

St. Thomas More Parish

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Priests of the Sacred Heart

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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	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

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Parish Groups

Parish Council

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

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

Chasm Between the Rich and the Poor

Today's Liturgy of the Word continues the theme of last Sunday. It challenges us to reflect on wealth and how we make use of money. Once again Amos in the First Reading and Jesus in the Gospel denounce the greed of the rich and the misery of the poor. Now we see the consequences faced by those who ignore their brothers and sisters in need. Amos said they will be the first to be taken into exile. Jesus said that the rich man was sent to a place of torment after his death.

According to Jesus' parable Lazarus begged at the rich man's door. His body was wounded and even dogs would come to lick his sores. Because of his wounds he was considered an impure man, a sinner. He has been marginalized by both society and religion. Lazarus wanted to eat the bread that fell from the rich man's table. Rich people had a custom of cleaning plates and fingers with bread and then throwing them under the table. Even this bread was not given to him.

God does not forget the poor! Lazarus died and was carried by angels to be with Abraham. The rich man did not have the same fortune. As he suffers his agony in hell he begs Abraham to send Lazarus to satisfy his thirst. It is not possible!

There is a great chasm between Lazarus and the rich man; a chasm that the rich man himself established on earth when Lazarus was laying at his door and never recognized as his equal. Now this chasm extends to eternity.

The whole Scriptures speak of justice to the poor. Jesus himself died for them. Today we ask the Lord to open our minds and hearts that we will not ignore the hungry. As we invite them to our table they will one day welcome us in heaven.

Fr. Will, SCJ

Mass Intentions for Sept. 24 – Oct. 1, 2016

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Intentions of Ofelia Lim
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Marzio Agostinis, requested by T. Freitas
	10:00 a.m.	+Mary Rose Collins, requested by the family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
Monday	8:00 p.m.	+Wilfredo Cortez, requested by the family
	7:30 a.m.	+Jeanne Ndake, Itoua Martin, Moussa Mariane, Otselet Bony & Avoukou Emmanuel
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of David Nelson
	7:00 p.m.	In thanksgiving, Antoniette & William Little
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Juan Rey, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Paulette Bischoff, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Amico Gasbarro, requested by the Donatelli family
	7:00 p.m.	+Caiyanne, requested by the grandparents
		+Aurora Garces, requested by the family
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Imre Lechner, requested by B. Lechner
		+Julia Lechner, requested by B. Lechner
	7:00 p.m.	+Aurora Garces, requested by the family
Saturday	7:00 p.m.	+Lily & Satha Selvaratnam, requested by the family
	9:00 a.m.	+Yohanna Titik Sundari, requested by S. McPherson

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, Halina Magdziak and Denise Wilde. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry by the grace of God.

Registration for the Sacraments

Saturday, October 1st to Sunday, October 23rd after all weekend Masses



There will be registration for students preparing for First Holy Communion and Confirmation each weekend after all Masses from Sat., Oct. 1st to Sun., Oct. 23rd. 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.



Legion of Mary Book Barrow

September 24th / 25th this weekend



The Legion of Mary invites you to speak to any of their members available this weekend after all Masses about the Legion. Books are also available free of charge.

ShareLife

Fulfilling the ShareLife mission in our community...



There are many people in our society who suffer from disabilities that affect their daily living. At Silent Voice, the deaf community can access

services to help both them and their families cope with their situation.

Tavis was a student who, with his mother's encouragement, participated in the basketball fun day for the deaf community hosted by Silent Voice, a ShareLife funded agency. Soon after, he joined a sports team for the deaf, and helped host sports clinics and events with the support of our agency. Tavis was eventually hired as a counselor, for the Silent Voice Sign Language Summer Day Camp. Today, he says 'I want to be a role model for deaf kids, and I'm grateful for how much Silent Voice has changed my life.' Last year, Silent Voice provided services to over 750 people in the deaf community, helping families to communicate with their deaf child, and improving access to services and creating a sense of belonging among the deaf community. Your support for ShareLife has helped to make this possible... you have worked wonders!

LifeChain

Sunday, October 2nd 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. 2nd 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.

Thank You !

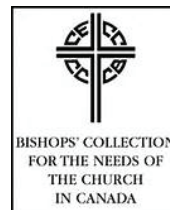


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Up collection.

Needs of the Church in Canada

September 24/25 second collection



The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) is mandated by the Holy See and the Bishops of Canada to assist dioceses and their Bishops in a number of areas of pastoral life: faith formation, doctrine, ecumenical dialogues, international relations, interreligious conversations, liturgy, relations with Indigenous Peoples, social justice and building a culture of life and family. Thank you for your consideration for today's second collection!

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