# St. Thomas More Parish

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#### **Parish Staff**

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Priests of the Sacred Heart

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.

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	youth.stmyg@yahoo.ca
Young Adults for Christ	
Andy Rodrigues	stmyac@gmail.com

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Parish Groups	
Parish Council	
Mike Carolan	416-282-4750
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Alan King	416-439-1545
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Claudine Goller	416-289-0307
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Martel Gordon-Tennant	416-439-7827

#### **Shredness and Corruption**

Today's Gospel is part of the so called "Jesus' way to Jerusalem". During this trip, He challenges his disciples to become totally committed to Him and his purpose. They are to make a choice whether they will embrace Jesus' Gospel and its consequences or realize that they are not ready to go ahead with Him to Jerusalem.

In Jesus' time (and up to the present) there existed a great divide between the rich and the poor. The economy was basically agricultural and wealthy farmers would hire poor families and pay them very little or nothing. The manager in the parable was working for a rich man. He was accused of being irresponsible as the administrator of his master's property. Knowing that he would lose his position he called his master's debtors and reduced their bills. He thought it might please them so they would help him in his time of need.

This manager was considered dishonest but clever. However, he only reduced the bills by his portion in the business. He was willing to give up his payment in order to build a group of new friends. He left behind his greed and corruption to join the poor who were struggling to live an honest life. His behaviour was actually commended by his master and Jesus encouraged his disciples to do the same.

Jesus concludes, "The children of this age are more shrewd than the children of light". He also says, "Whoever is faithful in very little is also faithful in much" and finally, "You cannot serve God and wealth". Looking at Jesus' example we think of so many people who are still being exploited throughout the world. We pray for those who suffer the consequences caused by the corruption and greed of the powerful. True disciples of Jesus denounce this injustice and stand for the dignity of all. Harming the poor is harming God! Fr. Will, SCJ

Mass Intentions for September 17 - 24, 2016				
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Ida P. Innasipillai,		
		requested by the family		
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+D'Ambrose &		
		D'Virginia, requested		
		by the family		
	10:00 a.m.	+Mark Mantes,		
		requested by the family		
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish		
		community		
	8:00 p.m.	+Norah Rooney,		
		requested by the family		
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Bob Baldi, requested		
		by C. Baldi		
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Sabastian Carvalho,		
		requested by the family		
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of Dennis		
		Cybulskie		
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+John Johnston,		
		requested by M.		
	7.00	Johnston		
	7:00 p.m.	+Jeremy Benedict,		
<b>T</b>	7.00	requested by the family		
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Emidio Donatelli,		
	7.00	requested by the family		
	7:00 p.m.	+Sr. Anne James,		
		requested by the family +Doris Scott, requested		
		by the family		
		Intentions of Albert		
		Vella		
		+Oyinade Maria Ojulari,		
		requested by the		
		Prayer Group		
Friday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Erzso		
	1.00 3	Kovacs		
	7:00 p.m.	+Celestina & Barbara		
		De Freitas, requested		
		by the family		
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	In thanksgiving,		
		Terrence Thambyrajah		
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#### Praying for the Sick

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

#### Family of Faith Update

The following is an update for the Family of Faith Archdiocesan campaign at our parish:

- The total amount that was pledged to the parish is \$833,780.00.
- The amount that has been donated to date is \$105.760.82.
- The Archdiocesan share (75%) is \$69,495.62.
- The parish share (25%) is \$23,165.21.

Thank you so much for your generosity!

#### Children's Liturgy of the Word

Sunday, September 25th at the 10:00 a.m. Mass

The Children's Liturgy of the Word program will resume on Sun., Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> at the 10:00 a.m. Mass for children 4 to 10 years of age. Children and catechists go to the parish hall to hear and discuss the Sunday readings at their level of understanding after the Opening Prayer at Mass and then return to the Mass at the Offertory. No registration is required. Please encourage your child to attend.

#### **Introducing Merrymakers**

Mary, Mother of God School is now registering children (3 – 5 years old) for 2-1/2 hours of enriched programming on Monday and Thursday afternoons from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. Songs, stories, music, games and more are available. For more information, please call the school at 416-531-7897.

#### Information for UTSC Students

Saturday, September 24th

Are you or someone you know starting a new school year at UTSC? Connect with the Catholic campus ministry at the University of Toronto Scarborough Campus. University years can be a turbulent time in the life of a young adult. The chaplaincy provides access to the sacraments including weekly Mass on campus, faith studies, social events and spiritual directions for young adults. Our welcome BBQ is Sat., Sept. 24th. For more information, contact Erica at utscchaplaincy@gmail.com or join our Facebook

Group: UTSC Chaplaincy.

#### Registration for the Sacraments

Sat., Oct. 1 to Sun. Oct. 23 after all Masses



There will be registration for students preparing for First Holy Communion and Confirmation each weekend after all Masses from Sat., Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> to 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 Holy Communion). Registrations will also be taken at the parish office during regular office hours. For more information, please call Gracie at 416-439-1545.

#### LifeChain

Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00 p.m.



LifeChain is a simple and prayerful way to give public witness to the truth that abortion is a destruction of human life. It takes only an hour and all you

have to do is stand quietly with others, holding a sign with a simple message. The signs say: "Abortion kills Children", and "Abortion hurts Women". This year LifeChain takes place on Sun., Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. Our church will be at the intersection of Markham and Ellesmere Roads. Please offer up this hour.

#### ShareLife – Thank You!

The ShareLife Office thanks everyone for their generosity in raising \$12,060,220 for this year's campaign! Our parish raised

\$51,888.58. Our congratulations and thanks to all who donated!

#### Revival

Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>

You are invited on Sat., Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> to join Serviam Ministries with Fr. John Zuhlsdorf and Stephanie Gray at the Canada Christian College to attend a revival filled with prayer, faith and fellowship. For more information, call 1-888-522-2070 or email at info@serviamministries.com.

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