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 11:45-12:00 and 6:45-7:15

DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesdays before & after evening Mass.

BAPTISMS

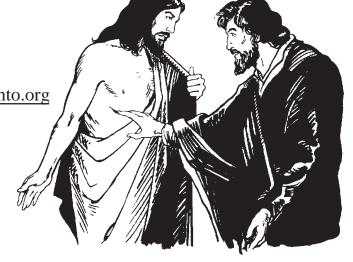
Will be the Second and Fourth Saturdays of each month at 9:30 a.m. An information package should be picked up at the Parish Office before meeting with the deacon.

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.



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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	416-697-7179
Society of St. Vincent de Paul 905-474-1224 ext. 230		
Knights of Columbus	Philip Lee	905-475-6776
Youth Group	Hill Arulnesam	647-281-0062

PARISH MUSICIANS Organists

Christopher Ku/Kevin Ku 416-298-2541

DAY CARE

 St. Mary of Leuca
 90-475-2536

 St. Mary of Leuca CONVENT
 905-475-2350

Monday

12:10 p.m.

In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of John Chiu

(Teresa Chiu)

Monday

7:00 p.m.

+Nenita Geronimo (Family)

Tuesday

12:10 p.m.

Intentions of Ike Bulos (Family)

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Tuesday

7:00 p.m.

+Charles Quadros (Family)

Wednesday

12:10 p.m.

+Vincenzo, Vincenza, Frank and Luciano Gisonni (Melina Del Medico)

Wednesday

7:00 p.m.

Intentions of Claudine and Wade Mak (Paul Chong Ah Yan Family)

Thursday

12:10 p.m.

+Bert Chichioco (Cely and Family)

Thursday

7:00 p.m.

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Friday

12:10 p.m.

In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of Theresa Tang

Friday:

7:00 p.m.

+Magno and Cipriana Dinglasan

(Family)

Saturday

9:00 a.m.

+Jin Imm Tan (Tan Family)

Saturday

5:00 p.m.

+Doreen Thambirajah (Family)

Sunday

9:00 a.m.

Living and Deceased Members of the Mackenzie and McTaggart Families (Jackie Mackenzie)

Sunday

10:30 a.m.

For the People of the Parish

Sunday

12:00 p.m.

+Gina Figliomeni (Helen and Dominic Florio)

TWENTY- FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 22, 2019

PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Bob Hustins, Elizabeth Wong, Anne Canagasuriam, Eric Maddan, Giuseppina Sala, Michael Ramoutar, Anna Starkiewicz, Fitzroy James, Andrew Carb, Joyce D'Souza, Esther Cholakian, Lawrence Lee, Maribel Monje, William Lee Ah-Chong, Jonrick Carlo Bautista, 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, Peggy Shim, Clemente Magnayi, Andrew, Junny and Alfonso Hung, Bettina Isabel Andal, Angelo Drago, Lilia Tiongson and Gillian Castleford.

PRAY FOR THE DEAD:

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.

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 amy.rebeiz@gmail.com

ALTAR SERVERS – Boys as young as grade 4 who would like to become Altar Servers should contact Mark Huang to begin preparation. This involves a serious commitment and support from parents. Call the parish office at 905-474-1224

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.

ALPHA PROGRAM VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Alpha Program will be launching soon at the parish and we are looking for volunteers that are willing to help with setup and tear down, small group leaders, and audio-video. Please call or email Hill at (647)281-0062 or StThomasTheApostleYouth@gmail.com

PAG (PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING)

Those who would like to use PAG can fill out the Authorization Form along with a void cheque and hand it in the office Sunday 10:00 - 2:00 and Monday to Friday 9:00 - 4:00 or you could put it in an envelop and put it in the collection. First offering will be taken out October 20^{th} . There is still a few weeks to hand in your PAG form and void cheque.

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.

PARISH OFFERTORY

Weekly goal 7,500.00 (to meet our expenses) We received: \$6,076.45 (September 15, 2019)

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

From September 28/29 to November 9/10

Please place food donations on cart by washrooms downstairs. Thank you.

THANKSGIVING DRIVE

For the Good Shepherd Centre

A Shelter providing services for homeless and disadvantaged

This year Deacon Sarfaraz Pinto's workplace is collecting men's disposable razors and shaving cream as the Good Shepherd Centre is in urgent need of the same.

Kindly see if you could help provide this gift of dignity to those among us in need. Donations can be made in king or cash either to Deacon Sarfaraz or to Jackie at the Parish Office by October 6, 2019. Thank you for your kind support!!!

Who relies on Good Shepherd? Many men and women attend the meal program, drop-in and use the services of the medical clinic. Most of our clients suffer from poverty. Many of our clients suffer from serious health conditions: heart disease, cancer, diabetes and brain injury. Clients of Good Shepherd Ministries reflect Toronto's cultural diversity. For more information, go to: goodshepherd.ca

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

We cannot serve two masters. Which one are you willing to follow? Could it be you are being called to serve the Master as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, **contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997**

email vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

REGISTRATION FOR CONFIRMATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION

Will begin at the parish office in September. Registration forms will be 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. All registrations must be handed in before October 6th for First Holy Communion and October 28th for Confirmation.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR YOUTH MINISTRY

Maybe you have an interest in Church history, prayer, the sacramental life, defending the faith, societal issues, sports, and/or educating young people, or maybe you would like to com help with snacks and organization for a 2-4 evening/month commitment to EDGE or Life Teen programs at the parish. Please call or email Hill at (647)281-0062

ST. PATRICK'S PARISH, MARKHAM BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

For adults over the age of 18.

Meetings held weekly September 30 to November 25, 2019

March 23 to May 25, 2020

Space is limited! To register, visit our website at: www.stpatrick.on.ca and download our registration package or contact our parish at 905-294-5955

PRE-REGISTRATION IS MANDATORY.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES OF YORK REGION

Main office: 21 Dunlop Street, Unit 101 Richmond Hill L4C 2M6 1-800-263-2075, 905-770-7040 Ext 241 – Counselling. CCSYR is a multicultural agency and welcomes people from all ethnic, religious and cultural backgrounds regardless of marital status or sexual orientation. CCSYR is a member of Family Service Ontario and is accredited by the Canadian Centre for Accreditation All locations are wheelchair accessible.

ARE YOU SEEKING A DEEPENING OF YOUR FIATH AND PRAYER LIFE? IS GOD CALLING YOU?

The Discalced Carmelite Secular Community of Our Lady of Mount Carmel-Scarborough is always welcoming visitors, but October is the perfect time to look into it as they will start an aspirant class. The Community meets at: St. Aidan's Catholic Church at Finch/Warden Every fourth (4th) Saturday of the month from 9:30 – 11:30 (after the 9:00 a.m. Parish Mass) This is a community of lay persons who are committed to the vocation of prayer and contemplation as expressed through the Teresian Carmelite Life in their daily commitment to follow Christ. Secular Carmelites live out their Teresian vocation under the protection of Mary Mother of God and Queen of Carmel. For more information, please contact: Geraldine Osborne, President at 416-756-3485 or Mary Tam, Formation Director at 416-250-0954

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