

# St. Thomas the Apostle Church

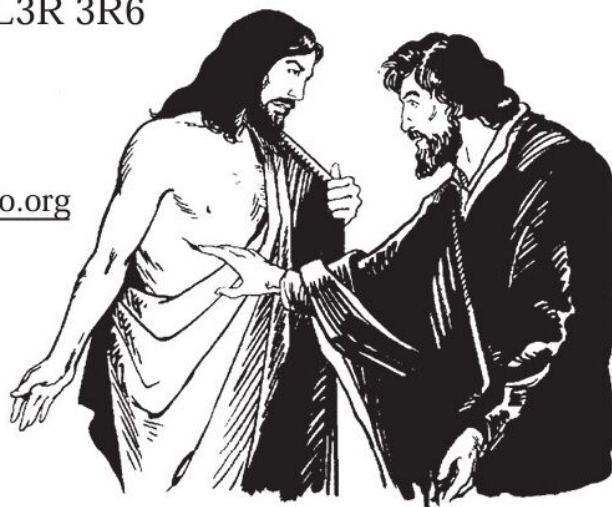
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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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”

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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 for the Intentions Week

## **THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI) SUNDAY JUNE 2, 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, 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, Anthony Small, Jonrick Carlo Bautista, Luchie Redoblado, Audrey Carb, Gregorio Cardelli, Francis Castor Jr., Anna Azini, Kevin Caleb Wenyuen Song and Tony Pinto.

**PRAY FOR THE DEAD:** Father Paul Lennon and for those who have no one to pray for them.

- Monday June 3** 12:10 p.m.  
Intentions of Mary Sen  
(Family)
- Monday June 3** 7:00 p.m.  
+Elizabeth Grandy
- Tuesday June 4** 12:10 p.m.  
+Sophie Tos  
(Thomas and Erin Butash)
- Tuesday June 4** 7:00 p.m.  
Souls in Purgatory
- Wednesday June 5** 12:10 p.m.  
+Terrence Lahey  
(Family)
- Wednesday June 5** 7:00 p.m.  
+Allen and Stella Jacob  
(Jacob Family)
- Thursday June 6** 12:10 p.m.  
+Mary Kamala Nicholas and Family  
+Rosaline Thirchelvam and Family  
(Family)
- Thursday June 6** 7:00 p.m.  
+Elizabeth Grandy
- Friday June 7** 12:10 p.m.  
+Msgr. Gerard Breen  
+Father William Breen  
+Father J. Basil Breen  
(Jackie Mackenzie)
- Friday June 7** 7:00 p.m.  
Vocations to the Priesthood
- Saturday June 8** 9:00 a.m.  
+Adriana Diane Geleff
- Saturday June 8** 5:00 p.m.  
+Enrique De Las Alas  
(Family)
- Sunday June 9** 8:00 a.m.  
For the People of the Parish
- Sunday June 9** 10:00 a.m.  
+Francis Tavares  
(Family)
- Sunday June 9** 12:00 Noon  
Sister Mary McGraw  
(Connie Tavares)



The Most Holy  
Body & Blood of Christ  
*Corpus Christi*

June 2, 2024



### **SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**

Receiving the Eucharist is a real sign of unity in our Church. God nourishes us with the “Bread from Heaven: if we have ordained priests to celebrate the Liturgy. **If you feel the inclination 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)



### **PARISH OFFERTORY**

Weekly goal \$7,500 (to meet our expenses).  
We received: \$5,949.35 (May 26, 2024, - includes PAG and Donate Now).



**SOLEMNITY OF  
The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**

A celebration of Jesus' physical heart  
symbolic of his divine love for humanity

Jesus has loved us all with a human heart. For this reason, the Sacred Heart of Jesus, pierced by our sins and for our salvation, is quite rightly considered the chief sign and symbol of that love with which the divine Redeemer continually loves the eternal Father and all human beings without exception.  
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*Lord Jesus,  
render my heart ever more like yours,  
full of love and faithfulness.*  
POPE FRANCIS

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IMAGE FROM SACRED HEART OF JESUS PARISH, ETOBICOKE

**THIS WEEK (JUNE 7) IS THE FIRST FRIDAY OF JUNE**  
**(ALSO, THE SOLEMNITY OF THE SACRED HEART)**

Adoration of our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament after the 7:00 p.m. evening Mass  
until Benediction at 11:45 p.m.

