

# St. Thomas More Parish

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## Parish Staff

**Pastor:** Rev. Willyans Rapozo SCJ

**Associate Pastors:** Rev. Aegidius Warsito SCJ, Rev. Benedito Machado 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.

**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.....[drusilla17lobo@hotmail.com](mailto:drusilla17lobo@hotmail.com)

### Young Adults for Christ

Andy Rodrigues .....[stmyac@gmail.com](mailto:stmyac@gmail.com)

## Parish Groups

### Parish Council

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

### Finance Council

Alan King.....416-439-1545

### Screening Committee

Claudine Goller.....416-289-0307

### St. Vincent de Paul Society

Martel Gordon-Tennant.....416-439-7827

## Generosity Brings Hope

Canada is known for its great generosity to the needy. In many situations of hunger, war and natural tragedies Canadian people are present to support nations in despair. For Christians, this response of generosity is not only based on humanitarian compassion but is deeply rooted in the Gospel. It reveals our very identity as sons and daughters of God, the Creator of the universe, who abundantly blesses all His children. Therefore, when we share our goods with those who are less fortunate, we do so in the name of the Lord. By serving them, we are serving the Lord!

The Psalm of this Sunday's liturgy says: "It is the Lord who gives food to the hungry"! So God works through us as we open our hearts to our suffering brothers and sisters. Look at the widow of the First Reading; she shared her last resources with Elijah and thanks to her generosity God multiplied her gifts. She was expecting death, together with her son; but Elijah brought them good news that the Lord would not forsake them. Generosity always brings hope and new opportunities!

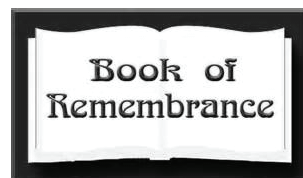
Another widow appears in the Gospel. Out of her poverty, she dropped two coins in the treasury of the temple and that was all she had. A small offering given with great love! Jesus compared her donation to the large amount given by the Pharisees out of their wealth. Surely the offering that pleases God is the one given with love, faith and gratitude. Today we ask the Lord to accept our gift of love. May it help us to be generous and build a world of justice and peace for all.

*Fr. Will, SCJ*

## Mass Intentions for November 7-14, 2015

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Caroline Nascimento, requested by her husband
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+The deceased from the Book of Remembrance
	10:00 a.m.	+Rannison Frank, requested by the family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Florencio Bonife, requested by the family
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.	Intentions of Raymond Francis
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+The deceased from the Book of Remembrance
	7:00 p.m.	+Mary M <sup>c</sup> Pherson & Yusuf Patel, requested by the families
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+The deceased from the Book of Remembrance
	7:00 p.m.	+Soosaimuthu Gnanapragasam, requested by the family +Jaime Tobon, requested by the family +Abel Corral, requested by the family +Joseph Sebastian, requested by M. Joseph
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+The deceased from the Book of Remembrance
	7:00 p.m.	+Alex Reyes, requested by the Asuncion family
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+The deceased from the Book of Remembrance

## Book of Remembrance



During the month of November we dedicate more attention to prayer for our deceased brothers and sisters. We have placed the Book of Remembrance at the front of the church (three locations) and you are invited to record the names of deceased relatives, friends and parishioners in the Book. Every day during the month of November the morning Mass will be celebrated for those whose names are in the Book.

## Family of Faith



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Our Family of Faith campaign is gaining momentum at St. Thomas More Parish. Through the efforts of

a wonderful group of volunteers, we have already reached 22% of our goal!

Parish Goal	Parish Share	Current Total
\$570,000	\$142,500	\$125,800

The Family of Faith campaign will support parishes and provide assistance in other areas too. Some parish communities face daunting expenditures to maintain facilities that are safe and meet current standards. Some parishes do not have the financial capacity to preserve their historic sacred spaces. Collectively we share the responsibility to ensure the proper care of these churches to continue for years to come.

We also want to ensure that our places of worship are accessible to those with special needs. In compliance with new government regulations requiring accessible entrances, washrooms and access to church halls and offices, many of our older buildings require extensive capital work to ensure the safety and comfort of parishioners and visitors.

We also want to continue the growth that has been happening in the Archdiocese of Toronto. Fourteen churches have been constructed and opened since 2000. Our growing *family of faith* means we expect this pattern continue. The cost of new churches continues to rise and this campaign will help to provide financing through the Archdiocese on a timely basis, allowing construction to begin earlier in the process.

Please continue to pray for the success of the campaign, both in our parish and throughout the Archdiocese.

## Poinsettias Sale

November 14 / 15 and 21 / 22



Our Young Adults for Christ will be taking orders of poinsettias over two weekends, Nov. 14 / 15 and 21 / 22.

These poinsettias, in memory of our deceased loved ones, will be part of the Christmas altar display. Different sizes will be available to order.

## Lighting Improvements



For the purpose of selection, a small number of LED lamps have been installed, as follows: southwest area in the church (10); south entrance (3); sacristy (4); parking lot (1). Based on test feedback we will purchase LED lamps for all lighting fixtures in the church, hall, rectory, offices, meeting rooms and exterior lights. This project, when complete, will reduce our electric utility charges and usage. The extra electrical capacity will benefit installation and operation of a cooling system for the summer months. Should you wish to give feedback, please contact our parish office and leave your comments and contact information.

## The Shepherds' Trust

Collection on November 14/15, 2015



As members of our Catholic community, we regularly benefit from the tireless service of our priests. Called by God and ordained to care for His people, our priests serve our families in churches, schools, hospitals, nursing homes, missions and on the streets. The Shepherds' Trust ensures our priests can live their retirement years with dignity.

The Shepherds' Trust collection will take place in all parishes in the Archdiocese during the weekend of November 14/15. Envelopes are available in the pews. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

## 2016 Missals Available

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

## Praying for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Reynaldo Mendoza, Esperanza Cabrera, Hanna Turik, Angela Sanchez-Figueroa, Rita Croft, Henry Sharp, Mary Anderson, Tilly Graham, Thikaya Parfaite and Marlene Murphy. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry by the grace of God.

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