

# 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 Second and Fourth Sunday  
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

# Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday	12:10 p.m.
+Philomena (Bong) Cheong (Family)	
Monday	7:30 p.m.
+John O'Connell (Lynch Family)	
Tuesday	12:10 p.m.
+Winnie Tang (Stanley Kondziolka)	
Tuesday	7:30 p.m.
+Margaret and Christopher D'Sylva +Valerie and Jackie Rodrigues (Family)	
Wednesday	12:10 p.m.
+Michael Nasello (Helen and Dominic Florio)	
Wednesday	7:30 p.m.
In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of Al Jacob	
Thursday	12:10 p.m.
+Edmond Lynch (Family)	
Thursday	7:30 p.m.
Souls in Purgatory	
Friday	12:10 p.m.
+Helen Leung (John and Yoke Lan)	
Friday	7:30 p.m.
+Harry Ramadhin (Family)	
Saturday	9:00 a.m.
For the living and deceased members of the Daughters of St. Mary of Leuca and for their living and deceased families. (Jackie Mackenzie)	
Saturday	5:00 p.m.
+Bernadette Tow-Ying Ah-Chong (JP and Virginie Chan)	
Sunday	9:00 a.m.
For the people of the parish	
Sunday	10:30 a.m.
+Karin Kellay (John and Yoke Lan)	
Sunday	12:00 p.m.
+James Wu (Family)	

## FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY JANUARY 28, 2018

**PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Bob Hustins, Cleo Savoie, Elizabeth Wong, Raquel Pinto, Joseph Yu, Anne Canagasuriam,, Johnny Luu, Eric Maddan, Rita Yu, Erwin Ishmael, Luiza Pinto, Peter Ngan, Giuseppina Sala, Michael Ramoutar, Alwin Siu, Fu Pui, Anna Starkiewicz, Ivicic, Ara Koumd Jian, Ester Cholakean, Fitzroy James and Ruth Pullen

**PRAY FOR THE DEAD:** Remedios Nabong, and for or those who have no one to pray for them.

### THE FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD (CANDLEMAS) – FEBRUARY 2<sup>ND</sup>

In the Gospel for this feast the prophet Simeon proclaims Jesus to be “a light for revelation to the gentiles.” As such it has been a longstanding tradition to bless candles for homes during the Mass on this day, candles symbolizing the “Light of Christ. These candles may be used for prayer or during power outages as we ask for Christ to protect us from all harm. Parishioners are welcome to bring their own candles to the Masses and have them blessed or make an offering to take home candles provided by the parish.

### WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

Will be celebrated in the Church on Friday, February 2, 2018 and in parishes this weekend. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God’s gift of their vocation.

All are welcome to come to a special Mass presided by Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick today Sunday, January 28 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Paul’s Basilica, 83 Power St., Toronto to celebrate with and pray for these men and women religious who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our Archdiocese.

### 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)

### THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Pray to know how God wants to use your talents and abilities. Could it be He is calling you to consider priesthood, religious life or deaconate? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, **call 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)

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ALL PARISHIONERS SHOULD BE REGISTERED and are asked to support the parish and the needs of the Church by using Sunday Offertory Envelopes and for making up for an absence during vacation. **New parishioners are asked to register in the parish office.**

THE KNIGHTS ARE SELLING TICKETS FOR THEIR SECOND ANNUAL VALENTINE DANCE

Adults \$35.00 Children under 12 \$20.00 Tickets are being sold after all Masses.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE MASS WITH CARDINAL COLLINS – FEBRUARY 11<sup>TH</sup> AT 3:00 P.M.

As part of Marriage Sunday 2018 celebrations, Cardinal Thomas Collins will preside at a special Mass to honor couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2018. If you (or a couple you know) are celebrating a 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> or 60<sup>th</sup>+ wedding anniversary this year, they are invited to join in this special celebration. The Mass will take place at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 11 at Blessed Trinity Parish (220 Bayview Ave – North York). A reception will follow Mass. All are welcome to attend – couples celebrating milestone anniversaries are asked to register online to ensure reserved seating. Registration and other important information can be found at: [www.archtoronto.org/marriage](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage) or by calling (416) 934-3400, x 523.

OUR PARISH PRAYER GROUP WILL PRAY FOR YOUR INTENTIONS

If you could write out your requests for particular intentions and place them in the box located near the statue of our Patron, St. Thomas the Apostle.

2018 CHARISMATIC LENTEN RETREAT

**The Eucharist – Source and Summit of our Faith**

**Where:** Marylake Retreat Centre, 13760 Keele St., King City  
**When:** Thursday March 8 to Sunday March 11  
**Arrival Time:** Between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m.  
**Retreat Director:** Father Dominic Borg, OCD  
**Love Offering:** \$225.00 (Single) \$215.00 (Double) \$200.00 (Triple)  
includes 8 full meals and Retreat Director's gratuity  
**For information:** Al Jacob – 416-697-7179 Pramilla Albuquerque – 416-953-2691  
[Stthomastheapostle.prayergroup@gmail.com](mailto:Stthomastheapostle.prayergroup@gmail.com)

**Note:** Space is limited to 58 participants. Registration will be accepted on a first-come basis. Please make cheque out to “The Augustinian Fathers” and mail to Al Jacob, 49 Central Park Dr., Markham, ON L3P 7S3

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))

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.

CANADIAN HEARTS AND HANDS: A MISSION WITHOUT BORDERS **It is always a pleasure to welcome new volunteers - many are needed to satisfy the need but just one, can make the difference. Below I have listed the names and days/time of the GTA projects. Feel free to google canadianheartsandhands.ca All the GTA projects are served on Sundays of every month (no exceptions) as follows:**

- **First Sunday - St Vincent's kitchen, 51 King St. East, Oshawa. 9:00 am to 3:00 pm: Determine menu, prepare and serve a four-course meal and clean up.**
- **Second Sunday - Happy Hour (prerequisites: TB shots and police clearance) Tendercare Living Center, 1020 McNicoll Avenue, Scarborough, 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Serving seniors in Scarborough. Help them play BINGO and other games (prerequisites not necessary for games only)**
- **Third Sunday - Good Shepherd, 412 Queen St. East, downtown TO. 8:00 am to noon: make beds, do laundry, help in kitchen, sort out food or where ever needed.**

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** 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.

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