

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

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Love

In this Sunday's Gospel, the Pharisees asked Jesus: *"Teacher, which commandment in the Law is the greatest?"* The Pharisees asked this question not because they didn't know it but because they wanted to catch Jesus for something that He might say wrongly. Nonetheless, Jesus gave them a straightforward answer, and in the process, He also made them (and us too actually) think about their understanding of the commandment of love. Jesus said: *"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. And you shall love our neighbour as your self."*

That is clear enough for us to understand. But when we think deeper about it, it may not be that easy to put it into practice. When we think of love, we think of red coloured hearts with all the ribbons and roses. We like to think of love in a romantic way, love that is beautiful, love that is soft and warm. That is also the image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. But when we look at the Sacred Heart of Jesus, we will notice the cross on top of the Heart, and also a crown of thorns around the Heart, and also that the Heart is pierced and bleeding.

These are images of pain and suffering. Jesus suffered, died on the cross and His heart was even pierced with a lance, to tell us that God's love for us is a sacrificial love, and that sacrifice was made by Jesus on the cross. It means that if we truly want to love God and to love our neighbour as ourselves, then a sacrifice has to be made.

Therefore, if we say we truly love God, then He may not send us the people that we want to love, but the people that need to be loved. These people may take the shape of a heavy cross and painful thorns that will pierce our hearts. But if we truly love God, then God will fill our hearts with the power of His love to love those that need to be loved.

Our reflection is: what kinds of love do we have?

Fr. Aegidius Warsito SCJ

**Mass Intentions for
October 28 - November 4, 2023**

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Benedict Sandrasagara, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Caterina Palumbo, requested by the family
	10:00 a.m.	Intentions of Alistair D'Souza
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Susanna & Herminio Masalunga, requested by the Trivino family
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Antonio Carlos, requested by the family
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Shihan De Silva. requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Felix Albuquerque, requested by P. Albuquerque
		+Socorro, Cirilo & Edwin Fabillaran, requested by the family
		Intentions for healing, Kenrick Mohammed
		Intentions of Melissa & Devin
		+Carolyn David Bella, requested by the Asuncion family
+Peter Alphonsus de Roche, requested by the family		
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	All Saints Day, no intentions
	7:00 p.m.	All Saints Day, no intentions
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	All Souls Day, no intentions
	7:00 p.m.	All Souls Day, no intentions
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Deceased souls from the Book of Remembrance
	7:00 p.m.	+Deceased members of the Antonio & Gozun families
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Deceased souls from the Book of Remembrance

Dear God:

Bless all my family and friends

Wherever they may be.

Bless the lonely,

Fill them with Your love.

Bless the sick,

Heal them back to good health,

Mend the broken, fill them with peace,

Love and joy. Amen.

Christmas Cards For Sale

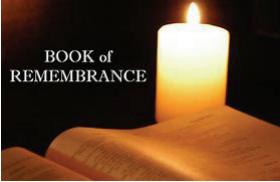
Weekends of November 4/5, 11/12, 18/19



Cards featuring beautiful Christmas artwork will be on sale after all Masses for three weekends in November, from Saturday, November 4th to Sunday,

November 19th. A pack of 10 cards and envelopes will cost only \$10. Payment is by cash only. Net proceeds from the sale will support our Parish Campaign. Please be generous in your support of this fundraiser.

Book of Remembrance



During the month of **November** we dedicate more attention to prayer for our deceased brothers and sisters. We will put the

Book of Remembrance at the front of the church and you are invited to record the names of deceased relatives, friends and parishioners in the Book. Every day during the month of November the morning Mass will be celebrated for those whose names are in the Book of Remembrance.

First Friday Communion of Reparation

Friday, November 3rd from 10:30 p.m. to 9:00 a.m.

The Alliance of the Holy Family International group is holding a Communion of Reparation on Fri., Nov. 3rd all night from 10:30 p.m. to 9:00 a.m. in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The program includes Eucharistic adoration, confession, Communion and the Rosary. Everyone is most welcome to come and pray (upon availability)!

First Saturday Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday, November 4th from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m.

The Holy Trinity Community will hold a healing Eucharistic Adoration on Sat., Nov. 4th from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. after the Mass. The theme is "*He heals the broken-hearted and binds up their wounds*" – Psalm 147.3. Prayers and songs will be part of the program. Everyone is most welcome to attend!

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, Victoria Munson, Judith Saimone. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

Day of Reflection & Prayer for the Bereaved

Manresa Jesuit Renewal Centre
2325 Liverpool Road, Pickering, ON L1X 1V4
Saturday, November 4th 9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.




"Where is God in my pain? How is God working in my grief?"


Grieving a loved one can shake or give a new shape to our faith.

At this gathering, you will have the opportunity to share your grief story in a community of faith and to reflect in a prayerful way on your experience, to draw renewed strength and hope to continue the journey. Facilitated by Sr. Claire Marchal and Mary Hyland. Suggested Offering: \$65 per person (includes lunch). Please contact Mary Hyland at 905-441-0957.

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