

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.

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	Aduino Bertazzon	416-438-0507
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

Youth Group

Drusilla Lobo.....drusilla17lobo@hotmail.com

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Parish Groups

Parish Council

Mike Carolan.....416-282-4750

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“Master, I Want to See!”

We all know how difficult it would be to live with a vision disability. Blind people struggle to get access to some places; they usually need to rely on others to do simple daily tasks such as crossing the street, getting a bus and buying groceries. Even with advanced medicine and technology, accessibility that safeguards the dignity all individuals is still a very important issue today.

In today's Gospel we hear the story of Bartimaeus, the blind man. He was considered a sinner because of his disability. According to old Jewish tradition, an incurable disease is the consequence of a sinful life. They believed that he must have committed a great sin, so God has chastised him. That's why he is at the roadside begging for mercy. He is marginalized!

Some people tried to stop Bartimaeus but his faith led him to cry out to Jesus. And the Lord asked the very same people to bring Bartimaeus to Him. It seems obvious that the blind man wanted to be healed but Jesus wanted to hear from him: “What do you want me to do for you?” God can help you if you allow Him to do so. Full of confidence and hope, he answered: “Master, I want to see!” and his faith saved him.

Most of us have good physical eye sight. However, the worst blindness is the blindness of the heart that makes us unable to see the needs of our brothers and sisters like those who tried to prevent Bartimaeus from approaching Jesus. They were blind in their hearts. May the Lord who gives sight to the blind open our hearts to all and especially to the marginalized of our time.

Fr. Will, SCJ

Mass Intentions for October 24-31, 2015

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Bernard Collins & Geeta Sharma, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Robin Alderson, requested by A. Alderson
	10:00 a.m.	+Aloysius Thambirajah, requested by J. Thambirajah
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Jeanne Ndake, Itoua Martin, Moussa Mariane, Otselet Bony & Avoukou Emmanuel
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+John Johnston, requested by the family
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+John Johnston, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	In thanksgiving to St. Padre Pio, P. Cogliano
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+John Johnston, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Shihan Da Silva, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+John Johnston, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Antonio & Fe Carlos, requested by the Joven family +Bartolomea Pedron, requested by the family +Mary Canny McGuirk, requested by the Long family +Tomas & Aurelia Tabbada, requested by the family
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Josefina Pena Perez, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Caterina Palumbo, requested by the family
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Adoracion S. Abina, requested by L. & M. Cukjati

Attendance Count



Archdiocese
of Toronto

The Archdiocese has requested that all parishes perform an attendance count at all Masses this weekend. This will take place during the offertory collection and will help to provide an accurate profile of Mass attendance in the Archdiocese.

Family of Faith



Family of Faith

The Family of Faith campaign is underway here at St. Thomas More Parish.

In addition to providing

the resources to support our own parish needs, the campaign will address critical priorities that will benefit Catholics all across the Archdiocese of Toronto.

- Developing leaders through Catholic formation and engagement
- Restoring St. Michael's Cathedral
- Investing in our youth, young adult ministry and campus chaplaincies
- Funding to aid existing church properties with extraordinary maintenance needs to keep them safe and secure
- Helping to continue to build new churches throughout the archdiocese

As of this week 13 families in our parish have made pledges, averaging \$946. per gift. Thank you for your generosity!

The Family of Faith campaign will help our parish, too. For each dollar raised, our parish will receive 25 cents. If we exceed our goal, we keep 75 per cent of every dollar above our goal. With the parish share of the money raised we plan to: obtain a religious education coordinator and a youth minister on staff and renovate the sanctuary (altar area).

Parish Goal	Parish Share	Current Total
\$570,000	\$142,500	\$123,000

We hope that each parishioner will prayerfully consider their response to the urgent needs of the Church, here and throughout the Archdiocese. Please continue to pray for the success of our campaign!

“Witness to History”

Tuesday, November 10th at 7:00 p.m.

Scarboro Missions (2685 Kingston Road) is presenting a short documentary film: “Political, Polish Jew: The Story of Pinchas Gutter” on Tues., Nov. 10th at 7:00 p.m. Following the screening Pinchas will be available to answer questions. Admission is free.

Praying for the Sick



We are praying for the sick of our parish: Hanna Turik, Angela Sanchez-Figueroa, Rita Croft, Henry Sharp, Mary Anderson, Tilly Graham, Thikaya Parfaite, Marlene Murphy and Lorenzo Nunez. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry by the grace of God.

World Mission Sunday



Thank you! The Church is missionary throughout the year. Once again, we have proof that our people are generous. The Pontifical

Society for the Propagation of the Faith thanks you for your great generosity in the amount of \$4,626.43. Thank you!

ShareLife

Archbishop Cardinal Collins thanks our parish community for supporting the 2015 ShareLife Parish Campaign. The generosity of all parishes helped raise \$12,459,357 for the work of ShareLife agencies. Together, we are working wonders in the lives of the less fortunate in our communities.

Sisters of St. Joseph

Sunday, November 1st at 1:00 p.m.

The Sisters of St. Joseph of Toronto invite you to celebrate this *Year of Consecrated Life* with a ‘come and go’ tea and ministry display at Fontbonne Ministries (791 Queen St. E.) on Sun., Nov. 1 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Thank You!



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