# St. Thomas More Parish

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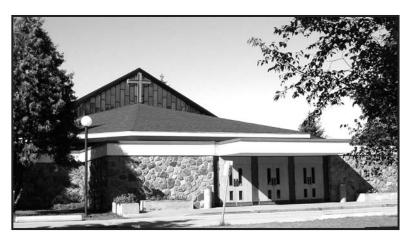
Pastor: Rev. Aegidius Warsito SCJ

Associate Pastor: Rev. Martin K. Antony SCJ Priests of the Sacred Heart

Secretaries: Cathy Dessailly, Michelle Rodrigues Religious Ed. Coordinator: Michelle Peres

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.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Communion to the Sick

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**

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# Schools

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# Youth Ministry Youth Minister Mel Perpose......melperpose@gmail.com Young Adults for Christ Racine Senining.....stmyac@gmail.com

Parish Groups	
Parish Council	
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

#### Jesus is Real

In the Gospel reading for the 5th Sunday of Lent, we read that Jesus met Mary and Martha, who are mourning the death of their brother Lazarus, and they openly rebuke him: "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." This is a familiar refrain in our hearts when confronted with irreconcilable events and sufferings in the world. We echo our disappointment even more as our suffering grows closer to us. We have often consciously commented: "If God is real, these tragedies would not exist."

What we learn from Mary and Martha is that, they had a strong faith in Jesus, even in their grief. They experience a very personal Jesus who mourns their suffering. Jesus becomes visibly "perturbed and troubled" and then weeps at the sight of the mourning friends and family of His friend.

Like Mary and Martha's experiences, we are reminded that before and after us, in our midst and on the sidelines of life, we do not have a distant and imperious God. This Gospel passage reveals God as personal, as friends and family. We should feel confident that Jesus also weeps for us in our mourning, in our fallen state, and in our fallen world. Pope Francis reminds us that, as children of God, we must also weep at the suffering and mourning of others and do what we can to ease it, especially when it seems most senseless.

After he weeps, Jesus calls Lazarus out of the tomb. This was His last miracle, a sign of what will come for all of us who believe: weeping and mourning will cease, and we will come to everlasting life with the Lord. In our occasional lack of confidence and trust in God, let us come out of our tombs and consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us.

Our reflection is: Do we recognize the presence of Jesus, especially in the difficult times that we experience? What can we do to build our trust and faith in Jesus as the Savior in our journey through life?

Fr. Aegi Warsito SCJ

Mass Intentions for March 25 – April 1, 2023		
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Manuel Agrela requested
,	·	by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Caterina Palumbo
		requested by the family
	10:00	+Eliza Lewis requested by
	a.m.	the family
	11:30	Intentions of the Parish
	a.m.	Community
	8:00 p.m.	+Rebella, Lloyd, Barbara,
		Shirley Lowe, Michael
		Arends and Louisa Gilbert
		requested by Michael
		Lowe and the family
Monday	7:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving Jordan, Joshua and Jaden Rey
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Keith and
Tuesuay	7.50 a.iii.	Aaron Francis requested
		by family
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of Grace and
	7.00 p.iii.	Pius Agbonome requested
		by D. Williams
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Anastacia I. De Juan,
vvounooday	7.00 a	requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of St. Vincent
	7.00 p	De Paul Society requested
		by D. Williams
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Holy Souls in Purgatory
	7:00 p.m.	+Francisco and Isaura
		Lopez, requested by Vicky
		Rey
		+Michael Jones requested
		by the Francis family
		Intentions of Melissa and
		Carmen Muliett requested
		by Family
		+Amanding and Benito,
		requested by Grace
		Mantez
		+Brady Joseph Boland,
		requested by Nardina
		Grande
		Intentions of McCleod
		Robin requested by the
Friday:	7.20	family
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Ann McPherson,
	7:00 5 ~	requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Maria Luz. Ocampo,
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	requested by the family
Saturday	9.00 a.III.	+Antonina Sidoti,
		requested by Gabrielle Torres
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### Lenten Reconciliation (Confession)

Tuesday, March 28<sup>th</sup> – English at 7:30 pm Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup> – Spanish at 7:30 pm.

## This Weekend is ShareLife Sunday



### **ShareLife Sunday is March 26**

ShareLife Sunday marks the first collection for our parish's annual campaign. In the words of Cardinal Collins:

"Vulnerable members of our community are relying on you and me to ensure ongoing access to the care they so desperately need. This is why it's crucial we meet our parish campaign goal. Our goal can be met, but only if we each do our part."

Please use the ShareLife envelopes provided. If you choose to make your donation online please do so through our parish website or http://www.sharelife.org/donate

#### ACIES



The Legion of Mary Members invites all active, auxiliary and Junior Members to attend the Acies, an Annual Renewal of Consecration to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Date: Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.
Time: 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm
Location: St. Boniface Church

21 Markanna Drive Scarborough

#### **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 Oct 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.

Note: Only few spots are left.

#### St. Thomas More Charismatic Prayer Meeting

# "Come to me all you who are laboured and heavily burdened and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28

Join us for a spirit filled thanksgiving, praise and worship, and fellowship every Thursday night at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish hall. There will also be sharing of the Word, intercession, testimonies and individual prayer ministry.

**For details, contact**: Arthur and Sheela Taylor (416-528-5953)

# Sacramental Prep News Email: stmpsacraments@gmail.com



#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

 Please watch the bulletin for dates for the fall registration.

#### CONFIRMATION

 Please watch the bulletin for dates for the fall registration.

#### **R.C.I.A.** (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

 Please watch the bulletin for dates for the fall registration.

#### Prayers Needed for the Sick



Please join us in praying for the sick Keith Achut, 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, Mary Lavrisa, Don Lee, Jack Muir, Victoria Munson, Robert Hill, Noli Mababangloob, Suraj Mahwela, Lynette Nicholson-Phipps, Angelo Pagniello, Alba Parada, Denisse Ramirez, Brian and Evelyn Rozario, Silvia Ruscica, Olivia Lam, William Passanha, Lim Hong Kong, Suma Reddy, Theresa Tomaschek Sr., Jocelyn Villacorta, Glenn Whalen, Lina Vitello and Ellie Vitello. May they be supported by our prayers, our ministry and by God's grace.

#### Young Adults for Christ-Easter Lilies

Young Adults for Christ will be taking orders for Easter Lilies. Envelopes are available in the foyer of the church. These flowers, in memory of our deceased loved ones, will be part of the Altar display.

Two sizes are available: \$10.00 and \$20.00. Please support our Young Adults as they fundraise for their activities.

#### Stations of the Cross

On Friday evening, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament begins at 6:00 p.m., followed by the Stations of the Cross at 6:30 p.m.

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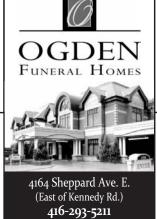
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