

# St. Thomas More Parish

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## Parish Staff

**Pastor:** Rev. Aegidius Warsito SCJ

**Associate Pastor:** Rev. Martin K. Antony SCJ Priests of the Sacred Heart

**Secretaries:** Cathy Dessailly, Michelle Rodrigues **Religious Ed. Coordinator:** Michelle Peres

**Pastoral Council Chair:** Clara Peters- Onagoruwa **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	Lorna D'Souza	416-431-7685
Eucharistic Ministers	Clara Peters-Onagoruwa	416-439-1545
Music Ministry	Donald Torres	647-449-6583
Altar Servers	Patrick Pillainayagam	stmparish.altarservers@gmail.com
Ushers/Greeters	Percy D'Mello	647-404-5394
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Nardina Grande	416-419-8254
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 Road	416-393-5356
St. John Paul II Secondary School	685 Military Trail	416-393-5531

**Youth Ministry**

Youth Minister

Mel Perpose.....[melperpose@gmail.com](mailto:melperpose@gmail.com)

Young Adults for Christ

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

**Parish Groups**

Parish Council

Clara Peters-Onagoruwa.....416-439-1545

Finance Council

Alan King.....416-284-7190

Screening Committee

Parish office.....416-439-1545

St. Vincent de Paul Society

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

**The Invitation**

The readings for this Sunday show us what joy there is in accepting God's invitations and what sorrow there is in refusing. The word of God challenges us to examine our own response to his call.

In the Gospel, Jesus tells a parable about a king who arranges a wedding banquet for his son and sends out his servants to call in the guests. Strangely the invited guests flatly refuse to come. When the king tries again, those being invited treat the servants shamefully, even violently. Some of us may ask this question: "Why would anyone respond so negatively when being invited to something so wonderful?"

Like the invited guests, sometimes we simply refuse for no logical reason. When we hear God's call, we reject it without even considering it. Sometimes, we consider other things more important right now: our farm, business, or any number of "high priority" matters than God's will. We do not literally kill the messenger, but the word of truth can make us hostile and defensive. When we are called to repentance, we get angry. We act as if we have been imposed upon or insulted or threatened. Internally we fight, complain, ridicule and resist. What at first seemed to be a rather absurd reaction of some strange people in a parable becomes, on closer inspection, a disconcerting reflection of our own heart.

We are not called because we are worthy, for no one is qualified to enter heaven. We are called because the King is so generous. For everyone who says "yes" to his invitation, the Lord cloths in a new garment of grace represented by the white garment we receive at Baptism. Therefore, it is not enough to merely say "yes" and then still come dressed in the clothes of our old self and the world. If we are found "not properly dressed for a wedding feat," we will be thrown out.

So, our reflection is: what is our response to the invitation of God? Do we act as though the will of God is important us? Are we willing to trust that the Lord will supply all our needs?

*Fr. Aegidius Warsito SCJ*

**Mass Intentions for  
October 14 - 21, 2023**

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Dante & Rosalinda Gozun, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Romeo & Juanito Chua, requested by the family
	10:00 a.m.	In thanksgiving. Percy & Anita D'Mello
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Victor Kwan & Steven Chou, requested by the Kwan family
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Angelo Di Maio, requested by the family
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Anthony Marithas. Requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Mary McTague, requested by Mary Johnstone
		+Daniel Domantay, requested by the family
		+Heather Watkins, requested by Leslie
		+Cecilia Pizarro, requested by Y. Faller
		+Deceased members of the Lorza & Jimenez families
Intentions of Milly Gonsalves		
+Tony Santino, requested by Clara Peters		
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Paul Myers, requested by E. Myers
	7:00 p.m.	Thanksgiving Marie De Souza, requested by the Gonsalve family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Anni Gunther, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Erlinda Concepcion, requested by Miles, Zoey & Quinn
		+Nida Aldana, requested by Tessie & Elena
		Intentions of Anderson Rodrigues
		Intentions of Vinette Francis, requested by the Gonsalves family
Intentions of Patsy Patel, requested by the Gonsalves family		
+Allan Manuel Hernandez, requested by the family		
Friday	7:30 a.m.	Thanksgiving David & Pertolina Jerome
	7:00 p.m.	+Margaret Doyle, requested by the family
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Pushpa Aseeruatham, children & families, requested by A. Antoinette Benedict

## Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary is a Catholic lay movement, which aims to collaborate in the Church's mission of evangelization. In the spiritual formation of its members the Legion places much emphasis on the doctrine of the Mystical Body of Christ, on seeking the guidance of the Holy Spirit and on the performance of apostolic work in union with Mary.

Legionaries place themselves at the service of Mary and wish to help her in her mission as "Mother of the Church".

**Here at St. Thomas More Parish Church, the Legion of Mary meets every Thursday at 5:30 pm.**

***If you feel the call to serve others through this beautiful ministry, we invite you to call the parish for more information and we will contact you.***

## World Mission Sunday

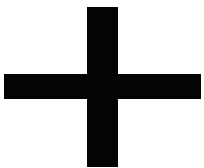
Sunday, October 22, 2023



The universal collection for World Mission Sunday is unique: its fruits are distributed worldwide, according to the needs of the

poorest dioceses. The collection provides each bishop the means for the formation of catechists, priestly vocations and consecrated life, education, health care, etc. It also aids in supporting the permanent effort of the Church to go and proclaim the Gospel to all nations. Thank you for your support in this important work.

## A Sign of Contradiction



A true Christian is a sign of contradiction – a living symbol of the Cross. He or she is a person who believes in the unbelievable, loves the unlovable, is perfectly happy

not to be perfect, is willing to give up one's will, becomes weak to be strong, sees some good in every bad and finds love by giving it away. A Christian transcends the natural with the immeasurable power of love and becomes a supernatural person.

## Sacramental Prep News

Email: [stmpsacraments@gmail.com](mailto:stmpsacraments@gmail.com)



### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

- Registration is now open at the parish office.

### CONFIRMATION

- Registration is now open at the parish office.

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

Registration is now open at the parish office.

## Prayers Needed for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Kendrick Mohammed, Austin Rosario, Martel Gordon-Tennant, Enza Savatti, Claire Alles, Josephine and Navene Habr, Jill Downs, Ana Lisa Patena, Theresa Tomaschek Sr., Sharmi Basnayaha, Conrad and Bertha Rodrigues, Victoria Munson, Judith Saimone. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

## Handicraft Holy Land Christians

Weekend of October 14 and 15 at all Masses

We welcome a guest representing the Handicraft Holy Land Christians on the weekend of Oct. 14 and 15 to address the congregation after all Masses. Issues regarding the Christian presence in the Holy Land will be presented. They ask for support through your prayers. They also have religious articles for purchase which are handmade from olive wood which help them to earn a living. Please see their website for more information at: [www.holylandchristians.ca](http://www.holylandchristians.ca)

## Coffee Sunday

Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup> after morning Masses



Come and enjoy a beverage and treats (hosted by our Servian Group) on Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup> after all morning Masses where you will meet other parishioners and learn about some of our groups in the parish! We would love to see you!

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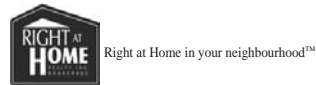
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