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)

SUNDAY MASSES

Part Time Secretary (Thursdays) - Maureen Daunt

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.



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Monday June 12

12:10 p.m.

+Alvin Smith (Jackie Mackenzie)

Monday June 12

7:00 p.m.

+Lawrence Fernandes (Kitty Serrao)

Tuesday June 13

12:10 p.m.

Intentions of Demers and Dube Families (Atkins Family)

Tuesday June 13

7:00 p.m.

+Shu Kai and King Fong Lam (Family)

Wednesday June 14

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12:10 p.m.

Souls in Purgatory

7:00 p.m.

+Henry and Dottie D'Souza (Pearl Noranho)

Thursday June 15

12:10 p.m.

+Eileen Logtenberg (Jackie Mackenzie)

Thursday June 15

7:00 p.m.

+Winston Nugara (Mr. and Mrs. Kolar)

Friday June 16

12:10 p.m.

+Father J. Basil Breen, Msgr. Gerard Breen, Father William Breen (Jackie Mackenzie)

Friday June 16

7:00 p.m.

Intentions of Gabrielle Lau (Al Jacob)

Saturday June 17

9:00 a.m.

Living and deceased members of the Mackenzie, Smith, Gilbou and Goodrow Families

(Jefferson Tse)

Saturday June 17

5:00 p.m.

For the intentions of J. F. and Kaylee Atkins (Family)

Sunday June 18

8:00 a.m.

+Ernesto Baja Sombero (Family)

Sunday June 18

10:00 a.m.

For the People of the Parish

Sunday June 18

12:00 p.m.

+Edward and Margaret Lynch (Family)

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST, CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY JUNE 11, 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.

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink to nourish us on our journey towards the kingdom. May we be faithful to Him on our journey as married, single, ordained or consecrated persons. If God is calling you to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life, contact: Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto 416-968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WHO RECEIVED THEIR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION ON THE GREAT SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI) We pray that receiving Jesus in the Holy Eucharist

weekly will continue to be an important part in their lives along with their families. Thank you to all the Catechists who donated their time and talent to teach the Most Holy Sacraments of Confession and the Holy Eucharist.

OUR SENIOR'S GROUP, OASIS MEETS EVERY TUESDAY AFTER THE NOON MASS

....for a little something for the **mind** (socialize with like minded people), **body** (physical exercises) and **soul** (Rosary and/or Divine Mercy chaplets), Join us from 1:00 to 3:00 for more information contact us at oasis.stthomas@gmail.com

ALL PARISH MINISTRIES INVITE YOU TO A PASTA DINNER

....and entertainment next Saturday 17 June after the 5:00 p.m. Mass in the large hall. Adults \$10.00 Children 3 to 10 years \$5.00. 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. – Happy hour (bring your own refreshments) Comedy hours, Karaoke, Line dancing, any talent you have to show.7:00 p.m. – Pasta dinner. 8:00 p.m. onwards entertainment to continue. For tickets call or text John 416-828-9711 and Les 905-479-6023



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PARISH OFFERTORY

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

We received: \$6,480.90 (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.

<u>THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS</u> WILL BE HAVING A BARBEQUE ON JUNE 25 AFTER ALL MASSES

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST Gospel Reading – John 6:51-58

JESUS SAYS, "I AM THE LIVING BREAD"

This Sunday we celebrate a second solemnity during this period of Ordinary Time in the Liturgical Calendar. Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. This day was once called *Corpus Christi*, which is Latin for "Body of Christ." In the revised Lectionary the name for this day is expanded to reflect more completely our Eucharistic theology.

Today's Gospel is taken from the Gospel according to John. The reading is part of a discourse between Jesus and a crowd of Jews. The discourse comes shortly after the miracle of Jesus' multiplication of the loaves and fishes. In John's Gospel, miracles such as this are identified as "signs" through which people come to believe that Jesus is the Son of God. These signs are followed by dialogue, or discourse that interprets and explains the miracle. In John's Gospel, Jesus' multiplication of the loaves is said to have occurred near Passover, thus linking it to the Exodus story and God's saving action toward the Israelites.

Having seen Jesus multiply the loaves and fishes, the crowd pursues Him, perhaps seeking more food but also looking for another sign. Jesus tells the crowd that He is the Bread of Life. He explains that just as God gave the Israelites manna to sustain them in the desert, so now God has sent new Manna that will give eternal life. It is in this context that Jesus repeats those words in today's Gospel and tells them again that He is the Living Bread that came down from Heaven.

Jesus' words are not well understood by the crowd; they argue that Jesus is not from heaven but born of Mary and Joseph. The crowd also has trouble understanding how Jesus could give His Flesh to eat. Jesus tells them that when they eat His Flesh and Drink His blood, they will remain forever connected to Him. These are difficult words, but they are important because they seek to show us our intimate connection with Jesus.

This is the mystery that is at the heart of our Eucharistic theology. In the elements of bread and wine, Jesus' Body and Blood are truly present. When we share in the Body and Blood of Christ, Jesus Himself comes to dwell within us. This communion with the Lord makes us one body, brings us eternal life and sends us forth to be Christ's Body in the world.

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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, 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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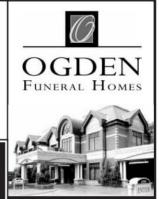


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