

# St. Thomas the Apostle Church

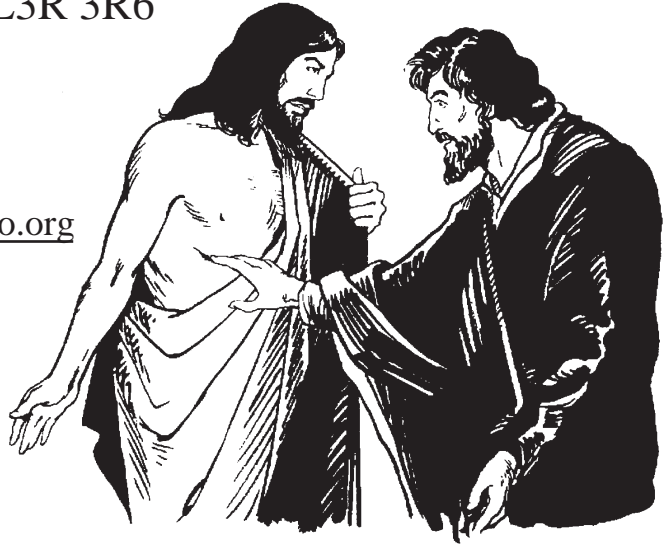
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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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 7:00 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 6:45 p.m.

## CONFESSIONS

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

Monday through Friday from 11:45-12:00 and 6:30 to 6:45

## DEVOTIONS TO

### OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesdays before & after evening Mass.

## BAPTISMS

Will be the Second and Fourth Saturdays  
of each month at 9:30 a.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”

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### DAY CARE

St. Mary of Leuca 90-475-2536

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All Weekend and weekday  
Masses have been cancelled until  
further notice.

The Church and Offices are closed  
until further notice.

The phone and email are checked  
each day.

Father Allyn Rose and Father  
Patrick will be available for  
confession by appointment.  
Leave your Name and number and  
they will get back to you.

They are also available for  
anointing of the sick

The Masses each day are said for  
the People of the parish. No one  
can attend these but they are  
offered for this intention.

No other Mass intentions will be  
accepted at this time.

**Church Secretary cell phone  
number if you need to get in  
touch. Jackie Mackenzie  
647-530-8872**

**Peace and Blessings on  
all mothers today and  
Let Perpetual Light  
shine on all mothers  
who have died this year.**

## **FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER** **SUNDAY MAY 10, 2020**

**PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Bob Hustins, Elizabeth Wong, Eric Maddan, Giuseppina Sala, Michael Ramoutar, Anna Starkiewicz, Fitzroy James, Joyce D'Souza, Esther Cholakian, Lawrence Lee, Maribel Monje, William Lee Ah-Chong, Antonio Tiongson, Alban Munroe, Nancy Lyn Arsenault, Vartouhi Kapandjian, Ardemis Moushian, Josephine Pereira, Chuba Asad, Margaret Carter, Rita Yu, Louis Ma, Erlinda Tiongson, Belen Alcalde, Clemente Magnayi, Bettina Isabel Andal, Angelo Drago, Lilia Tiongson, Marian Pereira, Gene Chong, Maris-Stella Ram-Kumar, Ancilla Campo, Bernard Ho, Loretta Ho Agnes Yuen, William Liu, Helen Dvorak, Edilberto Claveria and for all those who are sick with the Covid – 19 Virus.

**PRAY FOR THE DEAD:** Father Juan Gerardo Trivino Torres, Father John Donlin, Father Alphonse De Valk, Ron Williams for all those who have died from the Covid – 19 Virus and for those who have no one to pray for them.

### **FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Acts 6.1-7

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** 1 Peter 2.4-9

**Gospel:** John 14.1-12 – *Jesus the Way to the Father*

#### *Exercising our Priestly Call*

“Beloved: let yourselves be build into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood.” These are the words of St. Peter that we find in the second reading today. St. Peter exhorts us to see ourselves as priests. The Catechism says “the faithful exercise their baptismal priesthood through their participation, each according to his own vocation, in Christ’s mission as priest, prophet, and king” (CCC 1546)

What is the primary and essential act that priests perform? The answer is simply that priests offer sacrifices. The USCCB in their *Pastoral Letter on Stewardship* says that “in exercising this office, [disciples] most fully realize the meaning of [their] Christian stewardship.

To be an authentic steward is to offer our God-given gifts back to God for the good of the Church and our parishes. Essentially, it is to sacrifice our lives for Christ, just as He sacrificed Himself for our salvation. That is why He is the true, high priest that we strive to emulate. The USCCB goes on to say that “part of what is involved here for Catholics is a stewardship of time, which should include setting aside periods for family prayer, for the reading of Scripture, for visits to the Blessed Sacrament, for attendance at Mass during the week whenever this is possible.” **(after this trial of Covid – 19)**

Let us conclude this reflection by asking ourselves, how well are we living up to the call of being part of the royal priesthood of Christ?

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CAN BE FOUND ON OUR PARISH WEBSITE AND ON FACEBOOK**

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**email: [stthomastheapostle@bellnet.ca](mailto:stthomastheapostle@bellnet.ca)**

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**we received \$3,421.62 May 3, 2020 includes what people have mailed in, dropped off and Pag.**

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