## St. Thomas More Parish 1 Dormington Drive (2234 Ellesmere Road), Scarborough, ON M1G 3M9

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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.

l	_iturgical 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	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
	<u>Schools</u>	
St. Thomas More Elementary Schoo	l 2300 Ellesmere Road	416-393-5322
St. Edmund Campion Elementary So		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	
Drusillastthomasmoreyo	uthgroup22@gmail.com
Young Adults for Christ	
Racine Senining	<u>stmyac@gmail.com</u>
Parish Groups	
Parish Council	
Mike Carolan	
Finance Council	
Alan King	
Screening Committee	
Claudine Goller	
St. Vincent de Paul Society	
Martel Gordon-Tennant	416-439-7827

#### The Lord's Ascension

Jesus went back to where He belongs. He is the Eternal Son who came from heaven to reconcile us with the Father, now He is seated forever at God's right hand. The Ascension of the Lord is a mystery witnessed by his apostles who have seen Him after His resurrection. In fact, during forty days He appeared to them in a glorious state; revealed to them His victory over death and promised to accompany them until the end of time.

Jesus' ascension is by no means a desertion; rather, it is just a different way of being present in his disciple's life. He asked them to wait for the Holy Spirit whom He would send as the Consoler. Now, it is their time to give witness to Jesus and continue His mission in the world. As the Lord was being taken to heaven, He commissioned his disciples to go and make disciples, to baptize them and to proclaim the good news to every nation.

In the second reading, Paul says to the Ephesians that the Church is the body of Christ and He is our head. We are entrusted with the same task of the apostles, to announce the Gospel to everyone. He also expects us to live according to his words, so that our deeds will manifest his great power. It is not time to keep "looking towards heaven" as waiting for things to happen magically. We are called to dedicate ourselves for the construction of God's kingdom among us. One day Jesus will come back the same way they saw Him ascending. So let us faithfully await as if everything depended on God and diligently work as if everything depended on us.

Fr. Will SCJ

## More than ever I find myself in the hands of God. This is what I have wanted all my life.

Mass Intentions for May 12-19, 2018			
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Rita Benedict,	
		requested by the family	
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+James Murphy,	
		requested by S,	
		McPherson	
	10:00 a.m.	+Victorine Stanislaus,	
		requested by the family	
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish	
		community	
	8:00 p.m.	+Rita Biordi, requested	
		by the family	
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Angelina Alithon,	
		requested by L. Nelson	
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Salvador Respall,	
		requested by the family	
	7:00 p.m.	+Maria D"Souza,	
		requested by the family	
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Chiu Ming (Norman)	
,		Pong, requested by J.	
		J.Strachan & family	
	7:00 p.m.	+Oscar Abad,	
		requested by the family	
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Dominic John,	
		requested by John &	
		family	
	7:00 p.m.	+Ida Innasipillai,	
		requested by Ignatius	
		+Gracie F. D'Cruz,	
		requested by the family	
		+Giuseppe & Giovanna	
		Cataudella, requested	
		by the family	
		+George & Nicole Habr	
		requested by the family	
		+Cyriaco Lobo,	
		requested by M.	
		Thomas & family	
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Olga Camara,	
		requested by the family	
	7:00 p.m.	+John Finney,	
		requested by the family	
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Intentions of Rodel &	
		Emelina Torres,	
		requested by John	
		Ochangco	

#### Thank you for the days when things are rough – to teach us patience. Comfort us when we are disturbed; disturb us when we become too comfortable.

#### ShareLife 2018



#### Living the Gospel by supporting mental health wellness

In 2016, over 2,000 people accessed individual, couple and family counselling at Catholic

Family Services of Peel-Dufferin, a ShareLife funded agency. Often, clients sought help to address depression. Given that depression has replaced back injury as the number one reason for absenteeism at work, these services are helping clients maintain employment and stay out of poverty. By supporting ShareLife agencies like CFS Peel-Dufferin, you're helping people find health and happiness.

To-date we have collected \$41,190.41 for ShareLife. Thank you for your generosity!

May 27 is the next ShareLife Sunday. Please give generously.

#### Bundle Up for St. Vincent de Paul!

May 26 / 27 weekend



Bring your gently used clothing, shoes, linen and household goods to share with others on the

weekend of May 26/27. A St. Vincent de Paul truck will be in the church parking lot so please share what you can with those less fortunate. We will donate or sell those donations to support our outreach efforts. Thank you for your continued support!

#### Is God Calling You?



Before the Ascension, Jesus tells His Apostles not to leave Jerusalem – to wait to pray for the Holy Spirit to show them God's will for their future. Where is the Holy Spirit leading you? If you feel

that you are being led to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Chris Lemieux at 416-968-0997 or at <u>vocations@archtoronto.org</u>.

# Call for Conscience 2018 – An invitation from Cardinal Collins

Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, recently issued a call to action in advance of the June 7<sup>th</sup> provincial election to promote palliative care, conscience rights and the protection of faith-based facilities. His Eminence has asked Catholics to visit

canadiansforconscience.ca/Ontario to send a letter directly to all candidates in their riding for the June 7<sup>th</sup> election. A pre-written letter is provided which people can amend as they choose. If you would like to receive the Cardinal's emails in the future, please visit bit.ly/archtosignup. Thank you for advocating on these important issues.



#### Prayers Needed for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Lee Cummings, Christopher Sivaratnam, Basil Benedict, Catalino Bicos, Minerva Manalo, Yvonne Rampersad, Phyllis Cogliano, Steve Goller, Esteban Badian, Lisa Andrade, Paul Dante Rodriguez, Leny Obcena, Daphne Chater, Albert Vella, Sierra Schaefer, James Dizon, Stefanie Alberto and Innes Potgieter. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.



#### 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Thomas More School Saturday, May 12 at 12:00 noon

St. Thomas More School invites

everyone to their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass next Sat., May 12 at 12:00 noon in our church. Festivities will continue at the school afterwards. Come and celebrate this milestone and renew friendships of years gone by!

#### Francis Libermann Catholic High School's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Sunday, June 3, 2018 at 1:00 p.m.

Former alumni, staff and community members are invited to attend the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass and Celebration of Francis Libermann C. H. S. on Sun., Jun. 3 beginning at 1:00 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at: <u>https://goo.gl/UsYabt</u> or on *Eventbrite*.

