

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	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	Aduino Bertazzon	416-438-0507
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.....youth.stmyg@yahoo.ca

Young Adults for Christ

Andy Rodriguesstmyac@gmail.com

Parish Groups

Parish Council

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

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Awake From Sleep

Sometimes we get discouraged and tired in our daily lives. That happens when our plans fail or when we think our prayers have not been answered. These frustrations may lead people to give up and even doubt God's love. However, in this season of Advent, Jesus renews our hope and faith. He is coming to bring us peace and joy and we are called to prepare our hearts for this great day. Today we begin a new time in the Church: a new Liturgical Year. In the words of St. Paul, it is time to "wake up from sleep for our salvation is nearer".

Last August in Krakow, Poland, Pope Francis challenged the youth to "get off the couch" and work together for the transformation of the world. He wants all people of faith and good will to join their efforts to change the reality of selfishness and sin into solidarity and love. This new world will come true if everyone is involved, considered and committed to justice. Nobody can stay asleep!

In the Gospel, a similar invitation was made by Jesus to His disciples. He asked them to keep vigilant for they do not know the day or the hour when the Son of Man will come. He uses Noah's story as an example: the flood came when people did not expect it. They perished because they did not listen to Noah and were not ready when the storms began. So Advent is a time to listen to God's word in the community and be vigilant together. It is about regaining hope, strengthening faith and getting engaged in actions of love. Let us awake from sleep and be ready to welcome him. Gathered in the community we will enjoy the grace of His presence.

Fr. Will, SCJ

Mass Intentions for Nov. 26 – Dec. 3, 2016

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Henry & Winifred Collins, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+The deceased from the Book of Remembrance
	10:00 a.m.	+Francis & Sophia Pinto, requested by the family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Deceased members of the Legion of Mary, requested by the Legion of Mary
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+The deceased from the Book of Remembrance
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+The deceased from the Book of Remembrance
	7:00 p.m.	+Demerise Le Bouthillier & Edna Lazo, requested by M. Ciuffreda
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+The deceased from the Book of Remembrance
	7:00 p.m.	+Custodio Rodrigues, requested the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Jeanne Ndake, Itoua Martin, Moussa Mariane, Otselet Bony & Avoukou Emmanuel
	7:00 p.m.	+John Kennedy, requested by the Knox family
		Intentions of Jorden Bonshiel
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Rosa & Ramon Chua, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of the sick
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Andrew Gendron, requested by the Beaune family

Angel Tree

November 26/27 and December 3/4



The Angel Tree will be set up again this year on Nov. 26/27 and Dec. 3/4 weekends. The age and sex of each child is indicated on each "angel". You are encouraged to take one

"angel: and purchase an age-appropriate gift (worth \$15), 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 Sunday, Dec. 11th so that your "angel" will not be disappointed when the gifts are distributed.

Advent Retreat for Young Adults

Saturday, December 10th at 9:30 a.m.

"Do You Hear What I Hear?" is the theme for an Advent Retreat to be held for young adults in the parish facilitated by the Priests of the Sacred Heart on Sat., Dec. 10th from 9:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The Retreat includes talks, praise & worship, confession, Eucharistic Adoration and Mass. Please register at stmyac@gmail.com or youth.stmyg@yahoo.ca or call 416-439-1545.

Euthanasia/Assisted Suicide

Now that Canada has legalized assisted suicide/euthanasia, did you know that doctors in Ontario are forced to provide direct referrals for patients seeking to end their lives? Doctors who object to helping to kill their patients see a direct referral as being an accomplice to assisted suicide. No foreign jurisdiction in the world that has legalized euthanasia/assisted suicide has forced health care workers or facilities to act against their conscience. Other provinces in Canada have adopted protocols to protect doctors and institutions. Visit www.canadiansforconscience.ca to learn more.

First Sunday of Advent

"They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks." If God is calling you to ministerial service, contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Poinsettias For Sale

November 26/27 and December 3/4



Our Young Adults for Christ will be taking orders for poinsettias during this and next weekend, Nov. 26/27 and Dec. 3/4, 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.

Advent Reflection

Wednesdays on Nov. 30 and Dec. 7 at 7:30 p.m.



During the season of Advent our parish will hold a presentation on two evenings, Wed., Nov. 30th and Wed., Dec. 7th at 7:30 p.m. with a speaker from the

Office of Formation for Discipleship, Connie Price, M.Div., Ph.D. This is a wonderful opportunity to prepare ourselves spiritually for the feast of the Nativity of Our Lord.

First Friday Adoration

Friday, December 2, 2016



There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Fri., Dec. 2nd from 8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Please come and spend some time in adoration

Praying for the Sick



We are praying for the sick of our parish: Yvonne Rampersaud, Phyllis Cogliano, Albert Vella, Giovana Scala, Ann Fernandes, Mickey Gordon, Rita Croft, Henry Sharp and John Da Silva. May

they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry by the grace of God.



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