

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	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	stmparish.altarservers@gmail.com
Ushers/Greeters	Percy D'Mello	647-404-5394
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Nardina Grande	416-419-8254
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 Minister

Mel Perpose.....melperpose@gmail.com

Young Adults for Christ

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

Parish Groups

Parish Council

Clara Peters-Onagoruwa.....416-439-1545

Finance Council

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

Screening Committee

Parish office.....416-439-1545

St. Vincent de Paul Society

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

Practicing Gratitude

Dear brothers and sisters, today's Gospel tells us the parable of the workers in the vineyard. Some people were hired in the early morning, some in the afternoon, and some in the last hour. When the evening came, the landowner paid them all the same wage. Those hired first and working longer complained that they didn't get more wages than those who started late in the day.

Brothers and sisters, just like the workers who grumbled, we often forget to be grateful. We become too preoccupied with comparing ourselves to others, and as a result, we are never truly grateful for what we have received. Our pride blinds us to seeing God's grace. In today's Gospel, the landowner had already provided a daily wage (a guarantee for a day's sustenance) to each worker. However, some workers did not view this as a blessing. Instead, they grumbled, feeling they deserved more than that. This parable reminds us that salvation is not something we simply obtain by our deeds. It is freely given by God to all who respond to His call. God is so generous. His generosity is not limited by human standards of fairness.

Dear brothers and sisters, today's Gospel encourages us to practice gratitude instead of complaining. There are many things we can be thankful for every day. We are grateful for the gift of life itself; for the food we can enjoy each day; for the presence of our husband/wife, children/grandchildren; for the opportunity to participate in the Eucharist, for the chance to welcome a new day, and so much more. Therefore, let us live out our lives while reflecting: Have I become a grateful person? How do I manifest my gratitude every day?

Bro. Henry Suharyono, SCJ

Mass Intentions for September 23 - 30, 2023

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Greg, Alice & John Kershaw, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Leonie & Louis Alphonso and Amarino & Lazarine D'Souza, requested by the family
	10:00 a.m.	+James Joven, requested by the family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the Parish community
	8:00 p.m.	+Espie & Alberto Osea, requested by the family
Monday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of Daniel Etele
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	+Juan B. Rey, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	+Sixto Antonio & Norman Gozun, requested by M. Gozun
		+Khalil McDoom, requested by friend
		Intentions of McLeod Robin
		+Soomintra Mangru, requested by the family
		+Juliet Tamaya, requested by the family
		+Francis Abat, requested by the family
+Emidio Donatelli, requested by the family		
+Constance Bastianpillai, requested by the family		
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	Intentions of David Nelson
	7:00 p.m.	+Rosalinda Gozun, requested by the family
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	+Souls in purgatory
	7:00 p.m.	+Tirso & Elizabeth Manadero, requested by G. Mantes
		+Harmond L. De Juan, requested by the family
		+Xavier Richard, requested by the family
		Intentions of the staff and students of St. Thomas More School
		+Steve Lancia, requested by the family
+Allan M. Hernandez, requested by the family		
Friday	7:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving and in honour of the Archangels
	7:00 p.m.	+Aurora Garces, requested by the family
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Aurora Garces and Valdis & Ayna Briedis

Seniors' Mass and Luncheon

Wednesday, September 27 at 11:00 a.m.



Our monthly Seniors' Mass will be held on Wed., Sept. 27 at 11:00 a.m. followed by a luncheon in the parish hall. All seniors are most welcome!

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Saturday, September 30th



Catholics throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in the collection being held on the weekend of Sept. 30/Oct. 1 to support the Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund. The

funds will support culture and language revitalization, education and community building, healing and reconciliation for communities and families. To date, the fund has raised close to 40% of the \$30 million target of which \$6 million will be contributed by the Archdiocese of Toronto. You can donate through our parish or online anytime at www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation.

Life Chain

Sunday, October 1st from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.



Life Chain is a prayerful and peaceful witness to the sanctity of all human life. Thousands of people of all ages and backgrounds

across North America gather each year to remind our fellow citizens of our duty to defend the weakest members of our society and to bring a much-needed message of love, hope and truth to our communities. Please join us on Sun., Oct. 1st from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the intersection of Markham and Ellesmere Roads. We will spread out along the sidewalk and pray silently for the hour. For further information, or to assist with the event, please contact Lorna at 416-526-4544.

Sacramental Prep News

Email: stmpsacraments@gmail.com



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

- Registration is now open at the parish office.

CONFIRMATION

- Registration is now open at the parish office.

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

Registration is now open at the parish office.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Sunday, October 1st after 10:00 a.m. Mass

There will be a volunteers' meeting on Sun., Oct. 1st after the 10:00 a.m. Mass for those interested in being catechists or helpers for the Children's Liturgy of the Word program. These volunteer hours also count towards high school volunteer hours. Light refreshments will be served. For information, contact Nardina at 416-831-9768.

ShareLife: Ensure no One Goes Hungry this Thanksgiving




We all feel it: the rising cost of living is hurting families, forcing many to seek food assistance for the first time.

Through our parish's support, ShareLife is committing over \$500,000 to support food banks and meal programs throughout the Archdiocese. That's why we need your help to support the fight against hunger. Please give at www.sharelife.org/donate or by giving at our parish using a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for living the Gospel!


Prayers Needed for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Martel Gordon-Tennant, Enza Savatti, Daphne Louis, Claire Alles, Josephine and Navene Habr, Jill Downs, Ana Lisa Patena, Theresa Tomaschek Sr., Sharmi Basnayaha, Victoria Munson, Conrad and Bertha Rodrigues, Ellie and Lina Vitello. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

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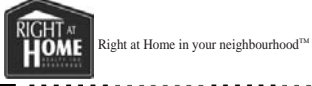
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