

# St. Thomas the Apostle Church

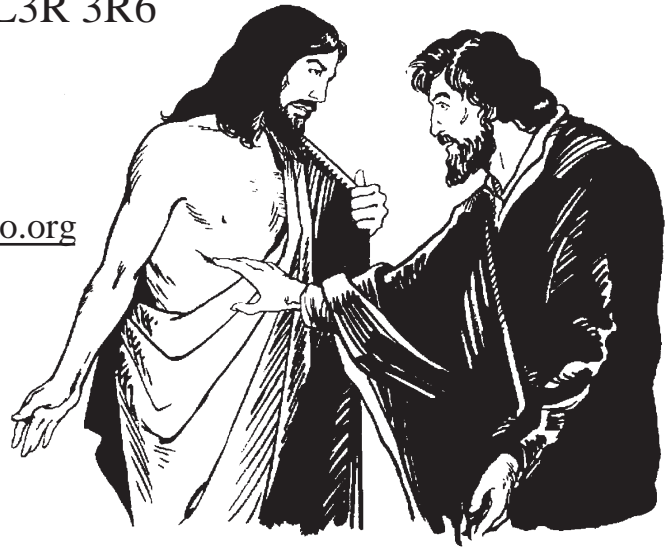
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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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”

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Monday	12:10 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Monday	7:00 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Tuesday	12:10 p.m.	+Mary Holland (Jackie Mackenzie)
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday	12:10 p.m.	+Bob Hustins (Jackie Mackenzie)
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	+Anne Rose Antonipillai +Josephine Bastiampillai (Family)
Thursday	12:10 p.m.	Living and deceased members of the Mackenzie, Smith and McTaggart Families (Jackie Mackenzie)
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Friday	12:10 p.m.	+Dominic Choong (Cheng Family)
Friday:	7:00 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	
		For the People of the Parish
Sunday	10:00 a.m.	
		+Andrew Carb and the deceased members of the Marie Family (Family)
Sunday	12:00 p.m.	In Thanksgiving (Theresa Alphones (Family))

ASSUMPTION OF THE  
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY  
SUNDAY AUGUST 15, 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, Sean Munroe and for all those who are sick with the Covid – 19 Virus.

PRAY FOR THE DEAD: Deacon Henry Verschuren, Teresa Ah Moi Ong, Carol Carbery 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  
Thursday and Friday  
After the 12:10 Mass till 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**

ANNUAL MASS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED  
**Due to the protocols surrounding COVID-19, THIS YEAR'S  
Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed has unfortunately been  
Cancelled at our seven Catholic cemeteries.**

**His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, will celebrate and livestream a special Mass in honour of our faithful departed on Wednesday August 18 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Michaels Cathedral Basilica. The Mass can be viewed here: [www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live](http://www.stmichaelscathedral.com/live).**

PARISH OFFERTORY  
**Weekly goal \$7,500.00 (to meet our expenses)**  
**We received \$6,146.50 – Aug 8, 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**

**Luke 1:39 – 1:56**

### **Mary Greet Elizabeth and sings God's praise**

**Today's Feast celebrates Mary's Assumption into heaven. The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven has long been held as an important Catholic belief. The belief was not defined as dogma, however, until 1950 by Pope Pius XII. The dogma teaches that Mary, who was without sin, was taken, body and soul, into the Glory of Heaven.**

**The Gospel for this holy day recalls Mary's actions after the Announcement of Jesus' birth by the Angel Gabriel. Mary goes to visit her cousin Elizabeth who is also with child. Elizabeth greets Mary with full recognition of the roles they and their unborn children will play in God's plan for salvation. Mary responds to Elizabeth's greeting with her song of praise, the Magnificat. Both women recall and echo God's history of showing favor upon the people of Israel. Mary's Magnificat, in particular, echoes the song of praise offered by Hannah, the mother of Samuel.**

**The Gospel for this day reminds us that Mary's Assumption into Heaven is best understood with regard for the full spectrum of Catholic beliefs about the person of Christ and the person of Mary. Only Mary, who was born without stain of Original Sin – the Immaculate Conception – could give birth to Christ, who is fully God and fully human. This is called the Immaculate Conception. Because of Mary's role in God's plan of salvation, she does not suffer from the effects of sin, which are death and decay. Mary is the first to receive the fullness of the redemption that her son has won for all humanity. The Church, therefore, recognizes Mary as the sign of the salvation promised to all.**

**Today's Gospel highlights Mary's faith. Mary's faith enabled her to recognize the work of God in her People's history and in her own life. Her openness to God allowed God to work through her so that salvation might come to all. Mary is a model and symbol of the Church. May we be like Mary, open and cooperative in God's plan of salvation.**

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