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 8:00, 10:00 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 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

By appointment only. Father Allyn Rose: 416-799-0407 Father Patrick Gnanapragasam: 647-877-1774

DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesdays before & after evening Mass.

BAPTISMS

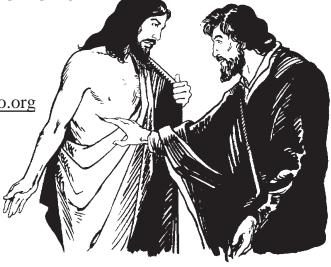
Will be the Second and Fourth Saturdays of each month at 9:30 a.m. An information package should be picked up at the Parish Office before meeting with the deacon.

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

| St. | Benedict |
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| St. | Francis Xavier |

905-475-9646 905-470-2225

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PARISH GROUPS

| Father Allyn Rose | Parish Office |
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| e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e | |
| Anna Torres | 416-335-9142 |
| Alex Ho-Shue | 905-479-2543 |
| Winnie Thien | 905-940-1059 |
| Liz Pinto | 905-889-5755 |
| Juliette Huang | 416-495-1067 |
| Amy Rebeiz | 647-643-2232 |
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| de Paul 905-47 | 4-1224 ext. 230 |
| Philip Lee | 905-475-6776 |
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| | Winnie Thien Liz Pinto Juliette Huang Amy Rebeiz Juliette Huang Al Jacob de Paul 905-47 Philip Lee |

PARISH MUSICIANS Organists

Christopher Ku/Kevin Ku

416-298-2541

DAY CARE

| St. Mary of Leuca | 90-475-2536 |
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| St. Mary of Leuca CONVENT | 905-475-2350 |





| Monday 1 Living and deceased memb McKenna Family | 2:10 p.m. ers of the | | | |
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| Monday In Thanksgiving and for the of Dennis and Regina (Jefferson Tse) | | | | |
| Tuesday 1 | 2:10 p.m. | | | |
| Deceased members of the T Johnson Families (Daunt Family) | homas and | | | |
| Tuesday | 7:00 p.m. | | | |
| Souls in Purgatory | • | | | |
| Wednesday 12:10 p.m. | | | | |
| +Carmen Tsui | | | | |
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| (Margaret Tse) | 7.00 | | | |
| Wednesday | 7:00 p.m. | | | |
| +Violet Patel | | | | |
| (Family) | | | | |
| Thursday 1 | 2:10 p.m. | | | |
| +Father J. Basil Bre | en | | | |
| (Jefferson Tse) | | | | |
| Thursday | 7:00 p.m. | | | |
| Souls in Purgatory | • | | | |
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| Friday +Hans Pesch (Family) | 12:10 p.m. | | | |
| Friday: Margaret, Jefferson and Giov | 7:00 p.m. ranna Tse | | | |
| Saturday Intentions of Daniel Bertolo a | 9:00 a.m. and Family | | | |
| Saturday +John Chiu | 5:00 p.m. | | | |

(Jefferson Tse) Sunday For the People of the Parish

Sunday 10:00 a.m. Intentions for Jason Thambiaiah (Family)

Sunday 12:00 p.m. +Mrs. Shui-Chu Tse (Jefferson Tse)

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY JULY 18, 2021

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Eric Maddan, Giuseppina Sala, Fitzroy James, Joyce D'Souza, Lilia Tiongson, Edilberto Claveria, Margaret Carter, Elizabeth Wong, Domenic D'Souza, Samantha Fernandes, Jerry Wang, Agnes Yuen, Jack Wilson, Phillip Kong, Marien Pereira, Sam Di Blasi, Teresa Cheung, Jessica Kong, Gloria Pereira, Angel Sevilla and for all those who are sick with the Covid – 19 Virus.

PRAY FOR THE DEAD: Dominic Sidoti, and for all 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 – to 7:00 p.m. before the 7:00 p.m. Mass

LIVESTREAMING MASSES ON FACEBOOK

DAILY 12:10 MASS, SATURDAY MORNING 9:00 A.M. AND SUNDAY 10:00 MASS

BUNDLE UP FOR THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

On July 24 – 25

We accept all clothing, all footwear, bedding, drapery/towels, Toys (new or nearly new)

We do not accept books, construction material, dishes, furniture, video or audio cassettes.

PARISH OFFERTORY

Weekly goal \$7,500.00 (to meet our expenses) We received \$ July 11, 2021 (Includes Pag, Donate Now, etc.)

