

St. Thomas the Apostle Church

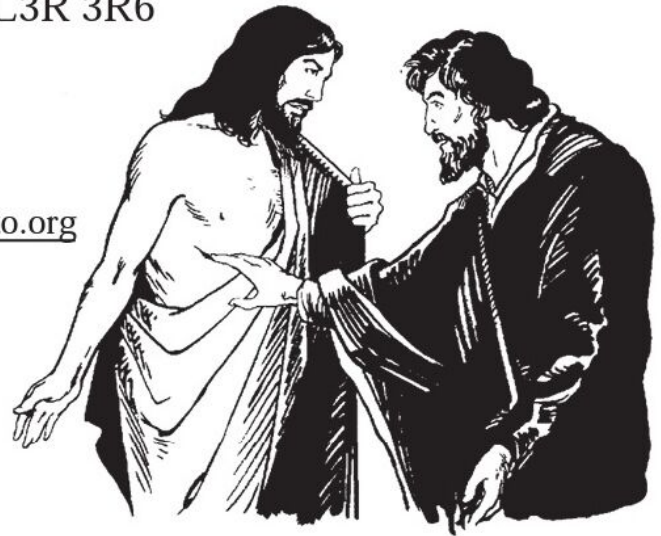
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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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Screening Coordinator	Liz Pinto	905-889-5755
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Prayer Group	Al Jacob	416-697-7179
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Knights of Columbus	Herwin Shillingford	416-824-3347
FNE Explorers	Maurice Chang	416-889-0183

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday September 11 12:10 p.m.
+Ciriaco Bulaon
(Tiongson and Bulaon Families)

Monday September 11 7:00 p.m.
+Ferdinand Moo Choy
(Alicia)

Tuesday September 12 12:10 p.m.
In Thanksgiving and for the
intentions of Pat Stuart

Tuesday September 12 7:00 p.m.
+Asuncion Policarpio
(Family)

Wednesday September 13 12:10 p.m.
Intentions of Dirk Hong Ping

Wednesday September 13 7:00 p.m.
+Dominic Ferri
(Family)

Thursday September 14 12:10 p.m.
Intentions of Philomena Logal
(Rose Family)

Thursday September 14 7:00 p.m.
+William Lapan, Sr.
(Family)

Friday September 15 12:10 p.m.
+Bellian Chua, Gregory, Eric, Jin Sim,
Jin Imm Tan
(Tan Family)

Friday September 15 7:00 p.m.
Intentions for the Genco Family

Saturday September 16 9:00 a.m.
+Austin Sun
(Allan Dinglasan)

Saturday September 16 5:00 p.m.
+Anna Choong and Limseok Chew
(Cheng Family)

Sunday September 17 8:00 a.m.
For the People of the Parish

Sunday September 17 10:00 a.m.
+Mary Holland
(Jackie Mackenzie)

Sunday September 17 12:00 p.m.
+Rodolfo Asilador
(Family)

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

PRAY FOR THE SICK: 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, Emilia Cabral, Jessica Kong, Dorine Couture, Maryann Redoblado, Cely Chichioco, Veronica Small, Annette McIntosh, Meadow Mahorn, Kevin Ramoutar, Benedict Maraj and Lucas Fernandes.

PRAY FOR THE DEAD: Eric Maddan and for those who have no one to pray for them.

RITE OF INITIATION OF ADULTS

If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, please call Juliette at 416-302-1823. Classes start in October.

CELEBRATION OF ST. MICHAEL AND CONFERRAL OF THE PALLIUM UPON THE MOST REVEREND FRANCIS LEO

**Friday September 29, 2023 – 5:30 p.m. –
St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica**

The Archdiocese of Toronto celebrated the Feast Day of our Archdiocesan patron, St. Michael, on Friday, September 29, 2023. All are welcome to join in a special celebration on that day at 5:40 p.m. at [St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica](#) (65 Bond Street) Archbishop Francis Leo will celebrate Mass, with music from the world-renowned St. Michael's Choir School. As part of the celebration, the Apostolic Nuncio to Canada, the Most Reverend Ivan Jurkovic will confer the pallium on our archbishop, a symbol of his role as Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto and shepherd of the faithful.

Following Mass, there will be an informal reception with light refreshments in the St. Michael's Cathedral atrium and courtyard. Seating will be first come, first served. All are welcome to join in this special celebration for our archdiocese and archbishop!

