

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	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	stmparish.altarservers@gmail.com
Ushers/Greeters	Percy D'Mello	647-404-5394
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Nardina Grande	416-419-8254
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

Mel Perpose.....melperpose@gmail.com

Young Adults for Christ

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Parish Groups

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Clara Peters-Onagoruwa.....416-439-1545

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

Screening Committee

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

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

The Beatitudes

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus is talking about the popular heavenly constitution, the Beatitudes. The meaning of the word "Blessed", as Jesus intends, is happiness. All that Jesus wants for us is to be happy; not according to the world's understanding of what happiness is all about, but according to what God means by this word. The 'happy' that we hear about in this Sunday's Gospel has a different tone and sounds contradictory to what society normally considers a source of happiness.

What is the significance of Jesus' beatitudes and why are they so central to his teaching? The beatitudes respond to the natural desire for happiness that God has placed in every heart.

The Beatitudes are the golden rules for happiness. The blessed may be poor in riches but they find their happiness by putting their trust in a caring God. The blessed may also happen to be materially rich, but because they are poor in spirit, their love for God outweighs their attachment to their wealth and therefore, they are happy. People who are poor in spirit are those: who trust in God (vs. greed); those who are humble (vs. pride); those who forgive (vs. revenge); those who are just (vs. unfairness); those who are merciful (vs. rash judgment); those who are pure of heart (vs. lust) and those who are active witnesses (vs. sloth). These should be our Christian attitudes if we want to be called blessed by God.

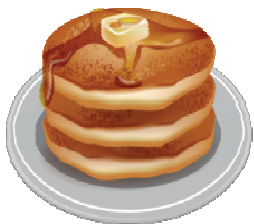
Therefore, our reflection is: How do we live out the Beatitudes in our lives in the midst of a secular and materialistic society? What kinds of happiness are we looking for right now?

Fr. Aegi Warsito SCJ

Mass Intentions for January 28 – February 4, 2023

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Selina and Thilo Fernandes requested by Teo Fernandes and family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+James Joven requested by the family
	10:00 a.m.	+Klaus Emig, requested by the Parish Choir
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the Parish Community
	8:00 p.m.	Thanksgiving to Jesus by D'Souza Family
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Jean and Douglas Gilchrist requested by The Taylor family
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+ S. Jacintha Hentry
	7:00 p.m.	+Ignatius and Ida Innasipillai requested by the Theresian family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+John and Geraldine Taylor requested by the Taylor family
	7:00 p.m.	+Souls in Purgatory requested by M. Palumbo
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Mary Roberts, requested by Legion of Mary Members of St. Thomas More
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of Mary Lavrisa
		+Felipe Mantez, requested by Grace Mantez
		+Louisa Gavian requested by Amy Gozun and family
		Intentions of Purification Mendoza
+Lourdes Pushpam Thomas requested by Rajah and Bhanu		
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Edna Singh, requested by S. McPherson
	7:00 p.m.	Thanksgiving for Andrea and Belinda Lacson
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Amador Enguerra, requested by the family

Youth Group – Pancake Breakfast



The Youth Group will be having a pancake breakfast on Feb 5th after all the morning masses. All members of the Parish are invited to participate and socialize with other parishioners.

Young Adults for Christ

Discussion: “Catholic Dating & Marriage”

Keynote Speakers: Aaron & Stephanie Andrade

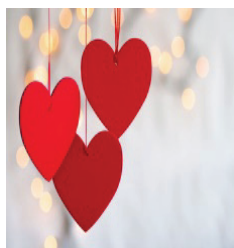
Date: Saturday, February 11th, 2023

Time: 6:30 to 10:00 pm

There will also board games, Karaoke, and socializing. Coffee, tea and refreshments will be served.

All young adults between the ages of 19-35 are welcome.

Valentine’s Dance Party



Saturday, Feb 18, 2023

The Annual Parish Valentine’s Dinner and Dance will be held on **Saturday, Feb 18 at 6:30 pm** in our parish hall. There will be door prizes, a buffet dinner and entertainment. Tickets are

\$50.00 per person.

Tickets are now available.

Ushers will be selling tickets after each Mass.

Altar Server



Anyone interested in becoming an altar server at our parish is welcome to attend a training session on **February 18th at 11:30 a.m.** This is a great way to

earn community service hours. All servers must have received their first Holy Communion.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land Trip and Rome

Our Pastor Father Aegidius will be leading a 14 day Pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Rome from October 7-20, 2023. All Parishioners are invited to join the Pilgrimage. For full details including the cost of the trip, please pick up a brochure from the Parish office 416-439-1545.

Sacramental Prep News

Email: 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.

Prayers Needed for the Sick



Please join us in praying for the sick Sheri-Anne Asaro, Sharmi Basnayaha, Willy Bautista, Aduino Bertazzon, Naly Chia, Phyllis Cole, Frank Del Luca, Jill & Matthew Downs, Georgia Dynes, Lee Esmonde, Alfred Fernandes, Anna Ferreira, Crizza Jane Gabon, Brayden Gangaram, Veronica Harding, Elias Joseph, Linda Klein, Mary Lavrisa, Don Lee, Jack Muir, Victoria Munson, Robert Hill, Lynette Nicholson-Phipps, Angelo Pagnielo, Alba Parada, Denisse Ramirez, Brian and Evelyn Rozario, Silvia Ruscica, Olivia Lam, William Passanha, Lim Hong Kong, Suma Reddy, Theresa Tomaschek Sr., Lina Vitello and Ellie Vitello. May they be supported by our prayers, our ministry and by God’s grace.

Volunteer Training: Free Online Training- Live on Zoom

Wednesday, February 01, 2023 07:00 PM

Thursday, February 02, 2023 09:00 PM

Join Compassionate Community Care for their free online event and training, live on Zoom to gain the confidence to journey with those who are suffering, socially isolated, sick, or dying, to renew their hope and purpose in life. Training will feature Alex Schadenberg, Executive Director of Euthanasia Prevention Coalition and Kathy Matusiak Costa, Director of Compassionate Community Care to address this very important issue and how to overcome it with practical volunteer solutions and being with those who are most vulnerable.


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Registration: <https://www.bitlylinks.com/yuM2wZPq4>

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