

# St. Thomas More Parish

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## Parish Staff

**Pastor:** Rev. Aegidius Warsito SCJ

**Associate Pastors:** Rev. Martin Kadamattu SCJ, Rev. Antonio Resende Pereira SCJ  
Priests of the Sacred Heart

**Secretaries:** Josie Elsner, Cathy Dessailly     **Religious Ed. Coordinator:** Michelle Peres

**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	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	<a href="mailto:stmparish.altarservers@gmail.com">stmparish.altarservers@gmail.com</a>
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](mailto:stthomasmore@rogers.com)

### Young Adults for Christ

Racine Senining.....[stmyac@gmail.com](mailto:stmyac@gmail.com)

## Parish Groups

### Parish Council

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

### Finance Council

Alan King.....416-284-7190

### Screening Committee

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

### St. Vincent de Paul Society

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

## Be a Compassionate and Sympathetic Person

In this Sunday's Gospel, a deaf-mute approaches Jesus and pleads with Him for healing. Jesus took him away from the crowd. Our Lord could have cured him in front of the people; but he understood the situation of the deaf-mute. Jesus showed his tenderness and compassion towards the plight of this deaf person by becoming totally involved with his situation. In other words, he was compassionate and sympathetic.

Why does Jesus take the person away from people's prying eyes?

It is likely that the deaf-mute person has developed an inferiority complex because of his handicap. Deaf-mute persons are normally shy because they can hardly communicate. Thus, it is understandable that individuals who are deaf-mute are not comfortable in the presence of many people. Jesus recognized this special need so the man was able to receive the loving assurance of Jesus.

The story of the healing of the deaf-mute person is our story too. Many of us as Christians are surrounded by people, some of whom are handicapped. We so easily believe that we are good Christians because we go Mass often and pray, but we do not care about people around us; we have no heart for the needy.

Today, Jesus wants to open our eyes and to respond with Jesus' compassion and love to the needs of our fellow human beings who need our understanding and material things.

Our reflection is: Do we have a compassionate and sympathetic attitude like Jesus? What should we do to be like Jesus? *Fr. Aegi Warsito, SCJ*

## Mass Intentions for September 4 – 11, 2021

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Paul Vas, requested by the D'Mello family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Rafaele, Sebastiana & Maria Privitera and Moses & Lucy Kennedy, requested by the Privitera family
	10:00 a.m.	+James Joven, requested by the family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Dominic Edward, requested by the family
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Joe Fox & Bernice McNamara, requested by the family
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Josephine & Cajetan Alvares & Suren Matkar, requested by J. Matkar
	7:00 p.m.	+Edward & Eileen Spraggs, requested by the family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Joe O'Reilly, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Chin Sen Huang, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Victor & Pearl Philip, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Giles Chaves & Lena D'Souza, requested by the family
		In thanksgiving, Regina Arrdaza
		+Rosie Mendes, requested by the D'Souza family
		+Anthony Fernandes, requested by the D'Souza family
+Nestor F. Dantes, requested by the family		
Friday	7:30 a.m.	+Priscila Celia Lim, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Gwen Whittle, requested by S. McPherson
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Greg Kershaw, requested by the family

## Some Changes – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Timings for private prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will now be changed to:

- 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on Tuesdays through to Fridays.

## Holiday Schedule for Labour Day

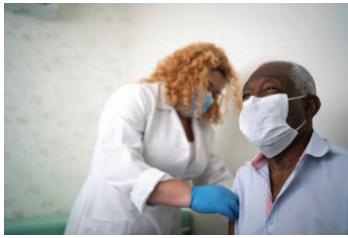
Monday, September 6, 2021



Mass on Mon., Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> will be at 9:00 a.m. only because of the Labour Day holiday. The parish office will also be closed for that day.

## COVID Vaccine Clinic at our Parish

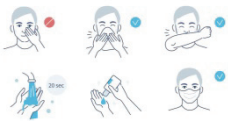
Sunday, September 19, 2021



Plans are being finalized to hold a COVID vaccine clinic at our parish (outside) on Sun., Sept. 19 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. A van will be

located in our church parking lot during this time for anyone who wishes to have more information or to get a vaccine. English and Spanish speaking staff will be on hand for assistance.

## Some Changes - Pandemic Protocols



According to the new guidelines from the Archdiocese of Toronto, we have the following protocols in place:

- The use of hand sanitizer will be available but will not be mandatory
- Sunday offertory collections will once again be taken up during weekend Masses
- Wearing masks and keeping socially distanced will continue to be mandatory
- Registration for attendance at Masses will not be required

If you have any concerns, please call the parish office at 416-439-1545.

## Prayers Needed for the Sick

We are praying for the sick: Mercedes C. Pescozo, Mary Lavrisa, John Difalco, Lee Esmonde, Ng Chen Ngo, Melinda Fumai, Roma Koonjoo, Jim McNamara, Dave MacDonald and those with COVID-19. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

## Sacramental Prep News

Email: [stmpsacraments@gmail.com](mailto:stmpsacraments@gmail.com)



### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

- Please call the parish office in September.

### CONFIRMATION

- Please call the parish office in September.

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

- Please call the parish office in September

## A Student's Prayer

My Lord and my God, thank You for the privilege and the ability to study. I ask from You: concentration and dedication, self-discipline and control, obedience and diligence, high ideals and noble objectives.

Teach me through Your good Spirit the importance of solid foundations; of efforts to obtain that which is worthwhile; of willingness and perseverance—for these are the cornerstones of success.

Keep me from being irresponsible and lazy; from a lack of principles; from short-sightedness and carelessness; from becoming discouraged when things get difficult; from making unnecessary mistakes and misjudgments that I could have avoided.

Help me to use the precious time You have given me responsibly and wisely; to use every opportunity to prepare myself for life.

Help me to keep the body You have given me healthy and fit. Keep me from contaminating it with wrong ways of living or wrong pleasures, thereby causing myself to become unfit for my life's mission.

Help me to sharpen the mind You have given me and to develop it to its full potential. Help me to use it properly as an instrument in Your service.

Help me to keep the heart you have given me pure and clean, so that my aspirations may always be noble.

I devote my spirit, soul and body to You. Mold me and shape me as You will and use me where You can.

I am in Your hands today, tomorrow and every day of my life.

I ask this in the name of my Redeemer and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

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