

# St. Thomas the Apostle Church

14 Highgate Drive, Markham, Ontario L3R 3R6

(2 blocks north of Steeles at Birchmount)

905-474-1224 / fax 905-474-1277

[stthomastheapostle@bellnet.ca](mailto:stthomastheapostle@bellnet.ca)

website: <https://stthomastheapostlema.archtoronto.org>



## 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

905-475-9646

St. Francis Xavier

905-470-2225

### YORK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

[www.ycdsb.ca](http://www.ycdsb.ca)

### PARISH GROUPS

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 90-475-2536

St. Mary of Leuca CONVENT 905-475-2350



## Mass Intentions

Monday	12:10 p.m.	In thanksgiving and for the intentions of Dennis and Regina Poon (Jefferson Tse)
Monday	7:00 p.m.	+Isidra Valencia Dicwangco (Friend)
Tuesday	12:10 p.m.	+Mary Kamala Nicholas and Family +Rosaline Thirchelvam and Family (Family)
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	+Leslie D'Souza (Family)
Wednesday	12:10 p.m.	+Danilo Ramirez (Family)
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	+Angeline Nazareth (Prayer Group)
Thursday	12:10 p.m.	+Brother Laurence Ennis (The Rose Family)
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Friday	12:10 p.m.	+Bellian Chua, Gregory, Eric, Jin Sim, Jin Imm Tan
Friday	7:00 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Living and deceased Members of the McKenna Family
Saturday	5:00 a.m.	+Joseph Yves Chan – Yan Fong (JP and Virginie Chan)
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	+Smith Mackenzie (Jackie Mackenzie)
Sunday	10:00 p.m.	+Agatha Moo Choy (Family)
Sunday	12:00 p.m.	For the People of the Parish

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY FEBRUARY 6, 2022

### PRAY FOR THE SICK

Eric Maddan, Giuseppina Sala, Fitzroy James, Joyce D'Souza, Edilberto Claveria, Margaret Carter, Domenic D'Souza, Samantha Fernandes, Jerry Wang, Agnes Yuen, Jack Wilson, Phillip Kong, Marien Pereira, Sam Di Blasi, Teresa Cheung, Jessica Kong, Gloria Pereira, Dorine Coulture, John Yuen, Theresa Snider, Wing Yuen, Betty Chan, Irene Tsang, Sherwin Wong, Lucas Fernandes and for all those who are sick with the Covid – 19 Virus.

### PRAY FOR THE DEAD:

Michele Spataro, Nelson Lobo, and for those who have died from the Covid – 19 Virus and for those who have no one to pray for them.

PLEASE REGISTER EACH WEEK ON THE WEBSITE  
FOR THE SUNDAY MASS YOU WISH TO ATTEND

NAMES ADDED AFTER 12:00 NOON ON SATURDAY WILL  
NOT BE ON THE LIST THAT THE USHERS HAVE.

### REGISTRATION FOR THE FIRST COMMUNION

Parents of children who would like to prepare for the First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion can visit the parish office to pick up a registration package. Parents will need to provide a copy of their child's baptism certificate. Registration is open until the end of February. Please note that the classes will be in-person, public health restrictions permitting.

### PARISH OFFERTORY

**Weekly goal \$7,500.00 (to meet our expenses)**  
**We received, \$5,020.01 -- January 30, 2022**  
**Includes Pag, Donate Now, etc.)**

### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

VIRTUAL WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER  
EXPERIENCE – MARCH 25 – 27, 2022

WHERE ARE YOU IN YOUR MARRIAGE JOURNEY? EVERY  
MARRIAGE COULD USE A BOOST.

**LEARN EASY TO USE COMMUNICATION TOOLS TO HELP  
ENHANCE YOUR RELATIONSHIP.**

**OUR PROVEN PROGRAM WILL GUIDE YOU THROUGH  
PRACTICAL AND PRIVATE EXERCISES TO REFRESH YOUR  
WEDDING VOWS AND TO SPARK UP YOUR ROMANCE.**

**BASED ON CATHOLIC VALUES, BUT MARRIED COUPLES OF ALL  
FAITHS ARE WELCOME.**

ARE YOU READY TO REDISCOVER EACH OTHER?

CALL US NOW: GERARD & MARGE MCCAULY 905-792-1925  
[Gerard.marge@rogers.com](mailto:Gerard.marge@rogers.com) [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org)

## 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. Also, on the website you can arrange to use PAG

For those who did not receive envelopes or are using plain envelopes, please come to the office after Mass to receive offering envelopes.

The Rosary Making Group in our Parish

Is in need of a new Co-Ordinator. If you are interested, please call Rosemarie at (416)495-1067.

