

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	Reston Senining	647-834-5546
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

Lisette.....stthomasmoreyouthgroup22@gmail.com

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Parish Council

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

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Our Goal in this Lenten Season

Lent is a time of repentance, a time to set aside the usual stuff of life in order to take stock of where we are and where we want to go. It is, therefore, no accident that Lent begins with a reflection on Jesus' time in the desert. In keeping with a central theme of his Gospel, Luke says that Jesus was filled with the Spirit and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness.

For Luke, the presence of the Spirit is the evidence that God is with Jesus and that Jesus is from God. It is the Spirit that allows Him to recognise the temptations of the devil for what they are, and it is the Spirit that guides Him in His rejection of the temptation. This is the same for His disciples; we, you and I, can only follow Jesus by an awareness of His Spirit within us. All our Lenten endeavours will be just a waste of time and effort if we are not guided by the Holy Spirit in what we do.

The Gospel for the first Sunday of Lent is always the story of the temptation of Jesus in the wilderness. It is intended to make us think not only about Jesus and His struggle but to help us realise that the history of God's people from Adam and Eve to the present day involves a similar story. The essence of the temptation of Jesus was the idea that He could go it alone, that He could be entirely self-sufficient.

Jesus resisted this because He recognised His complete dependence on the Father. He knew that He needed to be nourished by God's word and that His true destiny lay in His seeking to do His Father's will. When Satan succeeds in convincing us that we have it in our power to save ourselves then we are on the path to self-destruction. Lent is a time for us to humbly take God's hand and to walk the path of faith and love that leads to Easter.

So, what will we do during this Lenten season?
What is our goal in this Lenten season?

Fr. Aegidius SCJ

Mass Intentions for March 9 – 16, 2019

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Esperanza Cabrera, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Lolita Padilla, requested by L. Simon
	10:00 a.m.	+João Couto Rapozo, requested by the staff
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Perfecto Sr. Abad, requested by the family
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+João Batista Rapozo, requested by S. McPherson
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving, Louisa Cobrana
	7:00 p.m.	+Tom Biordi, requested by the Gonsalves family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of the Mulvenna family
	7:00 p.m.	+Amante Abad, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Hernani & Emilio Yambot, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Souls in purgatory, requested by M. Palumbo
		+Philomena D'Souza, requested by the family
		In thanksgiving, Walter Sebastian
Friday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Katie Karabova
	7:00 p.m.	+Dolfredo Pinto, requested by the family
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Deceased members of the Goodridge family, requested by the Kovacs family

Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, March 24 after all morning Masses



The Youth Group will be having their annual Pancake Breakfast on Sun., Mar. 24th after all morning Masses! Enjoy some pancakes, bacon, coffee, tea and juice. Come out and support our young people.

Parish Lenten Retreat

Saturday, March 30 at 9:30 a.m.



Our Priests of the Sacred Heart will lead a Parish Lenten

Retreat Day, entitled *"They Will be Done"* on Sat., Mar. 30 beginning at 9:30 a.m. and ending with Mass at 5:00 p.m. Tickets for lunch (\$5.00) are available at the parish office and after the weekend Masses.

Please, Do Not Bring Food to Mass



No food or drink

We have noticed that some people bring food and drinks into the church during Mass time. These items should be consumed before coming to church. Thank you for your attention to this matter!

Seniors' Mass & Luncheon

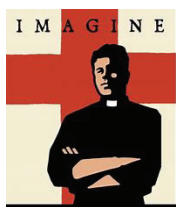
Wednesday, March 13, 2019



On Wed., Mar. 13 we are celebrating our monthly Senior's Mass beginning at 11:00 a.m. followed by a luncheon in the parish hall. All seniors are most

welcome!

Is God Calling You?



Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the life-commitment God has prepared for you? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Chris, at 416-968-0997 or at vocations@archtoronto.org.

Caregiver is Needed

A family is looking for a caregiver for an elderly lady. For more information, please call Theresa at 416-865-7789 ext. 5137.

Stations of the Cross

Fridays at 6:20 p.m. during Lent



STATIONS of the CROSS

During Lent the Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday beginning at 6:20 p.m. after the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament which begins at 6:00 p.m. Mass follows at 7:00 p.m.

Prayers Needed for the Sick



We are praying for the sick of our parish: Thivian Manoharan, Albert Vella, Phyllis & Antonio Cogliano, Joanna Alexander, Gerald Molloy, Denise Simone, Audrey Caulfield, John Ochangco, Christina & Ilyana Partheepan, Ofelia Lim, Catalino Bicos and Hanna Hadden. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

Bereavement Support Group



St. Patrick's Parish (5633 Hwy. 7, Markham) will hold weekly meetings beginning Mon., Mar. 25 until Mon., May 27 to support adults as they grieve. To register, visit their website at: www.stpatrick.on.ca or call 905-294-5955.

St. Anthony's Bread



On Tuesdays we hold a devotion to St. Anthony with a traditional blessing of bread and distribution of the same. Any offering of bread (not pastries) is most welcome which will then be distributed by the altar servers after Mass in the foyer.

The prophet Joel points to the fact that "works" of penance, if not related to that inner conversion to God in love, are worthless. (JL. 2.12-18)

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