PARISH OFFERTORY

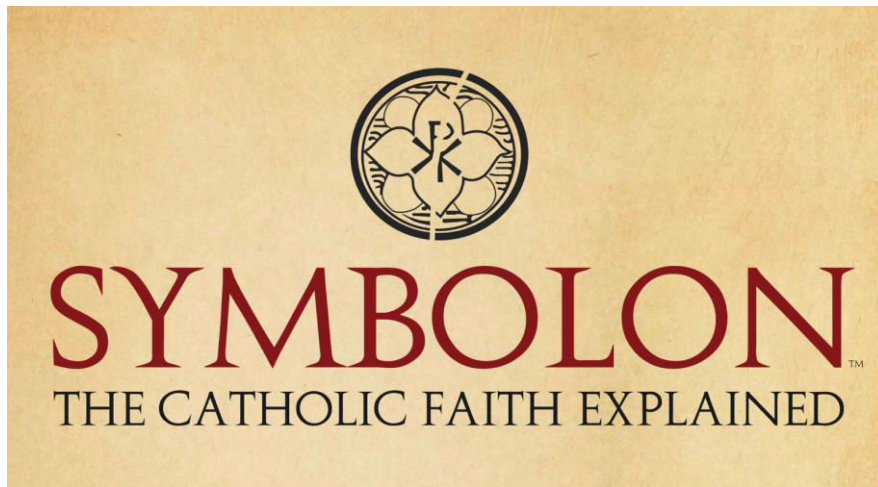
**Weekly goal \$7,500.00 (to meet our expenses). We received: \$7,133.99
(Includes Pag, Donate Now, etc.)**

THE 109th WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES – SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 24

This occasion will be marked with the celebration of Mass, which will take place on Sunday, September 24, 2023, at 12:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Transfiguration, located at 10350 Victoria Square Blvd. in Markham. Monsignor Makarios Wehbi will preside, and Bishop John Boissoneau will be the homilist. A short program will follow. All are welcome.



OUR THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE will begin the weekend of September 8/9 and end Thanksgiving weekend October 7/8. Food donations can be dropped off just outside the downstairs washrooms. Donations requested: tomato sauce, canned tomatoes, soup and stews, mayonnaise, jams, granola bars, mustard, beans, chickpeas, canned corn, breakfast cereals, peanut butter. Thank you for your generosity.

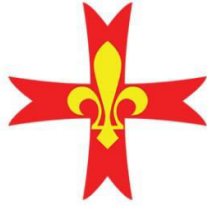


SYMBOLON: THE CATHOLIC CHURCH EXPLAINED

In time for Christmas, we are launching SYMBOLON: The Catholic Faith explained. Part 1: Knowing the Faith. Part 2: Living the Faith. Join in fellowship every Tuesday starting 10th of October. 10 sessions to conclude 11 December. Each session is 90 minutes. You don't have to attend all the sessions. For more information: contact Les Rodrigues 905-479-6023.

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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Gospel Reading: Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus teaches His disciples how to settle disputes in the Church.

Today's Gospel reading is taken from a chapter of Matthew's Gospel, which is sometimes called the "discourse on the Church" or the "church order" discourse. In this part of Matthew's Gospel, Jesus speaks more directly about matters of Church discipline and order. In today's reading we find one of only three instances in which Jesus uses the word *church* in Matthew's Gospel. In Matthew's record of Jesus' teaching, we can hear echoes of the kinds of issues faced by the early Christian community.

In the first part of the "discourse on the Church" (Matthew 18:1-14), Matthew addresses the Christian community's concerns about rank. Jesus responds to the disciples' question about who is greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven. Jesus indicates that those who wish to enter the Kingdom of Heaven must be like children, and He cautions those leaders who might lead these "little ones" astray. He also responds with the parable of the lost sheep, indicating how God will seek out and bring back those "little ones" who have strayed.

In today's Gospel reading, Matthew 18:15-20, Jesus addresses a common occurrence in the Christian community: a dispute between two members of the Church. Jesus outlines a procedure for settling such matters fairly. The victim should privately address the offender and attempt to resolve the dispute without outside involvement. If that fails, then the victim should bring two or three witnesses and confront the offender again. If the dispute is still unresolved, the matter should be brought to the attention of the entire community. If the offender refuses to adhere to the reparations prescribed by the community, then Jesus suggests that the offender may be expelled from the Church.

Jesus does not discourage disagreement within the community of the Church; He acknowledges the reality of conflict and error and offers His disciples a means for addressing such matters. It is in the conclusion to this teaching that the message of hope is found. Jesus is present with the community and will guide the community in its relations. If decisions are taken in prayer, then the community can be assured of God's assistance.

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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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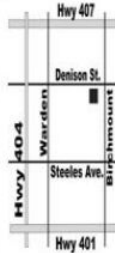
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