

# St. Thomas More Parish

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## Parish Staff

**Pastor:** Rev. Aegidius Warsito SCJ

**Associate Pastor:** Rev. Martin K. Antony SCJ Priests of the Sacred Heart

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

**Pastoral Council Chair:** Clara Peters- Onagoruwa **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 7:15 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	Patrick Pillainayagam	<a href="mailto:stmparish.altarservers@gmail.com">stmparish.altarservers@gmail.com</a>
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](mailto:melperpose@gmail.com)

Young Adults for Christ

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

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

Legion of Mary

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

## God's Time

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus said: *"The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe in the good news."*

The time that Jesus mentioned in this verse is not about how much time or what is the time or when is the time. Rather the time here is understood as God's time, it is an appointed time, a time that is in God's plan. It is a time when things happen and people move, not by human will or human determination, but by the power of God's will.

It is said that when it is not God's time, we cannot force it. But when it is God's time, we cannot stop it. But how do we know when it is God's time?

For Jesus, the time had come when He heard that John the Baptist was arrested. It was time for Him to proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom of God and the message of salvation and repentance. As for us, we should realise by now that we cannot force people to get things done even if it is for their own good. It is just like the egg. If the egg is broken by an outside force, life is ended. But if the egg is broken by an inside force, life begins.

Sure, great things always begin from within, from the inside. Jesus proclaimed the message of repentance, but it is also in God's time that repentance and conversion happen and it happens from within.

Therefore, as we think about what God's time for us and the signs are that He is showing us, let us heed the call to repentance and remember that things can only happen with prayer and it must begin from the inside, it must begin from the heart.

Our reflection is: how do we respond to God's time? How do we answer Jesus' invitation for repentance and to believe in the Good News?

*Fr. Aegidius Warsito, SCJ*

## Mass Intentions for January 20 – 27, 2024

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Ofelia Lim, requested by the family
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Judy Lorza, requested by V. Rey
	10:00 a.m.	+James Joven, requested by the family
	11:30 a.m.	Intentions of the Parish Community
	8:00 p.m.	+Cesar Liwanag, requested by the family
Monday	7:15 a.m.	+Emerenciana Lim, requested by the family
Tuesday	7:15 a.m.	+Rita Amirthampillai, requested by S. Solomon
	7:00 p.m.	+Amor Maranon, requested by M. Gozun
		Intentions of John and Gisella Marton
		+Timothy Aseervatham, requested by the Benedict Family
		+Deron Camillus, requested by the family
		+Patrick Xavier Fernando, requested by V. Valetine
		Intentions of the Dunklin family
		Intentions of Linette Martis
		In thanksgiving, Jake's family
Wednesday	7:15 a.m.	+Cesar Guerrero, requested by G. Mantes
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of Ajith and Marietta Pillainayagam
Thursday	7:15 a.m.	+Jade Nelly Faller, requested by the family
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions of Timothy Francis
		+Kayumba Claver Pierre, requested by the family
		+Beatrice Kamaraba, requested by the family
		+Tecla Lobo, requested by I. Sheikh
		Intentions of Krisanne and Keegan
		+Josefa Villahermosa, requested by the family
Friday	7:15 a.m.	Intentions of the families of the Serviam Ministry of St. Thomas More, our priests and for vocations to the priesthood and religious life
	7:00 p.m.	Intentions and in thanksgiving
Saturday	7:00 p.m.	+Xavier Richard
	9:00 a.m.	+Ludger Gomes, requested by the family

## Catholic School Registration

Registration for Catholic schools in the TCDSB will begin on Wed., Jan. 24, 2024. For more information, please call 416-222-8282.

## VALENTINE'S + LUNAR NEW YEAR'S DINNER AND DANCE

Join us for a fun evening on

**Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>**

beginning at 6:30 p.m.

in our parish hall as we celebrate our

### Valentine's + Lunar New Year's Dinner and Dance!

A buffet dinner will be served for your enjoyment along with a cash bar!

There will be door prizes and gifts for all the lucky ones!!

There will also be many raffle draws!

Dinner and Dance tickets are available for \$50.00 each.

Raffle tickets are available for \$20.00 for 20 tickets  
after all Masses each weekend.

If you wish to be a sponsor for this Dinner and Dance to advertise your business,  
please call the parish office (416-439-1545).

### Marriage Sunday

Sunday, February 11 at 3:00 p.m.



Archbishop Francis Leo will  
preside at a special Mass to  
honour married couples on  
Sun., Feb. 11 at 3:00 p.m. at St.  
Michael's Cathedral Basilica.

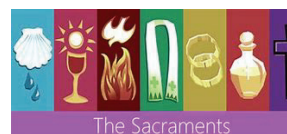
Couples celebrating a 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>,  
50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or 60<sup>th</sup>+ wedding anniversary in 2024  
may register for reserved seating. All other  
seating is on a first-come, first-served basis.  
Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral  
are invited to join the celebration via  
[www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live](http://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live)

### Prayers Needed for the Sick

We are praying for the sick of our parish: Merglin  
Lewis, Victor Lim, Tina Lopes, Corrine  
Alphonso, Jason Bornstien, Kenneth Colaco,  
Roberto Huang, Kendrick Mohammed, Victoria  
Munson, Austin Rosario, Martel Gordon-  
Tennant, Enza Savatti, Claire Alles, Frank  
Palmiari, Ana Lisa Patena, Theresa Tomashek  
Sr., Sharmi Basnayaha, and Alisha May Lobo.  
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

- Registration is now closed.

#### CONFIRMATION

- Registration is now closed.

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

- Registration is now closed.

### Catholic Cemeteries and Funeral Services

Sunday, January 28 at morning Masses

Catholic Cemeteries and Funeral Services  
(operated under the auspices of the Archdiocese  
of Toronto) will have a representative, Frank  
Jannetta, to answer any questions you may  
have in regard to our Catholic beliefs for funerals  
and burials.

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