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. 2021 Envelopes can be found in the small hall in alphabetical order. Also, on the website you can arrange to use PAG

Gospel Reading

Mark 6: 30 – 34

Jesus invites His disciples to rest after their ministry and Jesus is moved with pity for the crowds who pursue them.

Background on the Gospel Reading

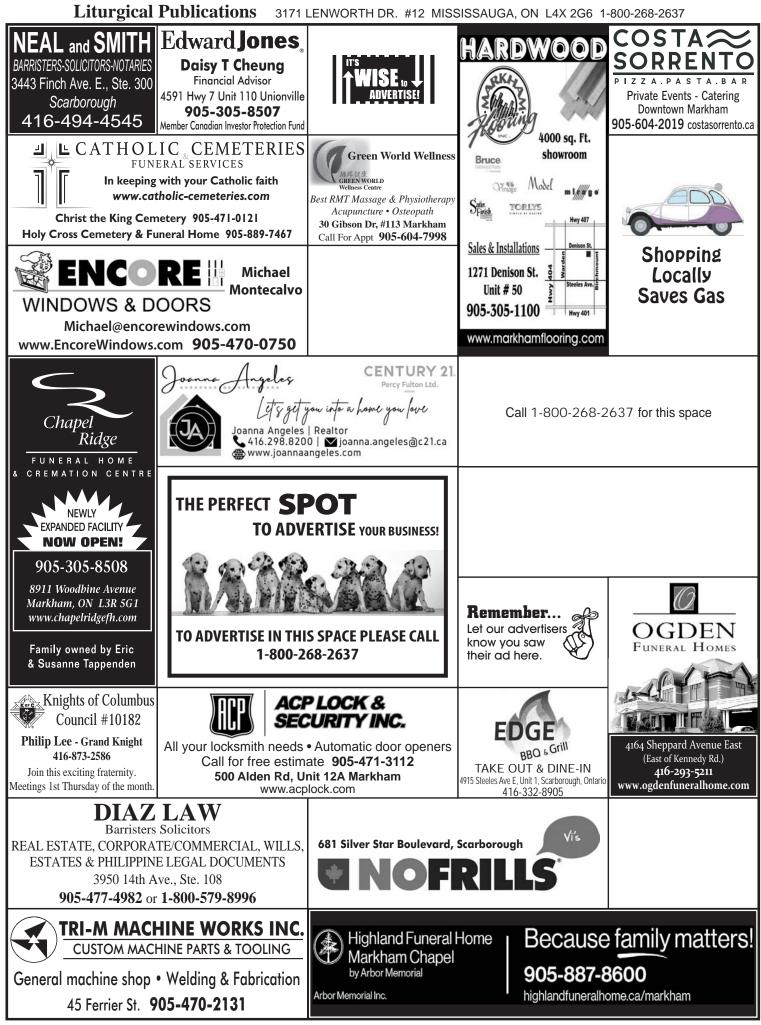
In this today's Gospel, we read the report of the return of the Twelve, who were sent by Jesus to preach repentance, heal the sick and drive out demons. When the Twelve return to Jesus, He invites them to come away from the crowds and rest. But the crowds will not give them peace. As the Twelve have shared in Jesus' ministry, they now appear to share in His popularity. The crowds continue to approach them and Mark reports that the disciples don't even have time to eat. In an effort to get away, Jesus and His disciples board a boat in hopes of finding a deserted place. But the crowds notice this and arrive ahead of them. The crowds are so persistent that Jesus and His disciples cannot find a place to be alone. Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus is moved with pity and begins to teach the crowds.

Our Gospel for today stops here, but Mark's report of the unyielding demands of the crowd continues in the verses that follow. If we were to continue reading from Mark's Gospel, we would hear Jesus instruct His disciples to feed the crowd in the familiar miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes. The work of Jesus and His disciples appears to be around-the-clock job. In the next few weeks, we will hear the story of Jesus' feeding of the multitude, but our Lectionary will turn to the sixth chapter of the Gospel of John to report and reflect on this story.

In today's Gospel, we hear the Twelve referred to as "Apostles." The word *Apostle* is a Greek word meaning "one who is sent." Jesus chose twelve men from among His disciples whom He sent to share in His ministry of preaching and healing. The first report of this is found in the third chapter of Mark's Gospel, where the Twelve are also called Apostles and the names of this select group are listed.

We who are Jesus' disciples today have also been sent to share the Gospel with others. Perhaps our commitment to following Jesus as His disciple leaves us feeling tired and overwhelmed. In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus affirm the importance of times of rest and renewal. Jesus wanted His disciples to come away and spend time alone with Him. This is what we seek and find in our life of prayer and in our celebration of the Eucharist.

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