

# St. Thomas the Apostle Church

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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Pastor - Fr. Allyn Rose (ext. 222)

Associate Pastor - Father Patrick Gnanapragasam (ext 224)

Deacon - Everis Munroe (ext. 223)

Deacon - Sarfaraz Pinto (ext. 226)

Youth Minister - Hill Roshan Arulnesam (ext 225)

Secretary - Jackie Mackenzie (ext. 221)

## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00, 10:30 and 12:00 noon

Ask ushers for listening - aid devices

## WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday through Friday 12:10 and 7:30 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. (at Convent)

Thurs. evening Mass is in Latin - *forma ordinaria*

## ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Thursdays and Fridays after noon Mass until

Benediction at 7:15 p.m.

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:30 - 5:00 and 15 minutes before all Sunday Masses

Monday through Friday 11:45-12:00 and 7:00-7:15

## DEVOTIONS TO

### OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesdays before & after evening Mass.

## BAPTISMS

Will be the First and Fourth Sundays  
of each month at 1:30 p.m.

An information package should be picked up  
at the Parish Office before meeting with the deacon.

## MARRIAGES

An information package should be picked up at the Parish

Office before meeting with the priest.

One year advanced planning is required.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Families should notify the Parish Office  
in the event of serious illness.

*“Dominus meus et Deus meus”*

## SCHOOLS

Mother Teresa	905-475-8025
St. Benedict	905-475-9646
St. Francis Xavier	905-470-2225

## YORK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

[www.ycdsb.ca](http://www.ycdsb.ca)

## PARISH GROUPS

Altar Boys	Father Allyn Rose	Parish Office
Lectors	Anna Torres	416-335-9142
Ushers	Alex Ho-Shue	905-479-2543
Children's Liturgy	Winnie Thien	905-940-1059
Screening Coordinator	Liz Pinto	905-889-5755
R.C.I.A.	Juliette Huang	416-495-1067
Legion of Mary Sr.	Amy Rebeiz	647-643-2232
Legion of Mary Jr.	Juliette Huang	416-495-1067
Prayer Group	Al Jacob	905-477-0632
Society of St. Vincent de Paul		905-474-1224 ext. 230
Knights of Columbus	Philip Lee	905-475-6776

## PARISH MUSICIANS

### Organists

Christopher Ku/Kevin Ku	416-298-2541
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## DAY CARE

St. Mary of Leuca	90-475-2536
St. Mary of Leuca CONVENT	905-475-2350
HighBirch Before and After School	416-580-8876

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# Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday	12:10 p.m.
Repose of the Soul of Mary Holland (Jackie Mackenzie)	
Monday	7:30 p.m.
Intentions of Donna Lee (Family)	
Tuesday	12:10 p.m.
Repose of the soul of Alvin Smith (Jackie Mackenzie)	
Tuesday	7:30 p.m.
+Mrs. Shiu Ngor Chan (Seto Family)	
Wednesday	12:10 p.m.
+Lawrence Cheng (Cheng Family)	
Wednesday	7:30 p.m.
+Isaac Bulos (Bulos Family)	
Thursday	12:10 p.m.
Intentions of the Gaskin and Greaves Families	
Thursday	7:30 p.m.
In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of Teresa Tang	
Friday	12:10 p.m.
+Mrs. Patty Wong (Margaret Tse)	
Friday	7:30 p.m.
Repose of the soul of John Garel (Family)	
Saturday	9:00 a.m.
Intentions of Robert Sum (Family)	
Saturday	5:00 p.m.
Intentions of Shirley and Peter Poon (Family)	
Sunday	9:00 a.m.
+Francine Messier (Pardons Family)	
Sunday	10:30 a.m.
Intentions of Agnes and Richard Lai-Cheong (Family)	
Sunday	12:00 p.m.

For the People of the Parish

## THE TWENTY- FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

### PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Bob Hustins, Cleo Savoie, Elizabeth Wong, Raquel Pinto, Joseph Yu, Anne Canagasuriam, Harry Ramadhin, Johnny Luu, Eric Maddan, Rita Yu, Erwin Ishmael, Luiza Pinto, Peter Ngan, Helen Yu-Kiu Leung, Giuseppina Sala, Michael Ramoutar, Alwin Siu, Fu Pui, Anna Starkiewicz, Olivia D'Souza, Lori Go Juan, Anthony De Sousa, Alroy Jacob and Lubomir Ivicic, Margaret Wong, Ara Koumd Jian

### PRAY FOR THE DEAD:

Father Kenneth MacAulay, Violet Patel and for those who have no one to pray for them.

### DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

If you know of anyone in your family or among your friends who has expressed an interest in the Catholic faith or becoming Catholic, invite them to contact Juliette Huang (416)495-1067 before early September. The sessions surrounding the R.C.I.A. (Rite for the Christian Initiation of Adults) will begin in the fall.

