## 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**

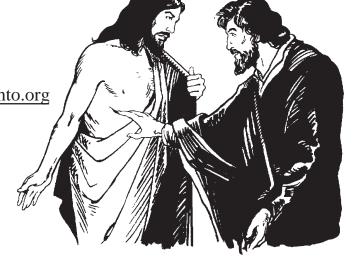
Will be the Second and Fourth Saturdays of each month at 9:30 a.m. An information package should be picked up at the Parish Office before meeting with the deacon.

#### **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
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 905-475-2350







**Monday** 

12:10 p.m.

+Philomena Cheong (Family)

**Monday** 

7:30 p.m.

+Tony Mendonca (Family)

**Tuesday** 

12:10 p.m.

+Salvador Golea (Family)

Tuesday

7:30 p.m.

Deceased members of the Chong Ah Yan Family

Wednesday

12:10 p.m.

Intentions of

Jean Philippe and Virginie Chan

Wednesday

7:30 p.m.

+Anastacia Nicolas (Redoblado Family)

**Thursday** 

12:10 p.m.

+Jin Imm Tan (Tan Family)

Thursday

7:30 p.m.

Souls in Purgatory

Friday

12:10 p.m.

+Bellian Chua, Gregory, Eric and Jin Sim Tan

(Tan Family)

Friday:

7:30 p.m.

+Peggy Shim

(Chit and Josephine Szeto)

Saturday

9:00 a.m.

+Luiza Pinto

(Family)

**Saturday** 

5:00 p.m.

Intentions of Virginie and Selina Chan (Family)

**Sunday** 

9:00 a.m.

For the People of the Parish

Sunday

10:30 a.m.

+Bernadette and Eugene Lai-Cheong (JP and Virginie Chan)

Sunday

12:00 p.m.

Intentions of Angelyn and Christine Ah Chong (Family)

### **SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

#### **SUNDAY DECEMBER 8, 2019**

PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Bob Hustins, Elizabeth Wong, 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, Clemente Magnayi, Andrew, Junny and Afonso Hung, Bettina Isabel Andal, Angelo Drago, Lilia Tiongson, Marian Pereira, Patricia Chong Ah Yan, Gonzalo San Luis and Gene Chong

**PRAY FOR THE DEAD** Gillian Castleford and for those who have no one to pray for them.



ANVENT

**"ADVENT"** is a period of devout and expectant delight: Advent has a twofold character, for it is a time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the First Coming of the Son of God is remembered, and likewise a time when, by remembrance of this, minds and hearts are led to look forward to Christ's Second Coming at the end of time." (The Roman Missal) May this season of Advent find us watching in prayer "as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ."

#### **CHRISTMAS MASSES**

Christmas Eve: 5:00 p.m. and 12:00 Midnight Christmas Day: 9:00, 10:30 and 12:00 Noon

NEW YEAR'S MASSES
THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
(A Holy Day of Obligation)

New Year's Eve: 5:00 p.m.

New Years Day: 10:30 and 12:00 Noon

(No 9:00 a.m. Mass)

CONFESSIONS ON CHRISTMAS EVE AND NEW YEAR'S EVE WILL BE FROM 4:00 – 5:00 P.M.

**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: (December 1st – \$7,405.40 (includes PAG)

## CANDLELIGHT ROSARY PROCESSION FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION.

After the 7:00 p.m. Mass on Monday. (the procession will be in the church parking lot weather permitting.)

#### MASS ON SATURDAY MORNINGS WILL BE IN THE CHURCH AT 9:00 A.M.

**SUNDAY OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2020** will be (or have been) delivered to parishioners who live within the boundaries of our parish by the Knights of Columbus and friends. Thanks to the Knights for taking on this project again this year. Those who live outside our parish area are asked to pick up their box of envelopes from the table at the back of the church. *These new envelopes should not be used until the new year.* 

#### ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE YOUTH

On Friday December 13 after school youth will be meeting to hand out sandwiches to the less fortunate in downtown Toronto. In this season of Advent this is a perfect time to help those in our community that are struggling. Adult volunteers are welcome, all youth grade 8 to 12 are welcome as well!

COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS for all youth! Please contact Hill (Youth minister) at the following: email – StThomasTheApostleYouth@gmail.com Phone – 647-281-0062

#### THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister in order to help our world of today to truly "prepare the way of the Lord"? 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

vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

## YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO OUR NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER/DANCE ON TUESDAY DECEMBER 31, 2019 FROM 6:00 P.M. – 1:00 A.M.

Tickets are \$35.00 for Adults, \$20.00 for children (under 12). Tickets will be available at the international night or to reserve your tickets, contact your OASIS member or email proceeds for St. Thomas the Apostle.

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#### **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.

#### **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 or 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

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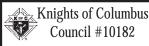
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