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.



Give thanks to the Lord for His many Blessings On Thanksgiving

Youth Ministry

Youth Chaplain	
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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	

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

For Matthew the kingdom of God – the relationship between God and humanity – is clearly fulfilled in Jesus the Christ. Traditional aspects of feasting, of gathering in community to celebrate the intimate life-giving relationship of marriage, are allusions to oneness with Christ through the Eucharist.

However, other aspects of today's Gospel parable are shocking. Some invitees are uninterested, others obnoxious. The host responds with harshness, intolerance, dismissing those who refuse the invitation as unworthy and banishing one who arrives unprepared to perpetual suffering. How are we to understand these images in relation to the kingdom of God?

It is helpful to remember that the tellers of our sacred stories bring something of themselves into their narratives. Written at least 50 years after Jesus' death and resurrection, Matthew's Gospel has a single focus. Its author speaks passionately of Jesus as the anticipated Messiah. Frustrated with those who disagree, perhaps Matthew uses the chilling image of isolation in darkness to shock his contemporaries into rethinking their unbelief.

In Matthew's Gospel, all are called to choose the peace and fulfillment of the kingdom of God. In doing so, all commit to celebrate Christ's transformative love through their relationships with God, self and community.

Excerpted from Living with Christ Ella Allen, Fredericton, NB

October 1		
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Edward, Rose Mary & Bellarmine Rodrigues, requested by the De Souza family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Intentions of Zachary D'Souza
	10:00 a.m.	In thanksgiving, the D'Mello family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Virginia Lopez, requested by the family
Monday	9:00 a.m.	+Fr. John Walsh, requested by S. McPherson
	7:30 a.m.	+Rodolfo Asilador, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Souls in purgatory, requested by M. Palumbo
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Rizalina Abad, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Dante & Rosalinda Gozun, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Purita Hinola, requested by J. Carrillo
7:00 p	7:00 p.m.	+Agostinho Teixeira, requested by the family +Thevanayagam
		Reginold, requested by the family
		+Lorraine Wilkins, requested by the family
		+Antonio Passanha, requested by the Henriques & Fernandes families
		Intentions of Klarissa Ingrid D'Mello
	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Myrna Hernandez
	7:00 p.m.	+Celestina & Veronica De Freitas, requested by the family
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Ivor Thomas, requeste by M. Thomas



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World Mission Sunday

Sunday, October 18, 2020

Next week is World Mission Sunday. This celebration of the missions will take place in every parish in the world. It is also a global celebration of the Universal Church. Your prayers and donations will assist churches, hospitals, schools, and vocations where the church is still at a formative stage. With the assistance that Catholic communities world-wide receive through World Mission Sunday, they will become self-sufficient and continue to flourish. By sharing the gift of faith, we can bring hope and love to those who need it most.

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

R.C.I.A. is a process whereby individuals explore their relationships with God and enter into a faith journey which takes them to a study and reflection on the Bible, the Trinity, the sacraments and the liturgy. We invite those who are interested to call the parish for information.

Revised Collections Dates

The dates for collections of other diocesancharities has been revised as follows:ShareLifeOct. 10/11World Mission SundayOct. 17/18The Shepherds' TrustNov. 14/15Thank you for all your offerings!

Rosary Coast to Coast Canada 2020

Sunday, October 11, 2020

Please join the world in prayer, for world peace, by praying the Rosary on Sun., Oct. 11, 2020 at home at 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time, united with the rest of the world. <u>www.rosarycoasttocoast.ca</u>.

Online Worldwide Marriage Encounter October 23 - 25

No matter where you are in your marriage journey, the Marriage Encounter experience is a haven that helps you. It's just about the two of you learning to be the best, most loving couple you can be. It's based around Catholic values. For information contact, Gerard or Marge at gerard.marge@rogers.com.

Sacramental Prep News Email: stthomasmore@rogers.com

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

More information will be available soon.

CONFIRMATION

- More information will be available soon.
- R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)
- Persons who wish to become Catholic should call the parish during office hours.

Refugee Sponsorship Program

The Archdiocese Office for Refugees has a program to assist parishioners who would like to sponsor a family member that is in need of refugee sponsorship. This program is intended to assist parishioners only. If you are a parishioner, and would like to sponsor a family member, please contact the parish office to schedule a meeting with the pastor prior to November 15. <u>The Office of Refugees will look to the sponsoring family to provide the necessary funds for sponsorship.</u>

Baptisms

We welcome into God's family the following children who have been baptized during the months of January to July in our parish: Tala A. Acosta, Dylan J. T. Brown, Aren G. Casiano, Ilyana R. Partheeben, Xander M. Chin, Theo A. Delantar-Phuong, Luna A. A. Parcero, Cara E. G. Sacdalan, Mary M. V. Esteron, Vivian C. Rodrigues, Anthony Alvin, Jace R. D. Wright, Louise C. Sarkady, Ashley E. Clarke, Keyanna R. Deoraj, Tony B. Deoraj, Marica T. Deveaux, Donnell R. Edwards, Jason B. John, Lincoln M. Aman, Lev M. Aman, Chimuanya J. Ejiochi, Nathan F. R. Cruz and Jayden Laureano. May God bless them all the days of their lives!

Prayers Needed for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Ma. Concepcion C. Reyes, John Difalco, Nico Bonifacio and those infected with COVID-19. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