REGISTRATION FOR CONFIRMATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION has begun. Registration forms have been given to grade seven students and grade two students in our parish Catholic Schools for Confirmation and First Holy Communion. Those in other schools should register at our parish office before September 25. Students in other grades who have not received Baptism, First Confession, First Holy Communion or Confirmation should contact the parish office.

CATECHISTS ARE NEEDED every year to assist those who are preparing to become Catholic through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.) and those preparing for Confirmation and First Holy Communion. If you would like to serve as a catechist, contact Juliette Huang.

### HELP WANTED!

The Youth Ministry team is looking for a lot of volunteers to help run the EDGE program at St. Thomas the Apostle. We are looking for volunteers who work well with young people and have a heart for leading them closer to Christ. If you are interested please contact Hill, our youth minister. **Hill – (647) 281-0062** [StThomastheApostleYouth@gmail.com](mailto:StThomastheApostleYouth@gmail.com)

COME AND JOIN US ON FRIDAY OCTOBER 13, 2017 IN CELEBRATING THE 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE LAST APPARITION OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA, WHICH OCCURRED ON OCTOBER 13, 1917

We will begin with a procession at 6:30 p.m. from the St. Mary de Leuca outdoor grotto (290 Risebrough Circuit) to the Church.

Megaphone and volunteers needed. Please call office at 905-474-1224 if you can help. Thank you.

WALK-IN COUNSELLING at Catholic Family Services  
York Region  
(21 Dunlop St., Richmond Hill) on Mondays and Tuesdays from 1:00-9:00 ([www.ccsyr.org](http://www.ccsyr.org))

## ALL PARISHIONERS SHOULD BE REGISTERED

and are asked to support the parish and the needs of the Church by using Sunday Offertory Envelopes and making up for any absence during vacation. New parishioners are asked to register in the parish office.

## TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMESUNDAY SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

"If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's." consider service as a priest, deacon, brother or sister. If God is calling you **Contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. email [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org) [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)**

## PROVIDE A MEAL

is a monthly opportunity for the people of our parish to bring a frozen shepherd's pie which will be picked up by the Good Shepherd Centre and provide a meal for those in need. The empty containers are available for pick-up the first weekend every month and the donated pies are collected in our freezer the second weekend every month. Thanks to many parishioners who have been participating for years to help meet the needs of the homeless. For more information contact Juliette Huang (416) 495-1067

## CELEBRATE YOUR MARRIAGE WITH A WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND!

.Celebrate your love and take a fresh look at your marriage! Spend a very special weekend together. A Weekend of discovery...a lifetime of love! Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a weekend getaway that help married couples rediscover themselves as individuals and as a couple. The Weekend format helps couples communicate openly and honestly without group sharing, therapy or marriage counselling.

**Upcoming Weekend: October 20-22, 2017 (Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga)**

**For more information and application, please go to [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org) or contact: Gerard and Marge McCauley at [Gerard.marge@rogers.com](mailto:Gerard.marge@rogers.com) or (905) 792-1925.**

## LEGION OF MARY

**New Members are welcome.** The senior Legion meets in the sacristy on Thursday at 8:10 and the Junior Legion on Friday from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. **For more information, please contact Amy Rebeiz: 647-643-2232 [amyrebeiz@gmail.com](mailto:amyrebeiz@gmail.com)**

## ALTAR SERVERS

Boys as young as grade 4 who would like to become Altar Servers should contact Father Allyn Rose to begin preparation. This involves a serious commitment and support from parents.

## THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

in our parish is looking for a few new names to accomplish their good work serving our community. Volunteer hours for High School students in the community may be served in our parish. For more information contact Patrick Lynch (905) 477-3703.

## FORMED

The Parish has paid for a subscription to Formed **FOR THE WHOLE PARISH.** This is only for parishioners. **You can register by going to: [Formed.org](http://Formed.org)** Put your own email and the parish access number which is: 6K2ZMY Then register and enjoy: when you are on the website you can go to Study, watch, listen or read.

## "WATCH" GOD'S MIGHTY SERVANT

This is the amazing story of Sister Pascalina Lehert (1894-1983), who was the personal confidant and secretary to Pope Pius XII for forty years, when he was the papal nuncio in Germany, and then after for his whole pontificate. The Pope had great confidence in her wisdom, energy, and loyalty, and she became known as the "the most powerful woman in the history of the Vatican."

## POPIELUSZKO

The stirring, powerful true story of Blessed Jerzy Popieluszko, the courageous young priest and martyr who became the chaplain and spiritual leader of the large trade union in Poland, called Solidarity, in the 1980s. At thirty-seven years old, Fr. Popieluszko was brutally murdered by Communist agents for his outspoken defense of his people and for proclaiming the teachings of the Church on human rights and the dignity of the human person.

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