

# St. Thomas More Parish

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## Parish Staff

**Pastor:** Rev. Aegidius Warsito SCJ

**Associate Pastors:** Rev. Martin Kadamattu SCJ, Rev. Antonio Resende Pereira 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.

## Liturgical 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

## 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 Minister

Silvio Escobar.....[silvio.escobar@live.com](mailto:silvio.escobar@live.com)

### Youth Group

Lisette.....[stthomasmoreyouthgroup22@gmail.com](mailto:stthomasmoreyouthgroup22@gmail.com)

### Young Adults for Christ

Racine Senining.....[stmyac@gmail.com](mailto:stmyac@gmail.com)

## Parish Groups

### 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

## Death is Followed by Rising

In this week's Gospel, Jesus reminds His disciples to learn the lesson of the fig tree, that summer will follow new leaves. He asks us to also be attentive to the end of things. At the close of the Church year, we practise being attentive to the ends of things: suffering, darkness and things falling apart.

Jesus promised that when we see darkness and destruction, suffering and pain, "he is near, at the very gates." Ironically, in the most difficult times of our lives, many of us are more likely to feel alone and distanced from God. It is easy to see summer coming after the spring, and harder to recognize the winter as the birthplace of spring. Jesus is inviting His disciples, and us, to remember that He draws near now, in the messiness of our world.

The central mystery of our faith is that death is followed by rising. God brings new life from ashes, sends a baby to save the world, dies to death when He walks out of the tomb. No matter how messy life has become, God invites us to be the people who pay attention, who wait for and expect new life.

May our hearts turn with gratitude toward God in the midst of struggle, hoping to see what gifts He will bring out of the difficulty.

*Leah Perrault, Saskatoon, SK  
Excerpted from Living With Christ*



## Mass Intentions for November 17 - 24, 2018

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Ida Innasipillai, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+The deceased of the Book of Remembrance
	10:00 a.m.	Intentions of Mesaaba Correia
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	In thanksgiving, Farrah Anne Marquez
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.	+Epifania Cagulada, requested by the family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+The deceased of the Book of Remembrance
	7:00 p.m.	+Juan C. Miel, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+The deceased of the Book of Remembrance
	7:00 p.m.	+Deceased members of Lue Sue, Patel, Alexis and Joseph families
		+Mary Magdelene Nariathan, requested by the family
		+Victor Philip, requested by the family
+Deceased members of the Neaves & Marin families		
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+The deceased of the Book of Remembrance
	7:00 p.m.	In thanksgiving to St. Vincent de Paul, requested by Rena Enrera
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+The deceased of the Book of Remembrance

## Book of Remembrance

The Book of Remembrance is at the front of the church and you are invited to record the names of deceased relatives, friends and parishioners in the Book.

## Christmas Cakes

Weekend of November 17 / 18



Christmas cakes provided by the monks of Val Notre-Dame Abbey in Quebec will be available for sale this weekend, Nov. 17 / 18. The bar cakes (600 gr.) sell for \$20.00, the larger deluxe cake (1 kg.) is \$27.00, the sweet gift basket (chocolate bar, 6 filled chocolates, Trappist Berry Preserves and 4 pieces of fudge) is \$30.00 and the savory gift basket (new) (jars of red pepper jelly, olive spread, maple syrup mustard, fruit spread and 10 chocolate mice) is \$30.00. All proceeds go to Campaign Life Coalition, the pro-life movement.

## The Angel Tree

November 24/25 and December 1/2 weekends



The Angel Tree will be set up this year on Nov. 24/25 and Dec. 1/2 weekends. 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. 9<sup>th</sup> so that your "angel" will not be disappointed when the gifts are distributed.

## Parish Advent Retreat

Saturday, December 15, 2018 at 9:30 a.m.



Our Priests of the Sacred Heart will lead the first Parish Advent Retreat, entitled "A Light for All Nations", on Sat.,

Dec. 15 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. Tickets for \$5.00 each (for lunch) will be sold at the parish office (during office hours) or after all Masses this and every weekend until the Retreat.

## Poinsettias For Sale

November 24/25 and December 1/2



Our Young Adults for Christ will be taking orders for poinsettias during the next two weekends, Nov. 24/25 and Dec. 1/2, after all Masses. These poinsettias, in memory of our deceased loved ones, will be part of the Christmas altar display. Two sizes will be available to order at a cost of \$10.00 and \$20.00. Please support them as they fundraise for their activities.

## Is God Calling You?

If we dare to trust God with our lives, great things happen. Dedicate your life to furthering the reign of God. If you think that God is calling you to serve Him as a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux at 416-968-0997 or at [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org).

## Prayers Needed for the Sick



We are praying for the sick of our parish: Rosa Maria Santos, Hanna Hadden, Denise Simone, Ophelia Lim, Gerald Molloy, John Ochangco, Caj Gonsalves, Lourдина Rodrigues, Charlotte T. Thomas, Daphne Chater, Phyllis Cogliano and Albert Vella. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

## Advent Confessions

Wednesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.



In preparation for the celebration of the Birth of Christ, a Reconciliation Service will be held on Wed., Dec. 19 at 7:30 p.m. Several priests will be on hand to help with the many confessions.

## The Little Things (A Meditation)

We must not grow weary of doing the little things for the love of God, who looks not on the great size of the work, but on the love in it.

*Brother Lawrence (1614-91)*



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