

# St. Thomas More Parish

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## Parish Staff

**Pastor:** Rev. Willyans Rapozo SCJ

**Associate Pastor:** Rev. Aegidius Warsito SCJ

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	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](mailto:youth.stmyg@yahoo.ca)

### Young Adults for Christ

Andy Rodrigues .....[stmyac@gmail.com](mailto:stmyac@gmail.com)

## Parish Groups

### Parish Council

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

### Finance Council

Alan King.....416-439-1545

### Screening Committee

Claudine Goller.....416-289-0307

### St. Vincent de Paul Society

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

## Climb the Mountain and Listen to the Lord

“Jesus went up to the mountain and, after He sat down, his disciples came to him.” This line in today’s Gospel brings a new understanding of the relationship between God and His people. In the Old Testament, Moses was the only one allowed to climb Mount Sinai and talk to God. The people of Israel were to wait for him to come back and reveal to them the word of God. Now Jesus goes up the mountain and His disciples follow Him. He brings the Father closer to all who open their hearts to listen to Him.

As a true teacher, Jesus sits down to instruct His disciples in the ways of faith. The Sermon on the Mountain begins with eight beatitudes. Jesus calls blessed those who are poor in spirit, meek, merciful, pure in heart, peacemakers... those who mourn, hunger and thirst and are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven. Jesus knew that many people were tired of the oppression imposed by the powerful. Even their leaders, religious and political, who were supposed to protect the people, had been seduced by greed and corruption. But God is on their side!

God is the Lord of the poor! He chose them to be recipients of His Kingdom of Justice. Zephaniah, in the First Reading said, “They shall seek refuge in the name of the Lord – the remnant of Israel.” As we gather to celebrate God’s righteousness, we ask Him to open our eyes, ears and hearts against the injustice of the world; to inspire our words and actions that may bring true peace and wellbeing for all.

*Fr. Will, SCJ*

## Mass Intentions for January 28 – February 4, 2017

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Intentions of Ofelia Lim
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Gerardina Facchini, requested by the family
	10:00 a.m.	+Marina Veloza, requested by the family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Alfie Lambe (Servant of God), requested by the Legion of Mary
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Roque Camara, requested by the Correia family
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Souls in purgatory, especially deceased members of FOSS, requested by S. Myers
	7:00 p.m.	+Atputhathan, requested by the Anthonipillai family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Souls in purgatory especially members of FOSS, requested by J. Bernal
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of Ignatius Innasipillai
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Judy Badian, requested by L. & T. Lumbo
	7:00 p.m.	In thanksgiving, Purification Mendoza
		In thanksgiving, Derek & Kanthie De Alwis
		Intentions of Fred & Lorraine West +Judy Badian, requested by F. Alba
Friday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Melanie Hernandez
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of the sick
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Gene Abanes, requested by the Abanes family

## Income Tax Receipts Available



Income tax receipts for 2016 are now available to be picked up. If there are any concerns in this regard, please call the parish office at 416-439-1545 during regular office hours.

## Valentine Dinner and Dance

Saturday, February 18, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

Our fourth Annual Parish Valentine Dinner and Dance will be held on Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup> 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 ages 2 to 12 years. Tickets will be available after all Masses on January 28 / 29, February 4 / 5 and February 11 / 12 or at the parish office (416-439-1545). The Pastoral Council is requesting volunteers (high school students are most welcome) to assist with the many duties involved in making this a most enjoyable evening. Please call the parish office if you can help.

### Praying for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Denise Whyte, Kenny Corraya, Phyllis Cogliano, Yvonne Rampersaud, Dennis Hookimaw Sr., Peter Iliev, Rita Croft and Henry Sharp. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry by the grace of God.

### First Holy Communion Classes Begin

Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.



Children who have registered for First Holy Communion will begin their preparation classes next Sat., Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m.

### World Day for Consecrated Life on Thursday, February 2, 2017

Mass on Sunday, January 29 at 3:00 p.m.

World Day for Consecrated Life will be celebrated in the Church on Thurs., Feb. 2, 2017 and in parishes on the weekend of January 28 / 29, 2017. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

All are welcome to come to a special Mass presided by Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick today Sun., Jan. 29 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Basilica, Toronto, to celebrate with and pray for these men and women religious who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our Archdiocese.

### Is God Calling You?

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven..." Do not be discouraged by jeers when considering being a priest, deacon, brother or sister. If God is calling you, please contact Fr. Chris Lemieux at 416-968-0997 or at [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org).

### Children's Liturgy of the Word

Sundays at the 10:00 a.m. Mass


The Children's Liturgy of the Word program is held every Sunday 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. No registration is required. Please encourage your child to attend.

### Seven Oaks Needs Volunteers!

Are you retired? Are you looking for something to do, keep your brain active and give back to your community? Have you considered volunteering in a Long-Term Care Home? Seven Oaks desperately needs daytime volunteers! Help is needed in many areas. Please call the parish office if you are interested.

### Down Memory Lane


In January 2007 the Ark of the Covenant was at our parish in preparation for the 2008 Eucharistic Congress in Quebec (ten years ago!).



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