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 |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| 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 Minister

Silvio Escobar......silvio.escobar@live.com

Youth Group

Lissette.....<u>stthomasmoreyouthgroup22@gmail.com</u>

Young Adults for Christ

Racine Senining.....<u>stmyac@gmail.com</u>

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 |

Shepherd Leadership

Early in his papacy, Pope Francis used a striking image to describe the kind of leadership priests should exercise in their faith communities. He urged them to be shepherds marked by "the smell of the sheep". A similar image appears in today's first reading, where God names King David as the "shepherd of my people Israel." The reading from Colossians describes the supreme authority of Christ over all things. Yet throughout his earthly ministry Jesus modelled servant leadership, which we could also call "shepherd leadership".

The daily news often shows a different style of leadership, characterized by arrogance, greed, hunger for power and a disregard for common good. The kind of leadership suggested in today's readings, by contrast, is marked by service, humility and compassion. As the taunting onlookers in the Gospel scene mock the kingship of Jesus, we get a glimpse into the heart of true leadership. In the interaction between the crucified Jesus and the "good thief," we see an example of a humble petitioner – "Jesus remember me..." – receiving not judgement but forgiveness: "Today, you will be with me in Paradise."

Today we see the grace to practice and to encourage, through our prayers and our actions, the kind of shepherd leadership modelled by Jesus.

Krystyna Higgins, Guelph, Ontario Excerpted from Living With Christ

| Mass Intentions for November 23 - 30, 2019 | | | |
|---|------------|--------------------------|--|
| | 5:00 p.m. | +Gabriel & Francis | |
| Saturday | 5.00 p.m. | | |
| | | Andreas and | |
| | | Geethafongalan, | |
| | | requested by the Louis | |
| 0 1 | 0.00 | family | |
| Sunday | 8:30 a.m. | +The deceased of the | |
| | 10.00 | Book of Remembrance | |
| | 10:00 a.m. | +Rita & Tom Biordi, | |
| | | requested by the family | |
| | 11:30 a.m. | Intentions of the parish | |
| | | community | |
| | 8:00 p.m. | +Deceased members of | |
| | | the Aranez & David | |
| | | families, requested by | |
| | | the families | |
| Monday | 7:30 a.m. | +The deceased of the | |
| | | Book of Remembrance | |
| Tuesday | 7:30 a.m. | +The deceased of the | |
| | | Book of Remembrance | |
| | 7:00 p.m. | +Thelma Barcelona, | |
| | | Cristina Venus & | |
| | | Eduardo Estomaquio, | |
| | | requested by I. Venus | |
| Wednesday | 7:30 a.m. | +The deceased of the | |
| | | Book of Remembrance | |
| | 7:00 p.m. | +Daniel & Judith Lorza, | |
| | | requested by V. Rey | |
| Thursday | 7:30 a.m. | +The deceased of the | |
| | | Book of Remembrance | |
| | 7:00 p.m. | +Doris Gordon-Tennant, | |
| | | requested by the family | |
| | | +Deceased members of | |
| | | the Prayer Group | |
| | | +Gaudencio & Juanita | |
| | | Silva, requested by W. | |
| | | Silva | |
| | | In thanksgiving, Stephen | |
| | | Correia | |
| | | +Dante Gozun, | |
| | | requested by the family | |
| Friday | 7:30 a.m. | +The deceased of the | |
| | | Book of Remembrance | |
| | 7:00 p.m. | +Hanna Hadden, | |
| | | requested by the | |
| | | Bertazzon family | |
| Saturday | 9:00 a.m. | +The deceased of the | |
| | | Book of Remembrance | |
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Advent Confessions

Wednesday, December 18 at 7:30 p.m.

A Reconciliation Service will be held on Wed., Dec. 18 at 7:30 p.m. Several priests will be on hand to help with the many confessions.

Angel Tree

Weekends of Nov. 23/24 and Nov. 30/Dec. 1



The Angel Tree will be set up this year on the weekends of Nov. 23/24 and Nov. 30/Dec. 1. The age and sex of each child is indicated on each "angel". You are encouraged to take one "angel" and

purchase an appropriate gift (worth \$20), wrap it and securely attach the "angel" to the wrapped gift. We are also asking for donations of boxes of chocolates, cookies or candies. Be sure to bring the gifts before Sun., Dec. 8th so that your "angel" will not be disappointed when the gifts are distributed.

YAC Poinsettias Fundraiser

Weekend of Nov. 30/Dec.1 & Dec. 7/8



Our Young Adults for Christ will be taking orders for poinsettias the weekend, Nov. 30/Dec.1 & Dec. 7/8, after all Masses. These poinsettias, in memory of our

deceased loved ones, will be part of the Christmas altar display. Two sizes are available to order at a cost of \$10.00 and \$20.00. Please support them as they fundraise for their activities.

Advent Retreat Day

Saturday, December 14 at 9:30 a.m.

Our Priests of the Sacred Heart will lead our Parish Advent Retreat, entitled "A Gift for the Lord", on Sat., Dec. 14 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. so that we can prepare ourselves to celebrate the Birth of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Please save time during your busy Christmas preparations to attend.

Prayers Needed for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish:
Mikayla Hafwell, Bashir McDoom, Phyllis &
Anthony Cogliano, Tom Shaw, Graeme
Caulfield, Lynne Green and Dominic Fernandes.
May they be supported by our prayers and
pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

Sacramental Prep News

CONFIRMATION

Parents and sponsors are invited and candidates are required to attend the RITE OF ENROLMENT

on

Sunday, December 8, 2019 at the 11:30 a.m. Mass. The Rite of Enrolment is the formal commitment by each candidate to declare their desire to be confirmed in the Catholic Church. A signed commitment is handed to the Celebrant, as witnessed by the faith community, with the support of their sponsors and parents. This is one of the requirements for Confirmation.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Candidates attending **PUBLIC SCHOOL** *only* No class on November 30, 2019; resumes on December 7, 2019

<u>ECFL – Early Catholic Family Life Program to</u> resume soon!

- Offers hands-on fun activities, interactive sessions and discussions among parents, and between parents and children
- Parents/grandparents of infants and pre-school children are invited to join or to drop-in on Sundays from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- To join or for other details, contact ECFL Team askstmp2016@gmail.com or call 647-299-2189.

Is Jesus calling you? Would you give your life for him?



The Church is blessed with a rich diversity of vocations; all of them are born from God as He calls us to participate in His work of redemption. If you are thinking about God's call and trying to find purpose for your life, we are here to help you. Maybe He is inviting you to be a priest, a religious brother or sister, to

serve the Church with love and generosity.

Come and talk to us! We will help you discern your vocation.

Contact: Fr. Willyans Prado Rapozo, SCJ (Priests of the Sacred Heart Vocation director)



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