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### **Gospel Reading – Luke 5:1-11**

#### **The fishermen (Simon, James and John) leave their fishing boats and follow Jesus.**

Last Sunday, we heard how Jesus was rejected in His hometown of Nazareth. In the verses that follow, Jesus travels to the town of Capernaum and begins His ministry of teaching and healing. While in Capernaum, Jesus cures a man possessed with a demon and heals Simon's mother-in-law. After spending some time there, Jesus prepared to preach in other places. The fact that Jesus had previously been in Simon's home and healed his mother-in-law suggests that this encounter is not the first between Jesus and Simon Peter. We can read today's Gospel, therefore, as a description of the developing relationship between Jesus and Simon Peter.

In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches from Simon's boat. Jesus turns to Simon and instructs him about where to lower the fishing nets. Simon and others have been fishing throughout the night and have not caught anything. Simon protests, claiming that such an effort would be futile. Simon ultimately obeys Jesus and lowers his nets into the deeper water as directed. Notice here that Peter calls Jesus by the title "master." He already recognizes Jesus as a person of authority. They catch so many fish that the nets begin to tear; Jesus' presence has created abundance out of scarcity, just as it did at the Wedding Feast at Cana, which we heard at Mass just a few weeks ago.

Simon Peter becomes a follower of Jesus immediately. He calls Jesus "Lord" – the title given to Jesus after His Resurrection – and protests his worthiness to be in Jesus' presence. Today's Gospel, therefore, marks a turning point in the relationship between Jesus and Peter.

Two of Simon's partners are also named as witnesses to the event described in today's Gospel: Zebedee's sons, James and John. Yet Jesus' words are addressed only to Simon. Jesus gives Simon a new job, telling him that he will become a different kind of fisherman. No longer will he catch fish; instead, he will catch people. In these words, we hear the beginning of the leadership role that Peter will have within the community of disciples. Peter was chosen for this role. His task will be to bring others to Jesus. Already he is doing so; the Gospel tells us that all the fishermen with Peter also left their nets and followed Jesus.

We continue to speak of Peter's leadership and influence in the Church today when we call the Pope the "Successor of Peter." We participate in the mission of the Church when we bring people to Christ through the example and positive influence of our lives.

**Loyola Press**

**NEAL and SMITH**  
 BARRISTERS-SOLICITORS-NOTARIES  
 3443 Finch Ave. E., Ste. 300  
 Scarborough  
 416-494-4545

**Edward Jones**  
**Daisy T Cheung**  
 Financial Advisor  
 4591 Hwy 7 Unit 110 Unionville  
**905-305-8507**  
 Member Canadian Investor Protection Fund



**HARDWOOD**



4000 sq. Ft.  
showroom

Bruce

OP Image

Model

m i l l s

Satin Finish

TORLYS

GRAPE BY DESIGN

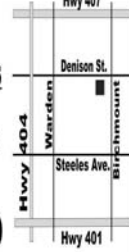
Hwy 407

Sales & Installations

1271 Denison St.  
Unit # 50

905-305-1100

www.markhamflooring.com



**COSTA SORRENTO**

PIZZA.PASTA.BAR  
 Private Events - Catering  
 Downtown Markham  
**905-604-2019**  
 costasorrento.ca

**Remember...**  
 Let our advertisers know you saw their ad here.



**CATHOLIC CEMETERIES**  
 FUNERAL SERVICES



In keeping with your Catholic faith  
[www.catholic-cemeteries.com](http://www.catholic-cemeteries.com)

Christ the King Cemetery  
 905-471-0121

Holy Cross Cemetery & Funeral Home  
 905-889-7467



FUNERAL HOME  
 & CREMATION CENTRE



905-305-8508

8911 Woodbine Avenue  
 Markham, ON L3R 5G1  
[www.chapelridgefh.com](http://www.chapelridgefh.com)

Family owned by Eric  
 & Susanne Tappenden



**ACP LOCK & SECURITY INC.**

All your locksmith needs • Automatic door openers  
 Call for free estimate **905-471-3112**  
 500 Alden Rd, Unit 12A Markham  
[www.acplock.com](http://www.acplock.com)

**THE PERFECT SPOT TO ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS!**



**TO ADVERTISE IN THIS SPACE PLEASE CALL  
 1-800-268-2637**



TAKE OUT & DINE-IN  
 4915 Steeles Ave E, Unit 1  
 Scarborough, Ontario  
 416-332-8905

**DIAZ LAW**

Barristers Solicitors  
 REAL ESTATE, CORPORATE/COMMERCIAL,  
 WILLS, ESTATES &  
 PHILIPPINE LEGAL DOCUMENTS  
 3950 14th Ave., Ste. 108  
**905-477-4982 or 1-800-579-8996**

681 Silver Star Boulevard, Scarborough



VIS



**TRI-M MACHINE WORKS INC.**

CUSTOM MACHINE PARTS & TOOLING

General machine shop  
 Welding & Fabrication

45 Ferrier St. **905-470-2131**



Highland Funeral Home  
 Markham Chapel  
 by Arbor Memorial

Arbor Memorial Inc.

**Because family matters!**

**905-887-8600**

[highlandfuneralhome.ca/markham](http://highlandfuneralhome.ca/markham)