# St. Thomas More Parish

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#### **Parish Staff**

Pastor: Rev. Willyans Rapozo SCJ Associate Pastor: Rev. Aegidius Warsito SCJ

Priests of the Sacred Heart

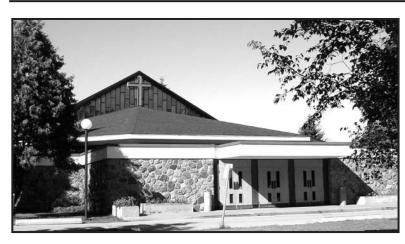
Secretaries: Josie Elsner, Suzy Correia Religious Ed. Coordinator: Gracie Nepomuceno

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

Mass Intentions for

Youth Ministry	
Youth Minister	
Silvio Escobar	silvio.escobar@live.com
Youth Group	
Drusilla Lobo	youth.stmyg@yahoo.ca
Young Adults for Christ	
Racine Senining	stmyac@gmail.com
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Mike Carolan	416-282-4750

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Screening Committee	
Claudine Goller	416-289-0307
St. Vincent de Paul Society	
Martel Gordon-Tennant	416-439-7827

## They Will Precede Us in the Kingdom of God

Life is an experience of continuous change. As we grow older we are exposed to new realities and challenges, which require from us new ways and solutions. At some point in life we come to realize that it is not possible to remain inflexible forever and that changing our mind may be a good option and sign of maturity.

The parable told by Jesus depicts a father who calls his two sons to work in his vineyard. One of them refused to go but later changed his mind and chose to help his father. The other son promised to go but did not fulfill his word. Jesus commends the first son's attitude who, though reluctant at first, humbly did his father's will in the end.

Likewise, says Jesus, the prostitutes and tax collectors who seek conversion will precede us in the Kingdom of God for they have heard the preaching of the prophets and changed their wrongdoings. On the other hand, the Pharisees who considered themselves holier and superior kept their obstinate intolerance towards sinners.

We should not be afraid of having our principles questioned. If we discover that some of them are no longer pertinent it is time to welcome new ideas. This way, our life will not be boring but creative and dynamic. Jesus' disciples are called to be constantly transformed and recreated by the Holy Spirit.

Fr. Willyans SCJ

September 30 – October 7, 2017			
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Godofredo, Severina, Rogelio, Ruben & Reynaldo Ocampo, requested by the family	
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+James Murphy, requested by B. & C. Long	
	10:00 a.m.	+Zora Cukjati, requested by M. & L. Cukjati	
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community	
	8:00 p.m.	+Frances Cotte, requested by the Colas family	
Monday	7:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, the Orr family	
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+John Johnston, requested by the family	
	7:00 p.m.	In thanksgiving, the Lopez & Santos families	
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Nemesio Chua Loga & Graham Biggar, requested by M. Biggar	
	7:00 p.m.	+Patricia Espener, requested by the family	
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Juan Bernal	
	7:00 p.m.	In thanksgiving, Hubert & Judy D'Mello	
		+Leon Solis, requested by the family	
		+Harmond De Juan & Cesar E. Ruano Jr., requested by the family	
		+May Ann Baluyos, requested by the Uy & De Guzman families	
Friday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Emma Tobon	
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of the sick & dying	
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Rowena Torres, requested by M. Torres	

#### Thanksgiving Food Drive

Weekend of October 7 / 8



This Thanksgiving, our local food bank would greatly appreciate donations of food items for their ever growing

demand. The most needed items are canned tuna, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, jam, coffee, tea, vegetable oil and sugar. Thank you for your continued generosity.

#### **Taking Communion Home**

Parishioners who wish to bring Communion home to their family members in a pyx must first call the parish office. An Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion will be assigned to bring Communion to them weekly. After October 31st Communion will not be given out at Mass in a pyx except to Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.

#### **New Pastoral Council Executive**

The newly formed Pastoral Council has elected the following members as executives: Mike Carolan as the Chairperson, Sergio Rodrigues as the Vice-Chairperson and Drusilla Lobo as the new Secretary. We wish them success with their new responsibilities!

#### **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults**

Wednesday, October 4 at 7:00 p.m.

The classes for those wishing to become Catholic (R.C.I.A.) will begin this week on Wed., Oct. 4 at 7:00 p.m. If you know of anyone who wishes to join, please call the parish office.

#### **Bundle Up Sunday**

Weekend of October 7 / 8

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is collecting clothing, footwear, bedding, toys, drapery and towels to be given to those in need. The Society is not able to accept: books, construction materials, dishes, furniture and cassettes. Please bring your donation to the Society's truck next weekend, October 7 / 8. Thank you!

#### **Humanitarian Relief Efforts**

Anyone who wishes to help with the relief efforts of the recent devastation from hurricanes in the Carribean and earthquakes in Mexico can do so in the following ways:

- Online at <u>www.archtoronto.org</u>
- By cheque payable to St. Thomas More Parish — 2017 Disaster Relief.

#### Thank You! From ShareLife

Congratulations to everyone who donated to the ShareLife Campaign this past year; we surpassed our goal by raising \$66,912.19! Thank you for your generosity to those in need!

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND **CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION**

Sundays in October after the 10:00 a.m. Mass



Registrations will be held for children preparing for their First Holy Communion or Confirmation. Please come to the parish hall after the 10:00 a.m.

- Sun., Oct. 1 after 10:00 a.m. Mass
- Sun., Oct. 8 after 10:00 a.m. Mass
- Sun., Oct. 15 after 10:00 a.m. Mass
- Sun., Oct. 22 and 29 after 10:00 a.m. Mass.

#### Children's Liturgy of the Word

Sunday, October 1 at 10:00 a.m. Mass



This is a program for children ages 4 to 10 that takes place each Sunday during the 10:00

a.m. Mass. There is no registration required. Please encourage your children to attend!

#### Life Chain

Sunday, October 1, 2017 from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Please join us on Sun., Oct. 1 at 2:00 p.m. at the intersection of Markham & Ellesmere Roads in witnessing to the sanctity of life on behalf of the most vulnerable members of our society.

#### Praying for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Kaumudi Passanha, Basil Benedict, Anna L. Amala, Rita Croft, Henry Sharp, James Noah, Albert Vella, Ernesto Apique, Mike and Cathy Cochrane, Martin Anthony Marin and Rex Phillips. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry by the grace of God

#### Fontbonne Ministries

Sisters of St. Joseph, Toronto

In Good Company is seeking volunteers to join our visiting program. Training is provided in a one-day workshop (at no cost). If supporting the elderly and/or isolated people in their homes is appealing to you, please contact Lauchie McInroy at 416-465-6069 or at infoingoodcompany@csi-to.ca.

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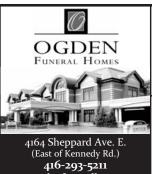
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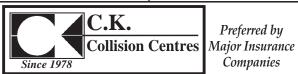


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