# 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.

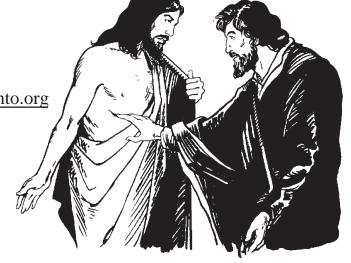
#### **MARRIAGES**

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"

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# Mass for the Intentions Week

**Monday May 15** 

12:10 p.m.

+Chik-Hing Anthony Yu (Family)

**Monday May 15** 

7:00 p.m.

+Winston Nugara

(Mr. & Mrs. Kolar)

**Tuesday May 16** 

12:10 p.m.

+Kazimierz Starkiewicz (Ramsay Family)

**Tuesday May 16** 

7:00 p.m.

+Norman Bueler (Bueler Family)

Wednesday May 17

12:10 p.m.

Intentions of Teresa Fernandes on her Birthday (Jackie Mackenzie)

Wednesday May 17

7:00 p.m.

In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of Giovanna Tse

(Family)

**Thursday May 18** 

12:10 p.m.

+Rev. J. Basil Breen (Jackie Mackenzie)

**Thursday May 18** 

7:00 p.m.

+Rev. J. Basil Breen (Jefferson Tse)

Friday May 19

12:10 p.m.

Living and deceased members of the Di Blasi Family

Friday May 19

7:00 p.m.

+Alex Chiu (Family)

Saturday May 20

9:00 a.m.

+Glenn Guillem

(Guillem Family)

Saturday May 20

5:00 p.m.

+Jayadurai and Ranjan Croos (Jasaiya Morais)

**Sunday May 21** 

8:00 a.m.

Intentions of Bill Castleford (Jackie Mackenzie)

**Sunday May 21** 

10:00 a.m.

+Jenny Chung Yue Hang (Frances Seto)

**Sunday May 21** 

12:00 p.m.

For the People of the Parish

# SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER SUNDAY MAY 14, 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:** For those who have no one to pray for them.

#### SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The Lord said, "I will not leave you orphaned." Pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life. 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.

We have a new email: stthomastheapostlema@archtoronto.org

stthomastheapostle@bellnet is no longer functioning.

#### PARISH OFFERTORY

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

We received: \$6,048.98 (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.

#### SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Gospel Reading – John 14:15-21

## JESUS TELLS HIS DISCIPLES THAT HE WILL SEND THEM ANOTHER ADVOCATE, THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH

Today's Gospel is a continuation of last week's Gospel: Jesus is speaking to His disciples at the Last Supper. In today's reading Jesus offers encouragement to His disciples, who will soon see Him crucified. He reassures them that even though He will leave them, He will not abandon them. Instead, He will send them the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, through whom the disciples will continue to live in union with Jesus.

Jesus uses the term *Advocate* to describe the Holy Spirit, whom the disciples will receive. Another word used to describe the Holy Spirit is *Paraclete*, a legal term meaning "one who offers defence for another." Not that Jesus says the He will send "another Advocate." Jesus Himself is the first Advocate, interceding for His disciples with the Father.

In today's reading Jesus contrasts His impending departure with the permanence of the gift of the Holy Spirit. Jesus will leave to return to the Father, but the Holy Spirit will remain with the disciples.

Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, the disciples will come to know and appreciate the unity of the Son and the Father. They will also understand that they too participate in the communion between the Father and the Son: "On that day you will realize that I am in My Father, and you are in Me and I in you" (John 14:20).

Today's reading is one example of the contrast that John's Gospel presents between the community of disciples, to whom God will reveal Himself and the unbelieving world, which will remain in darkness. The unbelieving world, which will remain in darkness. The unbelieving world cannot accept the "Spirit of Truth," whom the disciples will receive. Only through the Spirit will God's revelation and love be known.

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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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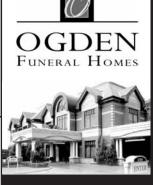
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