

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	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 Road	416-393-5356
St. John Paul II Secondary School	685 Military Trail	416-393-5531

Youth Ministry

Youth Chaplain

Fr. Antonio Pereira SCJ stthomasmore@rogers.com

Young Adults for Christ

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

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Parish Council

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

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The Greatest Commandments

In this Sunday's Gospel, the scribe puts this question to Jesus: "*Which commandment is the first of all?*"

Jesus answered that question with the first commandment, and in the same breath, He also added the second commandment. In effect, Jesus is saying that these two are closely connected to the same question, just like there are two sides to the same coin. And just like one side of the coin is not more important than the other, the two commandments complement and complete each other.

In other words, to love God is also to love our neighbour. We cannot say that we love God whom we cannot see and do not love the neighbour that we can see. God and neighbour are like two sides of the same coin.

Oftentimes, we must confess and admit that our top priorities are not what Jesus taught us. Because love is not the most important thing in our lives, and if it is in our lives, then, we are still indeed very far from the Kingdom of God. If our top priority in life is not to love, then, how can I be called son or daughter of God? When we understand that, then we, too, are not far from the Kingdom of God.

So, let us be reminded that if the vertical beam intersects with the horizontal beam, we have the form of the cross. May it remind us to love God with our whole being and to love our neighbour as ourselves.

Our reflection is: how can we express our love of God and in what way? What is the most important thing in our life?

Fr. Aegi Warsito SCJ

Mass Intentions for October 30 - November 6, 2021

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Gertrude & Basil Panditharatne, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Deceased members of the Gozun and Antonio families, requested by the family
	10:00 a.m.	+Francis, Carmen and Elizabeth D'Mello, requested by the family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Saul Heit, requested by the Layos family
Monday	All Saints Day, no Mass intentions	
Tuesday	All Souls Day, no Mass intentions	
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+The deceased of the Book of Remembrance
	7:00 p.m.	+Felino Cabuga, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+The deceased of the Book of Remembrance
	7:00 p.m.	+Deceased members of the LueSue, Alexis, Patel and Joseph families
		+Mary & Ann McPherson, requested by the Patel family
		+Felix Albuquerque, requested by the family
		Intentions of Marie Chaves
		Intentions of the Serviam Group, our priests and for priestly vocations
Intentions of Mike Madigan		
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+The deceased of the Book of Remembrance
	7:00 p.m.	+James Joven, requested by the family
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+The deceased of the Book of Remembrance

World Mission Sunday

Sunday, October 24, 2021

Thank you for answering your baptismal call to witness for mission on World Mission Sunday!

Canadian Bishops Announce \$30M National Financial Pledge to Support Healing and Reconciliation Initiatives



Cont'd from last week.....

Bishop William McGrattan, Vice President of the CCCB, articulated the importance of working together with Indigenous Peoples on local goals, timing, and distribution of funds. "The Bishops of Canada have been guided by

the principle that we should not speak about Indigenous People without speaking with them. To that end, the ongoing conversations with local leadership will be instrumental in discerning the programs that are most deserving of support. There is no single step that can eliminate the pain felt by residential school survivors, but by listening, seeking relationships, and working collaboratively where we are able, we hope to learn how to walk together in a new path of hope."

Today's news follows a national apology that was issued by the Canadian Bishops on Friday, 24 September. In the weeks and months ahead, the CCCB will continue to provide updates on this work, as part of a long path towards healing and reconciliation.

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) is the national assembly of the Bishops of Canada. It was founded in 1943 and officially recognized by the Holy See in 1948.

Annual Mass Attendance Count

The Archdiocese has requested to have a Mass attendance count over the past 2 weeks. These are the totals for this year with comparative numbers for 2020:

Mass day & time	2020	2021
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	114	186
Sunday 8:30 a.m.	117	188
Sunday 10:00 a.m.	67	229
Sunday 11:30 a.m.	94	277
Sunday 2:00 p.m.	59	126
Sunday 8:00 p.m.	60	171
Totals	511	1187

Sacramental Prep News Email: stmpsacraments@gmail.com



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

- Registration is now open in October.

CONFIRMATION

- Registration will take place in November.

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

- Registrations are presently being taken.

Congratulations!

One of our parishioners and former parish staff, Kavishka Gomes, has received the Catholic Student Award from Neil McNeil Catholic Secondary School. This Award is in recognition of his service to school, church and community. We heartily congratulate Kavishka on his achievement and wish him continued success in his studies at University of Waterloo!

The Come and See – Day Retreat St. Augustine's Seminary

Saturday, November 20, 2021

Inviting single Catholic men 18 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Please register online at www.vocationstoronto.ca. For more information, please contact the Office of Vocations via email: vocations@archtoronto.org

Prayers Needed for the Sick

We are praying for the sick: Romeo Gacad, Beatriz Tjong, Anita P. Sumabat, Paul Paboudjian, Elinor & Jose Antonio Layos, Pedro Chu, Dr. Christopher Chang, Mike Madigan, Elisa Dalmacio, Gloria Paraan, Rulfino Dalmacio, Lilia Fernandes, Maritess Paraan, Mary Romadenko, Nancy Skiba, Bradley Solomonsz and those with COVID-19. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

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