

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.

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

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Parish Groups

Parish Council

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

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Screening Committee

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

St. Vincent de Paul Society

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

Balanced Life

Dear brothers and sisters, in today's Gospel, we hear about the Pharisees and Herodians attempting to trap Jesus with a question about taxes. The Pharisees were a group who disagreed with paying taxes to the Roman government, while the Herodians supported Herod Antipas and Rome, thus advocating tax payment to the Emperor. Therefore, the question of whether it was lawful to pay taxes to the emperor was a tricky one.

If Jesus had answered "yes," He would have been criticized as someone who violated God's commandments (cf. Leviticus 25:23). If He had said "no," He would have been accused of inciting rebellion against Roman authority. Wisely, Jesus responded by asking them to show Him the coin used to pay taxes, and they presented a denarius. This coin bore the image and inscription of the ruling Caesar of that time (14-37 AD), which was Tiberius. He then said to them, "Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's."

Beloved brothers and sisters, today's Gospel reminds us of our responsibilities as Christians and citizens. As citizens, we are responsible for supporting the social structure and obeying the laws of our country, including paying taxes. Just as the coin with the image of the emperor is rightfully given to the emperor, as Christians, we also believe that we are created in the image and likeness of God. Therefore, it is appropriate that we offer our lives – our hearts, minds, and souls – to God. This means we are called to live our lives according to the values of the Kingdom of God: faith, hope, and love. A simple example of this is by participating in the Eucharistic, which is the pinnacle and source of Christian life. If daily mass is not possible, attending once a week is a minimum. God has given us seven days a week, so why wouldn't we set aside one day to build a closer relationship with Him? Therefore, our reflection today is, "Have I been living my life in a balanced way? How can I strive to lead a balanced life, both in the worldly and spiritual aspects?" Brother Henrikus Suharyono, SCJ

Mass Intentions for October 21-October 28-, 2023

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	In thanksgiving for the safe return of the Holy Land pilgrims
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Myrna Purpose, requested by Anita & Percy D'Mello
	10:00 a.m.	+James Joven, requested by the family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the Parish Community
	8:00 p.m.	+Mannix Esteros
Monday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Yanah Marie D'Mello
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, requested by Clara Peters
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of Mrs. Vercencia Beradi
		Intentions of Thelma Devalence, requested by the family
		Intentions of Jackie Carlos, requested by L. Nelson
		+Cecilia & Pizarro, requested by Louella Tigne
		+Abraham Arierto, requested by the Laxos family
Intentions of Elwood Stuart, requested by the family		
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving, Phyllis De Silva
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of Joshua Albuquerque, requested by P. Albuquerque
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	Holy Souls in Purgatory
	7:00 p.m.	+Xavier Richard, requested by the family
		Intentions of Aira Vergara, requested by the Torres family
		Intentions of Erlinda Cal, requested by the Torres family
		Intentions of Viromi Fernanco, requested by the Torres family
		+K. J. John, requested by the family
+Marie Julie Fernandez, requested by the family		
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Lorza & Gimenez families, requested by V. Rey
	7:00 p.m.	+Joseph Appiah, requested by S. McDoom
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Rene T. Goddard, requested by the family



Evangelization of Nations

There will be a second collection today for the Evangelization of Nations, otherwise known as World Mission Sunday. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary church, and it is our opportunity to assist at-need Catholic Communities globally. Offerings are combined with offerings from other Catholics around the world and distributed to missions and dioceses. We are called to share from our abundance with those less fortunate who lack the basic essentials to know, love and praise God. *Thank you for your support of this generous work.*

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.

Seniors' Mass and Luncheon



Our monthly Seniors' Mass will be held on Wednesday, October 25th at 11:00 a.m. followed by a luncheon in the parish hall.

All seniors are most welcome!

Morning Prayer

Good Lord, help me remember what a difference it makes when I make time with You a priority in my morning. Awaken me in body and spirit each day with a desire to meet with You and to hear You speak words of affirmation, assurance and wisdom over my heart as I prepare to go into my day, in Jesus' name. Amen

Life is not about being rich, being popular or being perfect. It is about being real, being humble and being kind.

Sacramental Prep News

Email: 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, Chi Duong Chu, Gregorio Huvilla 3rd. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

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.

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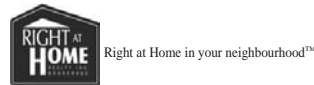
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