

# 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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### 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
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
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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	9:00 a.m.	+Eileen Logtenberg (Jackie Mackenzie)
Monday	7:00 p.m.	<b>No Evening Mass</b>
Tuesday	12:10 p.m.	+Aloysius Seck (Family)
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	<b>MARONITE MASS</b>
Wednesday	12:10 p.m.	Intentions of Nela Viray and Family
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	+Andrew Carb (Prayer Group)
Thursday	12:10 p.m.	+Terry Macko (Lynch Family)
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Friday	12:10 p.m.	In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of Eva and Aloysius Carvalho on their 60 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary
Friday	7:00 p.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	5:00 a.m.	+Bernadette Tow-Ying Ah-Chong (JP and Virginie Chan)
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	For the People of the Parish
Sunday	10:00 p.m.	+Reinaldo Ribeiro (Ribeiro Family)
Sunday	12:00 p.m.	For the People of the Parish

## SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY FEBRUARY 20, 2022

### PRAY FOR THE SICK

Eric Maddan, Giuseppina Sala, Fitzroy James, 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 and for all those who are sick with the Covid - 19 Virus.

### PRAY FOR THE DEAD:

Patricia Khan 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 ONE MASS AT  
9:00 A.M. ON HOLIDAY MONDAY.

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)**  
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## 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.

## SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### **Gospel Reading – Luke 6:27-38**

#### **Jesus teaches His disciples to be merciful as God is merciful.**

Today's Gospel reading is a continuation of the teaching that began in last Sunday's Gospel. We continue to hear Jesus' Sermon on the Plain. Recall that in Luke's Gospel, this teaching is addressed to Jesus' disciples. This is in contrast to the parallel found in Matthew's Gospel, the Sermon on the Mount, in which Jesus' words are addressed to both the disciples and to the crowds.

These words from Jesus' teaching are familiar to us. They constitute the crux and the challenge of what it means to be a disciple: Love your enemies, turn the other cheek, give to those who ask, do unto others, lend without expecting repayment, judge not lest you be judged.

There are several similarities between Luke's and Matthew's report of Jesus' great teaching. Both begin with the Beatitudes. Matthew includes nearly all the content that Luke does; the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew's Gospel is longer than Luke's Sermon on the Plain. There are, however, differences in language and nuance. For example, Matthew presents this portion of the teaching as a contrast between Jesus' teaching and the teach of the law and the prophets. This is in keeping with Matthew's concern to address his predominantly Jewish audience. It is likely that Luke omits this contrast because it was unnecessary for the Gentile believers for whom Luke is writing.

Another point of contrast between Matthew and Luke's presentation is the terminology. In Luke, Jesus contrasts the behavior of His followers with the behavior of "sinners." In Matthew, Jesus contrasts the behavior desired with the behavior of tax collectors and Gentiles. Matthew concludes the teaching about love of enemies with the admonition to be perfect as God is perfect; Luke concludes by emphasizing God's mercy.

In both Gospels, Jesus' words challenge those who would follow Him to be more like God. God loves us beyond our expectations, beyond anything we can possibly imagine. In response to God's love, we are to love as God loves, beyond expectations and with a depth beyond imagining.

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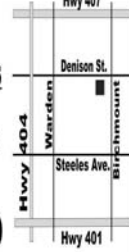
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