

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

Youth Ministry

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Silvio Escobar.....silvio.escobar@live.com

Youth Group

Lisette.....stthomasmoreyouthgroup22@gmail.com

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

Parish Groups

Parish Council

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

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

Ephphatha

How difficult it is to be deaf. More so to be both deaf and mute as this Gospel relates. That's why Jesus, out of compassion, heals a deaf and mute man. The great COMPASSION of Jesus tells us more in the way He cured him. The Gospel tells us that Jesus took the man away from the crowd, which shows His sensitivity to the situation of the embarrassed handicapped man.

Helping the deaf and mute is one way of **thanking God** for the great gifts of our speech and hearing which, more often than not, we take for granted. Deaf and mutes are not only those who are handicapped in speech and hearing, but also the social deaf-mutes who have no voice or influence in society, those to whom no one listens.

While we are thankful to the Lord for our healthy speech and hearing, we should not abuse them. We do this if we use our speech faculty by lying, or slander, or when we destroy the good name of others through false statements or telling the faults of someone in order to put him/her down.

Another lesson of this Gospel is that we can be **spiritually deaf**. That is, when we do not want to admit our mistakes and wrongdoings.

Therefore, let us imitate Jesus' compassion and ask forgiveness from God if we have failed in helping our handicapped brethren.

Our reflection is: Are we grateful to God for our healthy faculties of speech and hearing and show it by helping the handicapped? Are we deaf to our own faults and failings?

Fr. Aegi SCJ

Mass Intentions for September 8 – 15, 2018

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Greg, Alice & John Kershaw, requested by N. Grande
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Rafaele, Sebastiana & Maria Privitera and Moses & Lucy Kennedy, requested by the Privitera family
	10:00 a.m.	+Pricila Celia Lim, requested by the family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Eliseo & Adoracion Madulid, requested by the family
Monday	7:30 a.m.	+Emmanuel Arayata, requested by E. & D. Ching
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Josie Elsner
	7:00 p.m.	+Maxima S. Costiniano Jr., requested by the family
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	+Sathyavathy Puvanendran, requested by the Benedict family
	7:00 p.m.	+Mark Mantes, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Magdalena Chia, requested by Evelyn & family
	7:00 p.m.	In thanksgiving, Immanuel F. Lanzaderas & Reenu Sanil
		+Narcisa I. Ferrer, requested by the family
		+Mary Casper, requested by the James family
Friday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Judy Etele
		+Erlinda Zabella, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Joe Desa, requested by the family
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Michael Fernandes, requested by L. Fernandes

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Sunday, September 16, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.



There will be a meeting after the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sun., Sept. 16, 2018 of all catechists, helpers and anyone interested in assisting with the Children's Liturgy of the

Word program. If you wish more information, please contact Nora Lovgren at 416-439-1545.

Prayer and Life Workshops

Tuesdays from August 28th at 7:30 p.m.



A Prayer and Life Workshop is a series of sessions that helps you learn and deepen the art of prayer through different

methods of prayer. It emphasizes the importance of silence in prayer and through messages and practice most participants are able to achieve inner healing.

In every session we meditate on readings of the Word, practice a prayer method and listen to a message from the founder, Fr. Ignacio Larranaga, OFM Cap. The workshop consists of a two-hour weekly session for a period of 15 weeks and a final one-day retreat. The instruction is free and all workshop materials have a cost of \$15.00. For information or to register call Ana at 647-631-5115 or visit www.tovpil.ca/ontario.

St. Vincent de Paul "Bundle Up" Collection

Weekend of September 22 / 23, 2018

Bring your gently used clothing, shoes, linen and household goods to share with others on the weekend of Sept. 22 / 23. A St. Vincent de Paul truck will be in the church parking lot so please share what you can with those less fortunate. We will donate or sell these donations to support our outreach efforts. Thank you for your continued support.

Sunday TV Mass Broadcast Changes

The Sunday TV Mass broadcast times and stations have changed. Please see the flyer on the bulletin board in the church foyer to note the changes.

Life Chain

Sunday, September 30 at 2:00 p.m.



Life Chain is an annual prayerful and peaceful witness to the sanctity of human life and the harm of abortion.

Participants hold non-graphic signs with messages such as "Life: the first inalienable right" and "Abortion kills children" at hundreds of locations across North America for one hour. Please join us this year at the intersection of Markham & Ellesmere Roads on Sun., Sept. 30th from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Prayers Needed for the Sick



We are praying for the sick of our parish: Lourдина Rodrigues, Charlotte T. Thomas, Daphne Chater, Phyllis Cogliano, Albert Vella, Mary Anton Dias, Ivan Henriques, Anna Francesca Di Maio, Ofelia Lim, Hanna Hadden and James Dizon. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

Approaching the Annulment Process

Monday, October 29, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

St. Joseph's Church (200 Morrish Rd.) will hold a seminar on Mon., Oct. 29th at 7:00 p.m. with information about what the Catholic Church teaches about marriage, separation/divorce and annulments. The speaker will be Fr. Alex Laschuk JCD, Ph.D. For more information or to register, see <https://atapistj.eventbrite.ca> or call 416-587-7687.

Is God Calling You?



Did God not choose those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom? Count your blessings, then come and help others count theirs too, as a priest, religious or deacon. If you feel you have such a vocation, call Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 or at vocations@archtoronto.org.

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