

# St. Thomas More Parish

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## Parish Staff

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**Secretaries:** Josie Elsner, Suzy Correia **Religious Ed. Coordinator:** Gracie Nepomuceno

**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.



*Give thanks to the Lord for  
His many Blessings  
On Thanksgiving*

## Youth Ministry

### Youth Group

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### Young Adults for Christ

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## Parish Groups

### Parish Council

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### Finance Council

Alan King.....416-439-1545

### Screening Committee

Claudine Goller.....416-289-0307

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

## A Thankful Samaritan



As Jesus continues His way toward Jerusalem He meets many people in several situations. Every situation is an opportunity for a new teaching. So the "Way to Jerusalem" is like a catechesis given by the Lord before

going back to the Father. Today Jesus encounters ten lepers who were outside Samaria. In this episode of healing we are invited to reflect upon our gratitude for the Lord's blessings in our daily lives.

Leprosy was considered an incurable, contagious illness in Jesus' time. Infected people were isolated on the outskirts of town and were to shout "impure" if someone approached them. Their condition was considered to be God's punishment. So they were left on the margins of social and religious groups with no perspective on life or their future.

Jesus approaches them and the lepers cry out: "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" He commands them to go and show themselves to the priests. Only priests were able to confirm a cure of leprosy and allow the leper to return to a normal religious and social life. With no promise or sign, the lepers trusted and obeyed Jesus. As they went, they were made clean. Ironically, only the Samaritan came back and thanked Jesus profusely for healing him. Samaritans were the enemies of the Jews.

Sometimes people who have received so much take things for granted. They forget that everything we possess is actually God's gift. He continuously shows us His mercy, especially for the poor and marginalized. It's our duty to be thankful for His generous love and presence in our history. On this Thanksgiving Day be grateful for all the Lord has done for you and your family. Happy Thanksgiving!

*Fr. Will, SCJ*

## Mass Intentions for October 8 - 15, 2016

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Shihan De Silva, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Raffaele, Sebastiana & Maria Privitera and Moses & Lucy Kennedy, requested by the Privitera family
	10:00 a.m.	Intentions of Bridget Ode & family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Joseph Lang, requested by the E. Chua family
Monday	9:00 a.m.	+Ivan Uribe, requested by the family
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Alberto Moreno, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Kishani Pereira, requested by the family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Nicasio & Anacleta Jarquio, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Patricia Espener, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Eunice Simone
	7:00 p.m.	+Purita Hinola, requested by G. & R. Paraan
		+Jael Buenaventura, requested by the family
		+Alberto Moreno, requested by the family
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+John Johnston, requested by M. Johnston
	7:00 p.m.	+Pamela Yeo, requested by the Mantes family
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Carole Walzak

## Help Needed



If anyone is available to give a ride to a parishioner from the Mornelle Court area, please call the parish office at 419-439-1545.

## Registration for First Holy Communion and Confirmation

All weekend Masses until Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>



There will be registration for students preparing for First Holy Communion and Confirmation after all weekend Masses until Sun., Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please bring your child's

baptism certificate and fee for registration (\$30.00 for Confirmation and \$15.00 for First Communion). Registrations will also be taken at the parish office during regular office hours. For more information, please call Gracie at 416-439-1545.

## If You Are a Volunteer in One or More of the Many Groups or Ministries in our Parish, This Message

It is important that the Screening Committee have up-to-date lists of the volunteers in all groups and ministries. All volunteers must have a Volunteer Information Form on file. All volunteers who work in certain ministries must go through two other steps of screening as well. It is the duty of all leaders to follow the regulations set out by the Archdiocese of Toronto in their "Strengthening the Caring Community" program, and to see that the members of their groups have followed the proper procedures. Volunteers, please help your leader to fulfill their duties.

The leaders of all groups and ministries are asked to submit their updated lists to the parish office by Mon., Oct. 24, 2016. (A message to the leaders who have handed in their lists: THANK YOU!)

## World Mission Sunday

October 23, 2016

This year, World Mission Sunday will take place on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary Church that provides emergency aid when disaster strikes, cares for refugees in war torn countries, and provides health clinics and transportation for priests, catechists, religious and lay pastoral workers. It provides financial support for the daily needs of all missionaries. Please pray for the missions and be generous on World Mission Sunday.

## Youth Reaching out to the Homeless

Saturday, October 29, 2016



The Youth Group invites anyone 18 years and older to help hand out sandwiches to the homeless on Sat., Oct. 29, 2016. They will meet in the

parish hall at 10:00 a.m. to prepare the sandwiches and then travel to the downtown area by TTC. It would be most appreciated if parishioners are able to donate bread, deli meats, mayonnaise, cheese slices and jam. These donations can be left in the parish office. For more information, please contact the parish office (416-439-1545).

## Praying for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Mickey Gordon, Rita Croft, Henry Sharp, John Da Silva, Elias Joseph, Josephine Habr, Jacob George, William Grey, Bella Passanha, Paul Camilleri, Halina Magdziak and Denise Wilde. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry by the grace of God.

## The Looking Ahead Seminar

Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

The Looking Ahead Seminar will be held at Christ the King Cemetery on Sat., Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 a.m. For further details, please see the poster in the foyer.

## Poles Saving Jews

Thursday, November 1<sup>st</sup> 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Scarboro Missions (2685 Kingston Road) is hosting an event entitled "Poles Saving Jews" which includes a film and personal testimony for the Annual Holocaust Education Week. It is free and open to the public. For more information, please call 416-261-7135, ext. 244.

## Annual Mass for End Woman Abuse

Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Mass offered to End Woman Abuse will be held on Wed., Oct. 12 at 7:00 p.m. at Nativity of Our Lord Church (480 Rathburn Rd.) with light refreshments to follow in the parish hall.

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