

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 Church)

Thurs. evening Mass is in Latin - *forma ordinaria*

ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Thursday & Fridays after the 12:10 Mass to
7:00 Evening Mass.

CONFESSIONS

Before all Weekend and Weekday Masses

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 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

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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
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Legion of Mary Sr.	Amy Rebeiz	647-643-2232
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Prayer Group	Al Jacob	416-697-7179
Society of St. Vincent de Paul		905-474-1224 ext. 230
Knights of Columbus	Phillip Lee	416-873-2586
Youth Group	Hill Arulnesam	647-281-0062
FNE Explorers	Maurice Chang	416-889-0183

PARISH MUSICIANS

Organists

Christopher Ku/Kevin Ku	416-298-2541
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DAY CARE

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

Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday 7:00 p.m.
 +Francis Tan Ah-Chong
 +Peter Leong
 (Cheng Family)

Monday 7:00 p.m.
 In thanksgiving and for the intentions of
 Alan Lee-Chai-Fa Ah-Chong
 (Family)

Tuesday 12:10 p.m.
 +Peter Kang
 (Helena Yang)

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.
 +Maria Christina Colaco
 (Family)

Wednesday 12:10 p.m.
 In Thanksgiving and for the living and
 deceased members of the
 Greaves and Gaskin Families

Wednesday 7:00 p.m.
 Souls in Purgatory

Thursday 12:10 p.m.
 +John Tang
 (Family)

Thursday 7:00 p.m.
 Souls in Purgatory

Friday 12:10 p.m.
 Intentions of Kellyanne Ibanez

Friday 7:00 p.m.
 +Anthony Albert
 (Albert Family)

Saturday 9:00 a.m.
 Living and deceased members of the
 Mackenzie, Smith, Gilbou
 and Goodrow Families
 (Menezes Family)

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
 +Ben Papa, Sr.
 (Family)

Sunday 8:00 a.m.
 For the People of the Parish

Sunday 10:00 a.m.
 +Narcissa Addun
 (Family)

Sunday 12:00 p.m.
 +Giuseppe Giovenco, Rosalia Cerriglia
 Vincenzo Giovenco
 (Di Blasi Family)

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN
 ORDINARY TIME
 SUNDAY JULY 10, 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, Sherwin Wong, Everest D'Souza, Aloysius Carvalho, Nicholas Marshall, Tony Romero and Jacqueline Pang.

PRAY FOR THE DEAD:

Harry Ramnarain and for those who have no one to pray for them.

YORK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

The York Catholic District School Board Admissions Office will facilitate elementary school registrations during the summer months for the academic year 2022-2023. Registrations will take place at the Catholic Education Centre, located at 320 Bloomington Road West, in Aurora, during the months of July and August.

We are providing this service to enable parents to register their children during the summer months when all of our elementary schools are closed.

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL TRUCK IS HERE THE WEEKEND (JULY 9 & 10)

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.

PARISH OFFERTORY

Weekly goal \$7,500.00 (to meet our expenses)

We received: \$6,791.11

(Includes Pag, Donate Now, etc.)

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SUNDAY JULY 10, 2022

Gospel Reading – Luke 10:25-37

The parable of the Good Samaritan

As Jesus continues His journey to Jerusalem, He is confronted by a scholar of the law who wants to test Him. In the Gospels of Mark and Matthew, Jesus is asked about the greatest commandment. Here, in Luke's Gospel, the lawyer asks what we must do to inherit eternal life. In the other two Gospels, Jesus answers the question by quoting Deuteronomy 6:5, on loving God with all your heart and Leviticus 19:18, on loving your neighbor. Here Jesus asks the expert to answer this question, "What is written in the law?" The man is caught and responds with Deuteronomy 6:5. This verse is one of the most important prayers in Judaism and it was said twice a day in Jesus' time. Love of God and love of neighbour are what is required for eternal life. Jesus' response is simple, "Do this and you will live."

Having been shown up by Jesus, the lawyer tries another question: Who is my neighbour whom I must love like myself? In the society of Jesus' time, with its distinctions between Jews and Gentiles, men and women, clean and unclean, this was a trick question. Jesus responds with one of the most beautiful of all the parables, the Good Samaritan. It is found only in Luke's Gospel.

The road from Jerusalem to Jericho descends 3,300 feet in just 17 miles. Its narrow passes and rocky terrain made it an easy place for bandits to wait for travelers. The traveler in this parable is identified only as "a certain man." Luke uses this phrase in many of his parables so that the audience, Jew or Gentile, could identify with the man. After the attack, the man is left for dead, naked and bleeding on the side of the road. A priest comes along, but rather than helping, as one might expect, he moves to the other side of the road. Another religious person comes along, a Levite who assists in the Temple. His reaction is the same as the priest's. Both of them choose to not even find out if the man is alive. A third person comes along. The listeners would probably expect him to be an Israelite. This would make the parable a criticism of the religious leadership. Instead, he is a Samaritan, an Israelite's most hated neighbour. Samaritans were descents of Jews from the northern part of the country, who had intermarried with Gentiles and did not worship in Jerusalem. The Samaritan not only goes over to the injured man but cleans his wounds, puts him on his own animal, takes him to an inn to recover and promises to pay all his expenses. The hated enemy is the compassionate neighbour in this parable.

Jesus has demolished all boundary expectations. It is not social definitions such as class, religion, gender or ethnicity that determines who is our neighbour. A neighbor is a person who acts with compassion toward another. The point becomes not who deserves to be loved as I love myself, but that I become a person who treats everyone with compassion.

When Jesus asks the lawyer who was the neighbour in the story, the lawyer can't bring himself to say it was the Samaritan. All he says is that it was "the one who treated him with mercy." Jesus' response was similar to that of that first discussion: "Go and do likewise." The lawyer, and we, know what is right. The key is to do it.

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THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Will be starting a fundraiser to collect EMPTIES such as the following: Beer cans, Beer bottles, Wine bottles, Spirits bottles (vodka, rum, whiskey, etc.) We encourage our parishioners to drop off their empties upon entering the church foyer. There will be bins placed on the side for them to drop it off.

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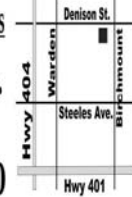
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