

# 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

By appointment only: 416-799-0407

## 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”*

### SCHOOLS

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St. Francis Xavier

905-470-2225

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### PARISH GROUPS

Altar Boys	Father Allyn Rose	Parish Office
Lectors	Anna Torres	416-335-9142
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Children's Liturgy	Winnie Thien	905-940-1059
Screening Coordinator	Liz Pinto	905-889-5755
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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
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### DAY CARE

St. Mary of Leuca	90-475-2536
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## MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 12:10 p.m.  
Intentions of  
Alan and William Lee Ah-Chong  
(JP and Virginie Chan)

Tuesday 12:10 p.m.  
+Josephine Pereira  
(St. Vincent de Paul)

Wednesday 12:10 p.m.  
  
+Mary Kamala Nicholas and Family  
+Rosaline Thirchelvam and Family  
(Family)

Wednesday 7:00 p.m.  
Intentions of Jason, Rosy, Julian,  
Tristian & Elliott

Thursday 12:10 p.m.  
+Bala Singham & Family  
(Shiranee & grandkids)

Thursday 7:00 p.m.  
+Josephine Pereira  
(Tony Pereira and Family)

Friday 12:10 p.m.  
  
+Bellian Chua, Gregory, Eric,  
Jin Sim Tan  
(Tan Family)

Friday: 7:00 p.m.  
In Thanksgiving and for the intentions for  
Reginald and Mary Augustine

Saturday 9:00 a.m.  
+Luis Manuel Calleja, Sr.  
(The Rose Family)

Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of  
Kassidy Chiu  
(Family)

Sunday 9:00 a.m.  
  
For the People of the Parish

Sunday 10:30 a.m.  
+Rodolfo Asilador  
(William Ah-Chong)

Sunday 12:00 p.m.  
  
+John Chiu  
(Chiu Family)

## TWENTY- SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY OCTOBER 4, 2020

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Eric Maddan, Giuseppina Sala, Anna Starkiewicz, Fitzroy James, Joyce D'Souza, Lilia Tiongson, Edilberto Claveria, Rowen Lee McBride, Margaret Carter, Elizabeth Wong, Domenic D'Souza, Samantha Fernandes, Marcus Rodrigues, Jerry Wang, Agnes Yuen, Father Patrick Gnanapragasam, Pat Wilson and for all those who are sick with the Covid – 19 Virus.

PRAY FOR THE DEAD: Nonita Lapay, and for those who have died from the Covid – 19 Virus and for those who have no one to pray for them.

*There will be no evening Mass on Monday and Tuesday evenings until Father Patrick has recuperated. Please pray for Father Patrick.*

*ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT*  
**6:00 – 7:00 p.m. every Friday before the evening Mass**

REGISTRATIONS EACH WEEK ON THE WEBSITE

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL HAS ASKED FOR  
DONATIONS IF YOU ARE ABLE.  
**The Box is by the glass door entrance.**

LIVESTREAMING MASSES ON FACEBOOK  
DAILY 12:10 MASS AND SUNDAY 10:30 MASS

PARISH OFFERTORY

**Weekly goal \$7,500.00 (to meet our expenses)**  
**We received \$7,123.15 (September 27 (Includes PAG, Donate now, and a donation of \$3,000.00 from a non parishioner.**

# GROTTO

*Please join us on October 7 (Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary) by the grotto site (near glass door entrance) to pray the rosary at 6:30 p.m. before the evening Mass.*

The Car Raffle that was usually held May 31<sup>st</sup>  
will be held October 30<sup>TH</sup>

## VIRTUAL / ONLINE WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER EXPERIENCE

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*27<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF IN ORDINARY TIME*

***1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 5.1-7***

***2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Philippians 4.6-9***

***Gospel: Matthew 21.33-43 – The Parable of the Wicked Tenants***

### ***Praying at all times***

“In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God” These are the words from St. Paul's letter to the Philippians that we hear in today's second reading. Elsewhere in his letter to the Thessalonians he says “Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.” St. Paul is urging us to pray in all circumstances and at all times.

But is it really feasible for us to pray at all times? While we may not be able to spend every moment praying in the chapel, we can still pray ceaselessly by offering up all of our acts as a prayer to God. St. Josemaria Escriva says that “You can be sure that it is through the circumstances of ordinary life, ordained or permitted by the infinite wisdom of divine Providence, that we come close to God...To this I now add that our work too must become a personal prayer, that it must become a real conversation with Our Father in heaven”.

As Stewards, we can pray and be in union with God through our professional work as well as our charitable works for the parish community. If we offer up these moments of work to God as a means to commune with Him, we will begin to live out St. Paul's exhortation to pray ceaselessly. Let us strive to never forget the dignity and value of our work as stewards of Christ.

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