

# St. Thomas the Apostle Church

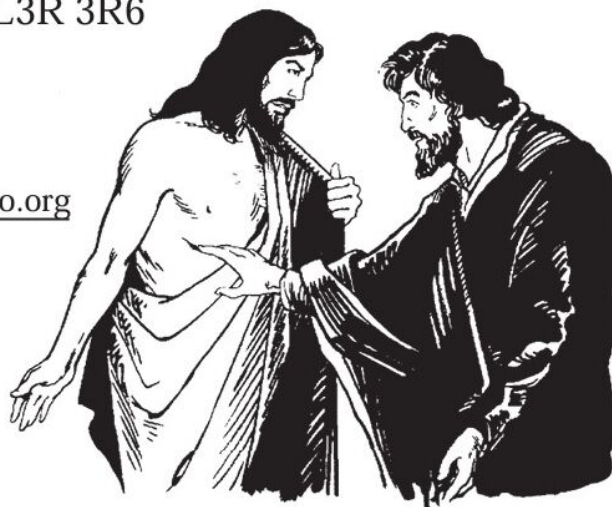
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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
 Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
 Saturday: Office Closed

Pastor - Fr. Allyn Rose (ext. 222)  
 Father Patrick Gnanapragasam (in residence) 647-877-1774  
 Deacon - Everis Munroe (ext. 223)  
 Secretary - Jackie Mackenzie (ext. 221)  
 Part Time Secretary: 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

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St. Francis Xavier	905-470-2225

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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
R.C.I.A.	Juliette Huang	416-302-1823
Legion of Mary Sr.	Amy Rebeiz	647-643-2232
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Society of St. Vincent de Paul		905-474-1224 ext. 230
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
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### DAY CARE

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

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

- Monday February 5 12:10 p.m.**  
+Clarissa Potter  
(Family)
- Monday February 5 7:00 p.m.**  
Souls in Purgatory
- Tuesday February 6 12:10 p.m.**  
+Vicenta Jardenil  
(Family)
- Tuesday February 6 7:00 p.m.**  
Thanksgiving for Errol Augustine  
(Family)
- Wednesday February 7 12:10 p.m.**  
+Mary Lynch  
(Family)
- Wednesday February 7 7:00 p.m.**  
In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of  
Dennis and Regina Poon  
(Jefferson Tse)
- Thursday February 8 12:10 p.m.**  
+Joe Price  
(The Rose Family)
- Thursday February 8 7:00 p.m.**  
Intentions of Krizia Del Rosario
- Friday February 9 12:10 p.m.**  
+Miguel Francisco  
(Maria Francisco)
- Friday February 9 7:00 p.m.**  
Intentions of Rene Roth, Andreas Roth,  
Emilia Roth and Margeret Xun  
(Family)
- Saturday February 10 9:00 a.m.**  
+Angelo Rubino  
(Family)
- Saturday February 10 5:00 p.m.**  
In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of  
Rita and Steve Martis on their 25<sup>th</sup>  
Wedding Anniversary  
(Family)
- Sunday February 11 8:00 a.m.**  
+Corazon and Noe Concepcion, Sr.  
(Family)
- Sunday February 11 10:00 a.m.**  
+Carmela Sidoti  
(Family)
- Sunday February 11 12:00 p.m.**  
+Luciano Garcia  
(Garcia Family)

## **FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**SUNDAY FEBRUARY 4, 2024**

**PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Giuseppina Sala, Fitzroy James, Edilberto Claveria, Jack Wilson, Phillip Kong, Teresa Kong, Aloysius Carvalho, Nicholas Marshall, 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, Veronica Small, Annette McIntosh, Kevin Ramoutar, Benedict Maraj and Mimi Borromeo, Erlinda Petfield, Anthony Small, Maryann Redoblado, Jonrick Carlo Bautista, Luchie Redoblado, Audrey Carb, Deacon Everis Munroe, Gregorio Cardelli, Francis Castor Jr. and Joyce D'Souza

**PRAY FOR THE DEAD:** Mother Speranza, Father Jon Bromley, Father Manfred Schmid, Father Noel Welan, Deacon Brian Du Quesnay, Grace DiFede and for those who have no one to pray for them.



