fun! To avoid disappointment, purchase your tickets as soon as possible. Tickets will not be sold at the door. If you purchase 8 or more tickets, you can reserve a table. For more information or tickets, please call the parish office at 416-439-1545.

Prayers Needed for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Ferdinand Manadero, Alessandra Lupo, Graeme Caulfield, Lee Cummings, Geraldine Balarajah, Maurice Archer, Mikayla Haswell, Bashir McDoom, Phyllis & Anthony Cogliano and Tom Shaw. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Rome

October 9 – 22, 2020



Our parish is hosting a pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Rome from Oct. 9 to 22 at a cost of \$4,590. per person. Father Aegi is the spiritual guide and Connaissance Travel is making the arrangements for the trip. Please call the parish office for more information.

Sacramental Prep News

CONFIRMATION

- Jan. 12 – classes resume as scheduled

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

- **PUBLIC SCHOOL** and Baptismal Prep students *only*
Jan. 11 – class as scheduled
- Students attending **Catholic Schools – Parents' Meeting** will be held on Saturday, January 11 in the church hall at 6:15 p.m. *after* the 5:00 p.m. Mass.

ECFL (Early Catholic Family Life Program)

*We thank those who organized, supported and participated in the **Christmas Nativity Pageant**. It was a concerted effort and a wonderful collaboration between the choir, the participants and the organizers. It was an example of how the faith community at St. Thomas More Parish – celebrates the gift of family and promotes growth and unity in the faith.*



ECFL showcase

Open to all

Sunday, February 2 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the church hall

Drop in and visit our:

- Information table
- Display booth
- Meet and greet our catechists and volunteers
- **hands-on fun activities for children** with the help of their **grandparents or parents**.

For details, call 647-299-2189 or contact the ECFL Team at askstmp2016@gmail.com

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

January 18 – 25, 2020

Cardinal Collins will be in attendance at an Ecumenical Prayer Service, entitled "They showed us unusual kindness", on Sun., Jan. 26 at 7:00 p.m. at Yorkminster Park Baptist Church (1585 Yonge St.). Everyone is most welcome!

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