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# St. Thomas More Parish

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#### **Parish Staff**

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Priests of the Sacred Heart

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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. 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	Ven Faundo	416-299-4404
Eucharistic Ministers	Felipe and Grace Mantes	416-759-2335
Music Ministry	Donald Torres	647-449-6583
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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 Drive	416-393-5356
St. John Paul II Secondary School	685 Military Trail	416-393-5531

# Youth Ministry Youth Group Drusilla Lobo.....drusilla17lobo@hotmail.com Young Adults for Christ Andy Rodrigues .....stmyac@gmail.com

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#### They Washed Their Robes in the Blood of the Lamb

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of All Saints. This is a special occasion for the Pilgrim Church on Earth to unite herself to the Triumphant Church of Heaven. In fact, this mystery of the Communion of Saints takes place at every Holy Mass. In the Liturgy we are elevated to heaven and heaven is brought down to us; a real exchange of grace. As we honour those who gave witness to the Gospel by a righteous life and are now in the glory of God, we also renew our vocation to sainthood. All baptized are called to seek holiness and become an example of faith and love in the world.

In the Book of Revelation, St. John says he has seen a "great multitude" of faithful who have washed their robes in the Blood of the Lamb. It is Jesus who purifies us through His self-giving. Therefore, sainthood is primarily a gift from the Risen Lord who has saved us through His death and resurrection. Yet, it is up to us to open ourselves and work on our daily conversion. This way we will pass from a sinful life to the promise of being called blessed. The beatitudes in today's Gospel are the program that Jesus offers us to fulfill this vocation to holiness; blessed are the poor in spirit, the meek, the peacemaker, the merciful... blessed are those who mourn, who thirst for justice and are persecuted, they will inherit the Kingdom of God.

We Christians are aware of our weakness. By seeking sainthood, we do not deny our feeble condition. However, we strive to live what we pray and profess, believing that the Lord is able to mould us into His image and likeness. Even if we make mistakes, we are still invited to come forward and experience the infinite mercy of God. Therefore, we are holy and sinners! As Pope Francis says: "The Church of Christ is made of righteous and holy who acknowledge that they are poor and sinners." Happy All Saints Day!

Fr. Will, SCJ

Mass Inte	ntions for	Oct. 31- Nov. 7, 2015	
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Jillianne Gabriel,	
		requested by Y. & R.	
		Gabriel	
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Mr. & Mrs. Paul,	
		requested by the James	
	40.00	family	
	10:00 a.m.	+Thevamary Arokiam,	
	11:30 a.m.	m. Intentions of the parish community	
	11.30 a.iii.		
	8:00 p.m.	+Mr. & Mrs. Peters,	
	0.00 p	requested by the James	
		family	
Monday	7:30 a.m.	All Souls Day	
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	a.m. +The deceased from the	
		Book of Remembrance	
	7:00 p.m.	+Deceased members of	
		the former C.W.L./C.W.G.	
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+The deceased from the	
		Book of Remembrance	
	7:00 p.m.	+Oscar & Conchita	
		Mabras, requested by J.	
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	m. +The deceased from the	
Thursday	Book of Remembrar		
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of Isaura	
	7.00 p.m.	Ramirez & Luz Gracia	
		+Rosario Mutuc, requested	
		by the family	
		+Rustico Vilela, requested	
		by the family	
		+Joseph Sabastian,	
		requested by M. Joseph	
Book of Remem		+The deceased from the	
		Book of Remembrance	
	7:00 p.m.	+Zvone & Katarina Elsner,	
	requested by the fami		
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+The deceased from the	
		Book of Remembrance	

#### Attendance Count

The Archdiocese had requested that all parishes perform an attendance count at Masses over the past two weekends. The following are the results with comparitive totals for 2014.

Mass day & time	2014	2015
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	428	350
Sunday 8:30 a.m.	336	335
Sunday 10:00 a.m.	574	530
Sunday 11:30 a.m.	589	671
Sunday 2:00 p.m.	325	359
Sunday 8:00 p.m.	349	458
Totals	2601	2703

#### Family of Faith



Let us pray for the success of the campaign, both in our parish and throughout the Archdiocese.

Heavenly Father, we ask You to be with us as we work together as a family of faith, sharing and following the example of Your Son, Jesus, in loving service. May we be inspired by Your divine love, as we share our time, talent and treasure to strengthen our family of faith. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### 2016 Missals Available



Missals for the 2016 Liturgical Year will be available after all Masses over the next two weekends, November 7 / 8 and 14 / 15 at a cost of \$5.00 each.

#### **Catholic Family Service of Toronto**



The professional counselling staff at CFS offers Walk-In services to clients who have an urgent need to speak with

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- 1. Choose to call one of our branches at 416-921-1163 (central) or 416-222-0048 (north) and book a single-session appointment OR
- 2. Drop-in at the north office on Thursdays between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

For additional information on the range of their services, please visit their website at: www.cfstoronto.com.

#### **First Friday Adoration**

Friday, November 6, 2015



There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Fri., Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. (after the 7:30 a.m. Mass) to 6:30 p.m. (before the 7:00 p.m. Mass). Please come

and spend some time in adoration.

#### Praying for the Sick



We are praying for the sick of our parish: Esperanza Cabrera, Hanna Turik, Angela Sanchez-Figueroa, Rita

Croft, Henry Sharp, Mary Anderson, Tilly Graham, Thikaya Parfaite, Marlene Murphy and Lorenzo Nunez. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry by the grace of God.

#### **Banns for Ordination**

Sunday, November 29, 2015



Mr. Thomas Michael Kluger is to be ordained to the Diaconate for the Archdiocese of Toronto on Sun., Nov. 29, 2015 at St. Patrick's Parish, Markham. Please remember him in your prayers. Canon Law obliges to

reveal any impediment to sacred orders to the bishop or pastor.

#### "Witness to History"

Tuesday, November 10, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Scarboro Missions (2685 Kingston Road) is presenting a short documentary film: "Political, Polish Jew: The Story of Pinchas Gutter" on Tues., Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Following the screening Pinchas will speak about his personal experiences during the Holocaust and will be available to answer questions. Admission is free.

#### **Food for Thought**

#### Keep your lamp burning



What we need is to love without getting tired. How does a lamp burn? Through the continuous input of small drops of oil. What are these drops of oil in our

lamps? They are the small things of daily life: faithfulness, small words of kindness, a thought for others, our way of being silent, of looking, of speaking and of acting. Do not look for Jesus away from yourselves. He is not out there; He is in you. Keep your lamps burning and you will recognize Him. *Mother Theresa* (1910-97)





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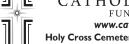


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