

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 7:15 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	Mark Opinaldo	stmparish.altarservers@gmail.com
Ushers/Greeters	Percy D'Mello	647-404-5394
Children's Liturgy of the Word	Nardina Grande	416-831-9768
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

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

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Annenshia Pathi Nathan.....stmyac@gmail.com

Parish Groups

Parish Council

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

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

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Gordon Lovgren.....416-439-7827

Legion of Mary

Vijitha Valentine.....416-438-6961

What Must We Do?

Last Sunday, St. Luke wrote about John the Baptist: *“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth, and flesh shall see the salvation of God.”*

This Sunday’s Gospel is a response from John’s call for repentance. When the people heard the message of repentance from John the Baptist they had one question. The tax collectors, the soldiers and the people asked this question: *“What must we do?”*

We too, as we look at many years of being a Catholic or follower of Jesus, we must also ask this question: *“What must we do?”* Yes, what must we do? What is it that the Lord wants us to do?

As we think about this, let us also remember that what we do flows from who we are. In other words, action flows from being. We need to think about who we are first, and then we will know what we must do. The mission that God has given to us, when we receive Baptism and Confirmation, is to be a sign of salvation and to lead people to Jesus the Saviour.

So, we are called to be signs of salvation, and that we know who Jesus is, and that others can see Jesus in us. But the question is: how do they see Jesus in us?

When others can see that Jesus in us, that we are a joyful and thankful people, that what we say, think, and do are a form of our love to Jesus, then they will want us to bring them to Church. They will want to know how to pray and how to be at peace. They will want to know who Jesus is and to seek forgiveness and healing.

Yes, when others see that this is who we are, then what we need to do will come naturally. God has called us to be His people and blessed us with the gift of faith. Therefore, let us be a blessing for others, so that as Church, we will journey on with rejoicing and thanksgiving.

Our reflection for the third Sunday of Advent is: what must we do as a Catholic? What does Jesus want us to do?

Fr. Aegidius Warsito SCJ

Mass Intentions for

December 14 – 21, 2024

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Christothram Arulappu, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Frank Bruns, requested by F. Bruns
	10:00 a.m.	+Pedro Gonzales
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the Parish Community
	8:00 p.m.	Intentions of our Priests and the families of the SERVIAM Ministry of St. Thomas More and Vocations to Priesthood and Religious Life
Monday	7:15 a.m.	+Kenn Shah, requested by S. McDoom
Tuesday	7:15 a.m.	Intentions of Fr. Aegi
	7:00 p.m.	+Fe Carlos, requested by the Joven family
		+Doris Peters, requested by Pat Patel
		Intentions of Nathanael, Vivian and Ella Rodrigues
		+Francisco Lagundi, requested by the family
		In thanksgiving, Sheela and Arthur
		+Tony Caparas
		Intentions of Magdalene Trotman
		Intentions of Selvin and Roshani
		+Benito Mayuga
Wednesday	7:15 a.m.	Thanksgiving and Intentions of the Esperanza family
	7:00 p.m.	+Eden Basio Rabino, requested by the family
Thursday	7:15 a.m.	Intentions of Anthony Lilliefeldt
	7:00 p.m.	+Members of Foss and holy souls in Purgatory, requested by E. Staszewski
		+Sarah Bedford -James, requested by the family
		+John, Tonia, and Chett Di Falco, requested the family
		In thanksgiving, Mildred Perumal
		+Gerrard Perumal, requested by the family
		In thanksgiving, Nelson, Clara, and family
		In thanksgiving, Sheela and Arthur
		+Rachel Siy, Antonio, and Clavel Solis
		+Crisanta Pasigan
Friday	7:15 a.m.	Intentions for Esperanza
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of Fr. Aegi and Fr. Martin
Saturday	7:15 a.m.	+Ivan Uribe Moreno, requested by V. Rey
	7:00 p.m.	+Kesera Rupasinghe and Godwin Wanigasinghe
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	+Santos Joseph, requested by Robin and Tina Lopes

Advent and Christmas Schedule

Confessions

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on Wednesday Dec 18th at 7:30 p.m. (English). This is an excellent way to prepare your heart for the coming of Jesus at Christmas.

Christmas eve Mass- The Vigil of the Christmas Dec 24th, 2024	English - 5:00 pm Spanish - 7:00 pm English: 9:00 pm English: 11:00 pm
Christmas Day- The Nativity of the Lord Dec 25th, 2024	English: 8:30 am English: 10:00 am English: 11:30 am Spanish: 2:00 pm
New Year's Eve Mass Dec 31st, 2024	No morning mass 6:00 pm Spanish 8:00 pm English
New Year's Day Mass -Solemnity of Mary Mother Our God Jan 1, 2025	English: 8:00 am English: 10:00 am English: 12:00 noon Spanish: 2:00 pm

THANK YOU!

THANK You SO VERY much We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all performers and volunteers who dedicated their efforts to the **New Noel Christmas Concert**. Their contributions made the evening truly memorable. We also extend our appreciation to all Parishioners who attended the concert and generously supported our cause.

A big thank you also to all the volunteers who generously gave of their time to help clean our church.

Mass Schedule Changes

Beginning **January 1st, 2025**, our Sunday Mass schedule will be changing. The new Mass times will be as follows:

8:00 AM, 10:00 AM and 12:00 PM

These changes are being made to ease our parking situation.

The 2:00 pm (Spanish) and 8:00 PM evening Masses remain unchanged. We look forward to seeing you at Mass!

SACRAMENTAL PREP NEWS

Email: stmpsacraments@gmail.com

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

- Registration is now closed.

CONFIRMATION

- Registration is now closed.

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

- Registration is closed.

Pilgrim Virgin Statue

The Pilgrim Virgin Statue is a blessed replica of our Blessed Mother. It is a traveling sacramental offered by the Legion of Mary to be given to any home, wishing to create a prayerful, sanctifying space where family and friends are encouraged to pray the Rosary, and meditate its mysteries. All parishioners are welcome to request the statue.

If you are interested in having the Pilgrim Virgin Statue in your home, please sign your name in the binder provided at the back of the church and a Legion member will contact you.

Seniors' Mass and Luncheon

Wednesday, December 18th at 11:00 a.m.



Our monthly Seniors' Mass will be held on Wed, December 18th at 11:00 a.m. followed by a luncheon in the parish hall.

All seniors are most welcome!

Prayers Needed for the Sick



We are praying for the sick of our parish: Jill Downs, Melina and Rolando Castillo, Keith Achue, Victoria Munson, Marion Blake, Jose Benjamin Mallari and Tina Lopes. May they be supported by our prayers and pastoral ministry and by the grace of God.

Pilgrimage to Italy- Jubilee 2025

Oct 10-22, 2025, 13 days- \$5090

Under the spiritual leadership of **Fr. Antonio Resende Pereira S.C.J., Pastor**, Our Lady of Rosary Parish in Scarborough, we are pleased to invite you to a very special pilgrimage to Italy.

For more information contact:

Tour Coordinator: Lin T

Tel : 416-837-9306

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