St. Thomas More Parish

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Pastor: Rev. Aegidius Warsito SCJ

Associate Pastors: Rev. Martin Kadamattu SCJ, Rev. Antonio Resende Pereira SCJ

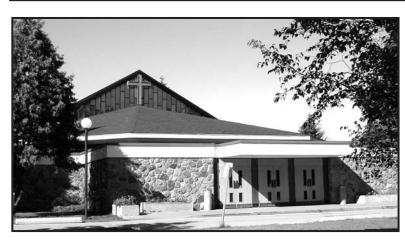
Priests of the Sacred Heart

Secretaries: Josie Elsner, Cathy Dessailly Religious Ed. Coordinator: 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 |
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| 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 Chaplain

Fr. Antonio Pereira SCJ <u>stthomasmore@rogers.com</u>

Young Adults for Christ

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Parish Groups

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| Parish Council | |
| Mike Carolan | 416-282-4750 |
| Finance Council | |
| Alan King | 416-284-7190 |
| Screening Committee | |
| Claudine Goller | 416-289-0307 |
| St. Vincent de Paul Society | |
| Martel Gordon-Tennant | 416-439-7827 |

The Samaritan Woman at the Well

This Sunday's Gospel passage is commonly called "the Samaritan woman at the well." This woman is interesting as well as mysterious. She is not known by name; she came to draw water at the sixth hour, which is around noon time, and that is the hottest time of the day in that region. That already tells us that she wanted to avoid people and that her reputation in the town was on everyone's lips.

She had a bucket with her to draw water, that was when she encountered Jesus and He asked her for a drink. With that, a discussion about water began between Jesus and herself, and then she got interested about the living water so that she may never be thirsty and never have to come to the well again to draw water. And that was literally her bucket list: "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water." And Jesus wanted to fulfill her wishes, on one condition: to call her husband here. And that was when her bucket started leaking. Jesus had told her everything she had done. She could decide to continue the conversation, or she could tell Jesus to mind His own business.

We must give credit to that Samaritan woman for her courage and humility to face Jesus even though she could be embarrassed and ashamed about herself. And for that she had her bucket list granted, although not in the way she had expected. Because she forgot about her thirst and even hurried back to the town to tell the people about Jesus, the very people she had wanted to avoid. She would still be thirsty, and she would still have to come to the well to draw water. But something had changed.

That was the Samaritan woman at the well, and her bucket had a new meaning for her. And what about us? That brings us back to look at our bucket list.

What is it that we are looking for and seeking? What is in the bucket of our hearts and do we want to show it to Jesus?

Fr. Aegi, SCJ

| Mass Intentions for March 14 - 21, 2020 | | | |
|--|-------------|--|--|
| Saturday | 5:00 p.m. | +Dolfred Pinto, | |
| Cataraay | 0.00 p.iii. | 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. | +Tom Biordi, requested by the family | |
| | 11:30 a.m. | Intentions of the parish | |
| | | community | |
| | 8:00 p.m. | In thanksgiving, Jeffrey | |
| | | Sama | |
| Monday | 7:30 a.m. | +Rosario Holipaz, | |
| | | requested by J. Carrillo | |
| Tuesday | 7:30 a.m. | +Ivor Thomas, | |
| _ | | requested by Muriel & | |
| | | family | |
| | 7:00 p.m. | +Souls in purgatory, | |
| | | requested by M. | |
| | | Palumbo | |
| Wednesday | 7:30 a.m. | +Prudencia Salas, | |
| | | requested by the family | |
| | 7:00 p.m. | +Gregory & Mary | |
| | | Rozario, requested by B. | |
| Thursday | 7,20 0 m | & E. Rozario | |
| Thursday | 7:30 a.m. | +Esperanza Cosme, requested by C. Roque | |
| | | & J. Quito | |
| | 7:00 p.m. | +Tirso & Elizabeth | |
| | 7.00 p.iii. | Manadero, requested by | |
| | | F. & G. Mantes | |
| | | +Ivor Thomas, | |
| | | requested by M. Thomas | |
| | | In thanksgiving, | |
| | | Sebastian & Charmaine | |
| | | +Sheila McConville & | |
| | | Arlene Rippard, | |
| | | requested by the Corsini | |
| | | family | |
| | | +Carmon Patrick, | |
| | | requested by M. Patrick | |
| Friday | 7:30 a.m. | +Lionel D'Souza, | |
| | | requested by the Pinto | |
| | 7:00 5 55 | family | |
| | 7:00 p.m. | +Maria Rodrigues, | |
| Saturday | 9:00 a.m. | requested by the family +Deceased members of | |
| Saturday | 3.00 a.iii. | the Goodridge family, | |
| | | requested by the family | |
| | | requested by the fairily | |

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent at 6:30 p.m.

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reached out to Rose of Sharon. At this ShareLife-funded agency she was able to focus on school work with the help of child minding by the agency. Kristen graduated and was accepted into the medical administrations program at Seneca College. "Without Rose of Sharon," says Kristen, "there's no way I would have believed college was a possibility."

March 29 is ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.

YAC Fundraiser – Easter Flowers

Our YAC are taking orders for Easter flowers beginning this weekend. Envelopes are available in the foyer for your order. These flowers will be part of our Easter altar display in memory of your beloved deceased. The costs are \$10.00 for a medium-sized lily, \$20.00 for a large-sized lily and \$30.00 for a hydrangea.



Imagine being part of an organization that unites men of our parish together in charity and faith along with supporting our bishops, priests and deacons. The Knights of Columbus are holding their membership recruitment this weekend after all Masses. You're invited to drop by our information table. For more information contact, Stephen at: stephen.dugal@kofc.org.

Young Adults for Christ Gathering

Saturday, March 28 at 6:30 p.m.

All young adults (ages 19 to 39 years of age) are most welcome to attend the YAC get-together on Sat., Mar. 28 at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall. The theme is: *Forgiveness*. Adoration, praise and worship will follow.

Legion of Mary Acies

Saturday, March 21 at 12:30 p.m.

The Legion of Mary invites all Active, Auxiliary and Junior Legionaries to attend the Acies (Annual Consecration to Our Lady) ceremony on Sat., Mar. 21 from 12:30 to 2:45 p.m. at Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church (3 Combermere Drive, North York).

Sacramental Prep News Email: askstmp2016@gmail.com

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

- March 21 March Break no classes
- March 28 Classes as scheduled

CONFIRMATION

- March 15 March Break No classes
- March 22 March Break No classes
- March 29 Classes as scheduled

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

March 15 – Second Scrutiny – 11:30 a.m. Mass

Celebrating the gift of family



Parents and their young children are *invited* to join us

This program offers:

- Simultaneous sessions for children and for parents
- Children's learning time; hands-on fun activities
- Parent-child interaction, parent discussion time

Target start date: May 2020

To join or for other details, contact our ECFL team askstmp2016@gmail.com or 647-299-2189

Prayers Needed for the Sick



We are praying for the sick of our parish: Rodney, Brian & Evelyn Rozario, Corine Acuna, Sharon Harvey, Russel Nelson, Maurice Archer and Benedicta Gonsalves. May they be supported by our prayers and

pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

Coronavirus Preventative Measures



The Archdiocese has requested that the following measures be implemented at Mass:

 At the Sign of Peace, refrain from shaking hands, a

simple nod will suffice.

- Forgo the distribution of the Blood of Christ at this time.
- Communion ministers should clean their hands before and after the distribution of Communion.

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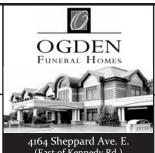
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