## **FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Jesus created much excitement in His day through His preaching, teaching, and healing. Today, the Church communicates that same wonder and grace by those active in the priesthood, religious life, and lay ministries. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call **Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.**

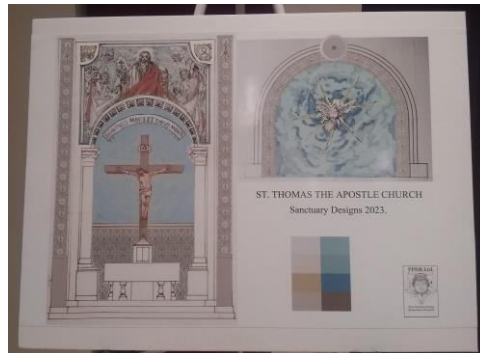
Email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

Website: [www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)



## 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.

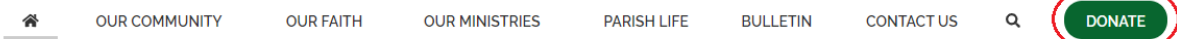


## SANCTUARY RENOVATIONS

The second phase of our [Sanctuary renovation project](#) is continuing. We would like to reopen fundraising for the new phase and are hoping to raise another \$45,000.00, approximately half of the cost of the work to be completed. There are three ways that you can give:

- 1) Bring your donation to the office during office hours.
- 2) Place your donation in a blank envelope with your parish envelope # in the collection basket at a weekend Mass. Please write **Sanctuary Renovation** on the front of the envelope.

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- 3) Go to the [Donate](#) button on our parish website. You can donate using your debit or credit card. After you complete the donation process, you will receive an email confirmation receipt. Please print out a copy of the receipt, write **Sanctuary Renovation** on the receipt and bring it to the office so that we can allocate the money to the Sanctuary Project and not to the general account. **We have collected: \$22,305.00**



## PARISH OFFERTORY

Weekly goal \$7,500 (to meet our expenses)

We received: \$6,472.22 January 28, 2024



## **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 IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Gospel Reading: Mark 1 :29-39**

*Jesus cures Simon's mother-in-law and many others as well.*

Today we continue to read from Mark's Gospel, learning more about the ministry of Jesus. Jesus cured Simon's mother-in-law, and she immediately began to serve Jesus and His disciples. Jesus also cured many others who were brought to Him, healing their illnesses and driving out demons. As we will see throughout Mark's Gospel, Jesus did not permit the demons to speak because they knew His identity and would have revealed it to those who were present.

On the morning after this busy day, Jesus retreated in prayer, but was pursued by Simon and others who brought news that many people were looking for Him. At this point in Mark's Gospel, we begin to see a distinct role for the inner circle of Jesus' disciples – they act as intermediaries between Jesus and the people. Jesus reports to His disciples that they need to leave Capernaum to preach in other places.

Today's Gospel completes a picture of Jesus' ministry: preaching, curing the sick, driving out demons, and then moving on to continue this work in another place. Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus did this throughout Galilee.

Jesus' compassion and healing of the sick is a sign of the Kingdom of God. The Church continues to extend Christ's healing presence to others in its ministry to the sick. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, the Church prays for the spiritual and physical healing, forgiveness of sins, and comfort for those who are suffering from illness.

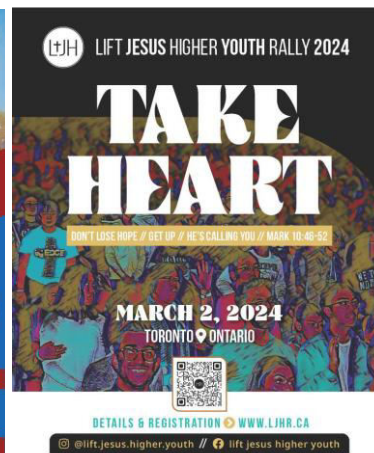
In today's Gospel we also notice the importance of prayer in Jesus' daily life. Jesus rose early in the morning, removed Himself from the crowds, and went to a deserted place to pray. When the disciples found Him, He told them that it was time to move on. We believe that in His prayers Jesus found guidance and direction from God. We also bring our decision – making to God in prayer, asking for His guidance and direction in our lives.



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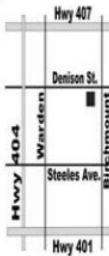
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