

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”

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Organists

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 12:10 p.m.
+Mercy Mellanie Ranchigoda
(Maurice Ranchigoda)

Monday 7:00 p.m.
+Maryse D'Silva
(Moo Choy Family)

Tuesday 12:10 p.m.
+Wing Pak Seto
(Family)

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.
+Evangeline Tagudina
(Family)

Wednesday 12:10 p.m.
+Edwin Lai Pow
(Family)

Wednesday 7:00 p.m.
+Kevin Fernandez
(Fernandez Family)

Thursday 12:10 p.m.
+Anne Canagasuriam
(Gnanapragasam Family)

Thursday 7:00 p.m.
+Anne Canagasuriam
(Family)

Friday 12:10 p.m.
Intentions of
J. F. and Stefane Atkins and Family
(Family)

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

Saturday 9:00 a.m.
+Christopher Chiu
(Family)

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
+Leah Karmel Santiago
(Family)

Sunday 9:00 a.m.
All Saints Day – For the People

Sunday 10:30 a.m.
All Saints Day – For the People

Sunday 12:00 p.m.
All Saints Day – For the People

THIRTIETH SUNDAY

IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY OCTOBER 25, 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, Pat Wilson, Phillip Kong and for all those who are sick with the Covid – 19 Virus.

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

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

ANYBODY EXHIBITING SYMPTOMS OF THE COVID VIRUS
Are to remain at home. They are dispensed from coming to church.

PARISH OFFERTORY

Weekly goal \$7,500.00 (to meet our expenses)
We received \$4,541.05 (October 18, 2020) (Includes PAG, Donate now.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Thanksgiving Food Drive, collecting until November 1st. Please drop donations on cart in front Foyer.

The Car Raffle that was usually held May 31st
will be held October 30TH

BUNDLE UP SUNDAY – OCTOBER 31 – NOVEMBER 1ST.

**We accept clothes, shoes, boots
Bedding, towels, etc.**

We do not accept appliances, baby or regular furniture, books, mattresses, dishes, construction material or video tapes. For more information visit www.svptoronto.ca

30TH SUNDAY OF IN ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading: Exodus 22.21-27

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1.5c-10

Gospel: Matthew 22.34-40 – The Greatest Commandment

Love until it Hurts

One of the most commonly used words in today's culture is "love." It has become so familiar in our regular language that people use the same word to describe their sentiments towards pizza, their pets and their children. Clearly a different level of love exists between those three things but this common usage of the word can slowly lead us to lose the meaning of love in its truest sense.

In the Gospel today, Jesus boils down all of the commandments into loving God with all our being and loving our neighbour as ourselves. In order to fully love God and our neighbour, we need to remind ourselves what the true definition and expression of love is. Love is ultimately a sacrifice. It is willing the good of the other, which involves us foregoing our own interests for theirs.

St. Teresa of Calcutta beautifully says that for "love to be real, it must cost – it must empty us of self." As stewards, we should always keep this understanding of love in our minds because stewardship is essentially a life of love. With this true understanding, we will not be surprised when we face difficulties or suffering in our ministry. Likewise, it helps us ask ourselves if we're being too comfortable in our generosity and challenges us to give ever more of ourselves. Let us seek to constantly serve God and our neighbour in our parish community out of a deep love for them.

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