

St. Thomas More Parish

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Priests of the Sacred Heart

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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

Youth Ministry

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Silvio Escobar..... silvio.escobar@live.com

Youth Group

Drusilla Lobo.....youth.stmyg@yahoo.ca

Young Adults for Christ

Racine Senining.....stmyac@gmail.com

Parish Groups

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To Caesar What is Caesar's and to God What is God's

Today's Gospel reveals the conflict between Jesus and the Pharisees as they put Him to the test with a tricky question, "Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor?" We know that, in Jesus' time, the people of Israel had been exploited by the Roman Empire. The imposition of heavy taxes had become a concrete sign of Caesar's domination. The emperor had taken the place of God and forced every citizen to worship him. Obviously, this is not God's will for His people. Therefore, the Pharisees expected Jesus to condemn the Roman taxes. In this case, He would be considered subversive and liable to be judged and condemned to death.

Jesus notices their malice and calls them hypocrites. The Pharisees were not truly interested in justice for the poor. They actually accepted the taxation in order to get privileges from the Roman Empire and avoid conflict with Caesar. Jesus shows great wisdom as He asks them for a coin. Caesar's image was impressed on it with all his majestic titles. The coin itself is an offense to God who is the only Lord worthy of adoration. "I am the Lord and there is no other" says the First Reading. So Jesus responds, "give to Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is God's". It is time to denounce every unjust appropriation of God's majesty.

God's children were created in God's image and likeness; we belong to Him and He wants the wellbeing of all His creatures. Therefore, everything that harms the life of God's people is unacceptable. Taxes are just when they guarantee the services necessary to provide and defend human dignity. As we come together in community we ask the Lord to help us stand up for God and all that belongs to Him.

Fr. Willyans, SCJ

Mass Intentions for October 21 - 28, 2017

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Intentions of Eugene & Ofelia Lim
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Caterina Palumbo, requested by the family
	10:00 a.m.	+Tom & Rita Biordi, requested by the family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+George Vaintharaspillai, requested by the De Alwis family
	Monday	7:30 a.m.
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Jeanne Ndake, Itoua Martin, Moussa Mariane, Otselet Bony and Avoukou Emmanuel
	7:00 p.m.	+Paulette Bischoff, requested by the family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Jacqueline Carlos
	7:00 p.m.	+Rosario Mutuc, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Robin Alderson, requested by A. Alderson
	7:00 p.m.	In thanksgiving, Munish Sharme
		+Marianne Dinatale, requested by the Cataudella family
		+Manuel Solis, requested by the family
	+Bernardus, requested by S. M ^c Pherson	
Friday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Yeolanda Correia
	7:00 p.m.	+Joseph Appiah, requested by S. M ^c Doom
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Rene Terry Goddard, requested by the family

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.

Mass on:

- Sun., Oct. 22 after 10:00 a.m. Mass
- Sun., Oct. 29 after 10:00 a.m. Mass.

World Mission Sunday

Sunday, October 22, 2017



Today, we celebrate *World Mission Sunday*! We are called to offer our prayers and generous financial support, through the Society for the Propagation

of the Faith, for the worldwide mission of Christ. We are asked to reach out to the peripheries, people in remote villages, towns and cities by using the witness and work of missionaries and local priests. Please keep all missionaries in your daily prayers.

The Spirituality of Leo John Dehon

Wednesday, November 15 at 7:30 p.m.



Last March the Priests of the Sacred Heart, who are entrusted with ministry to the parishes of St. Thomas More and Our Lady of the Rosary, and ministry to the

Indonesian Catholic Community, offered three sessions on the life, spirituality and ministry of their founder, the Venerable Leo John Dehon. The next follow up session on the Spirituality of Leo Dehon will be offered on Wed., Nov. 15, in St. Thomas More parish hall. The session will be one hour in length, beginning at 7:30 p.m. (after the 7:00 p.m. Mass). All are welcome.

Mass Attendance Count

Weekend of October 21/22

The Archdiocese has requested that all parishes have a Mass attendance count at each Mass this weekend. This is to provide an accurate profile of Mass attendance in the archdiocese.

Vocation Seeds



"Give... to God the things that are God's." That includes you! Is God calling you to service as a priest, deacon, brother or sister?

Contact Fr. Chris Lemieux at 416-968-0997 or at vocations@archtoronto.org.

The Annual Memorial Service for the Deceased Members of the St. Thomas More Catholic Women's League and St. Thomas More Women's Group

Tuesday, November 7, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.



The Annual Memorial Service will take place on Tues., Nov. 7th after the 7:00 p.m. Mass. Family members, friends and parishioners, past and present, are invited to help us pray for the souls of the women whom we remember for their selfless service to our parish and community. Refreshments will be served in the parish hall after the service. For more information, or to offer to help with the service and/or reception, please call Claudine at 416-289-0307.

Praying for the Sick



We are praying for the sick of our parish: Phyllis Cogliano, Yvonne Rampersaud, Kaumudi Passanha, Basil Benedict, Anna L. Amala, Rita Croft, Numeriano Esteron and Henry Sharp. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry by the grace of God.

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.

Open House at St. Martin de Porres Parish

Friday, November 3, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

The contractors for the repairs at St. Martin de Porres Parish will be hosting an Open House on Fri., Nov. 3rd from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. This is an opportunity to come and meet the professionals working on the project.

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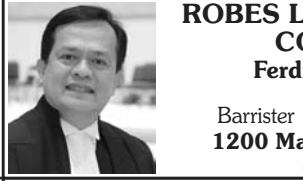
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