# 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) Secretary - Jackie Mackenzie (ext. 221) Part Time Secretary (Thursdays) - Maureen Daunt

#### 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 St. Francis Xavier 905-475-9646 905-470-2225

YORK CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD 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	416-302-1823
	Legion of Mary Sr.	Amy Rebeiz	647-643-2232
	Legion of Mary Jr.	Juliette Huang	416-302-1823
	Prayer Group	Al Jacob	416-697-7179
	Society of St. Vincent	de Paul 905-474	4-1224 ext. 230
	Knights of Columbus	Neil Ishmael	905-477-3129
	FNE Explorers	Maurice Chang	416-889-0183
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#### PARISH MUSICIANS Organists

Christopher Ku/Kevin Ku

416-298-2541

#### DAY CARE

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

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**Monday May 8** 12:10 p.m. +Margaret Moloney (Lynch Family) **Monday May 8** 7:00 p.m. +Linda Courchene (Jackie Mackenzie) **Tuesday May 9** 12:10 p.m. +Mary Kamala Nicholas and Family +Rosaline Thirchelvam and Family (Family) **Tuesday May 9** 7:00 p.m. +Gorgonia Garcia (Garcia Family) Wednesday May 10 12:10 p.m. +Joseph Rogers (Ramsay Family) Wednesday May 10 7:00 p.m. +Terry Chou (Family) **Thursday May 11** 12:10 p.m. Intentions of Philomena Logal (Rose Family) **Thursday May 11** 7:00 p.m. +Cornelia De Las Alas (Family) Friday May 12 12:10 p.m. +Bellian Chua, Gregory, Eric, Jin Sim, Jin Imm Tan (Tan Family) Friday May 12 7:00 p.m. In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of Jefferson Tse (Family) Saturday May 13 9:00 a.m. +Eileen Lum Yukani (Family) Saturday May 13 5:00 p.m. +Mr. Shiu-Kai Poon (Jefferson Tse) Sunday May 14 8:00 a.m. Intentions of Sister Emma Ling (Family) Sunday May 14 10:00 a.m. +Fellicer Silvestre Sombero (Family) Sunday May 14 12:00 p.m.

For the People of the Parish

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER SUNDAY MAY 7, 2023

**PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Eric Maddan, Giuseppina Sala, Fitzroy James, Edilberto Claveria, Margaret Carter, Jack Wilson, Phillip Kong, Aloysius Carvalho, Nicholas Marshall, Tony Romero, Al Jacob, Bruce Crepe, Romana Pena, Godofredo Pena Jr., Priscilla Lumanlan, Paul Giallonardo, Liza Chan, William Lee Ah-Chong, Amy Tsang, Grace Chan, Mary Foo, Lynn Demers, Edwin Quiambao, Mary Josephine Albert, Betty Chan, William Yung, Agnes Yuen, Rowena Poon and Emilia Cabral

**PRAY FOR THE DEAD:** Father R. Viateur Laurin, Deacon Giovanni Leva, and for those who have no one to pray for them.

#### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"The one who believes in Me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do grater works than these..." Ae, you willing to do the work of the Lord as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

#### LIVING THE GOSPEL THROUGH SHARELIFE

Thus far our parish has raised **\$36,912.03** toward our goal of **\$107,000.00** 

Your sacrificial gift will truly make a difference in the life of someone turning to a ShareLife agency in their moment of need.

The Third ShareLife Sunday of the year is June 4. We ask you to share your blessings and give generously through the parish or at sharelife.org. Thank you for living the Gospel!

### ARE YOU ABLE TO HOST A UKRAINIAN FAMILY?

Over 200,000 Ukrainians have already arrived in Canada, an additional 800,000 are expected to arrive in the coming months. There is an immediate need for families to host, some of those who have arrived. If you would like to learn more about hosting a Ukrainian family, please refer to our parish Website or our Facebook page.

## THANK YOU TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED IN ANYWAY TOWARDS OUR "YARD SALE"!

#### PARISH OFFERTORY Weekly goal \$7,500.00 (to meet our expenses) We received: \$5,575.75 (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.

#### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

#### Gospel Reading – John 14: 1-12

#### JESUS TELLS HIS DISCIPLES, "I AM THE WAY AND THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE."

The readings for the last few Sundays have been about the Resurrection, but today's Gospel takes us back in time to an event in Jesus' life before His Passion. Jesus tells His disciples that He is going to prepare a place for them in His Father's house. He promises that where He is going, His disciples will be able to follow. Thomas, who will later doubt the disciples' reports that they have seen the Risen Lord, contradicts Jesus by saying the disciples don't know where Jesus is going or how to get there. Jesus explains that He Himself is the way, the truth and the life. In knowing and loving Jesus, the disciples now love God the Father.

Philip then makes a request that challenges Jesus' words. Philip wants Jesus to show the Father to the disciples. Recall that Jesus has just told His disciples, "If you know Me, then you will also know My Father. From now on you do know Him and have seen His." As a good teacher, Jesus responds to Philip by repeating and elaborating on what He has just told the disciples: They have seen and known Jesus, so they have seen and known the Father. Then Jesus offers another reassurance about His departure: because of faith in God and in Jesus, the disciples will do the work that Jesus has done and more.

The connection between Jesus and His Father, between Jesus' work and the work of the Father, is made clear in today's Gospel. Jesus is in the Father and God the Father is in Jesus. As God spoke His name to Moses, "I am," so too Jesus speaks His name to His disciples: I am the way and the truth and the life."

The revelation of the Trinity is completed in the passage that follows today's reading, and it is the Gospel for next Sunday. Because Jesus goes away, the Father will send in Jesus' name the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, who will continue the work of the Father and of Jesus.

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#### THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The KOC continue to fundraise by collecting EMPTIES, such as the following: Beer cans or bottles, wine bottles, spirits such as (vodka, rum or whiskey, etc. **Drop off location for empties, downstairs by the washrooms.** All proceeds will go to St. Thomas the Apostle and the Charities of the KOC.

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