Re-Dedication  
of our Church by

Friday, July 5, 2024  
at 7 pm

**Archbishop  
Francis Leo**

followed by  
refreshments  
in the large hall

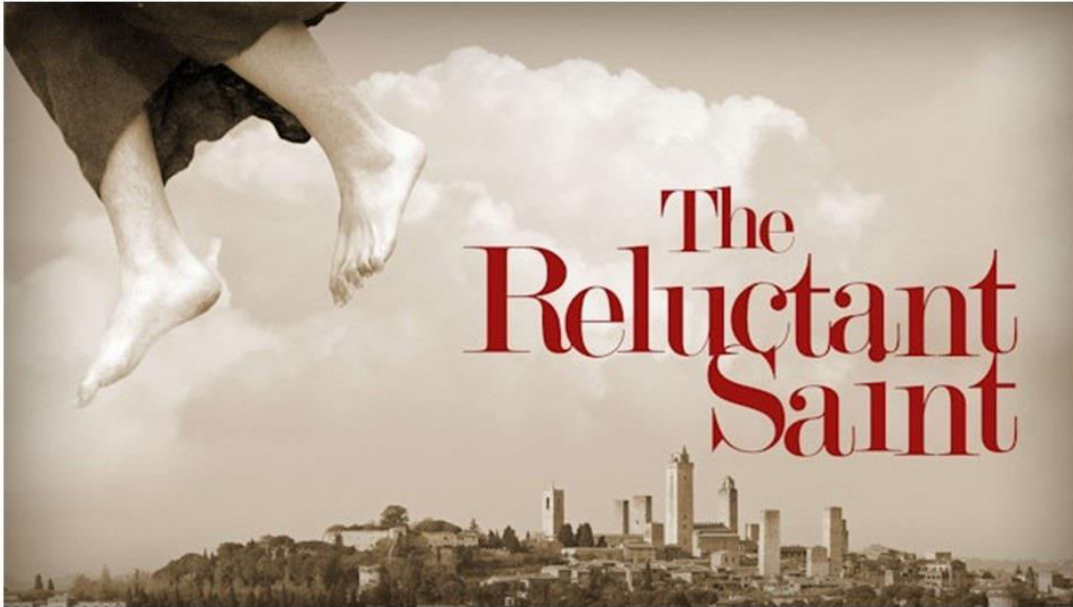
**ON FRIDAY JULY 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2024 OUR CHURCH WILL BE REDEDICATED BY ARCHBISHOP FRANCIS LEO IN CELEBRATION OF THE BEAUTIFICATION OF OUR SANCTUARY**

The Rededication will take place at 7:00 p.m. followed by refreshments in the large hall. All are welcome.

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## DINNER & A MOVIE WITH THE SAINTS



**The Reluctant Saint** - Joseph of Cupertino, a simple young man thought by many in his village to be an idiot, is pressured to enter a monastery. He does so, and surprises everyone by passing the entrance exam to study for the priesthood. But this is only the first of many surprises from the man who would become **Saint Joseph Cupertino (The Flying Saint)**.

**Saturday June 15, 2024**

Time: 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm

Dinner: 6:00 pm followed by the movie

Venue: St. Thomas the Apostle Church Hall

**ORGANIZED BY THE MEN'S GROUP**

**ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE, MARKHAM**

**DINNER AND MOVIE WITH THE SAINTS.**

**Saturday June 15th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**

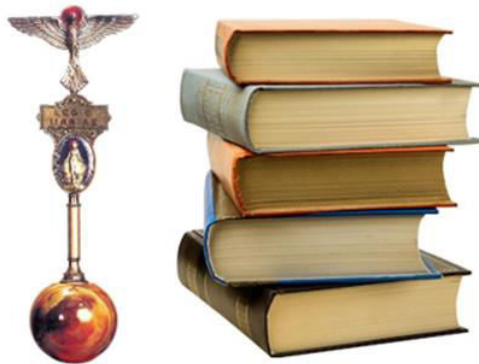
**Dinner: 6:00 p.m. followed by the movie in the Church hall,  
organized by the men's group.**

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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.



### **THE LEGION OF MARY IS HAVING A “BOOK BORROW” ON JUNE 7 AT THE 12:10 P.M. AND 7:00 P.M. MASSES**

A book borrow is a library of spiritual/religious books that parishioners can borrow at no cost, to read at their leisure and return the signed-out items when they are done with them. These books will help deepen the faith in life’s journey. To assist you with your choice of book(s), legionaries will be available in the foyer of the church after the Mass.



### **YOUR LOVE AND COMPASSION LED THOUSANDS ON THE PATH TO HEALING**

Through your kind support, you eased the struggles of 23,000 people by providing access to mental health care. Your compassion provides families access to counselling sessions from our Catholic family agencies. We now have **\$54,668.33** towards our goal of **\$100,000.00** We are grateful to the parishioner who donated **\$17,899.98**, helping us to get closer to our goal. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, [online through our parish website](#), or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).



## **THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY OF CHRIST**

**Gospel Reading: Mark 14:12-16, 22-26**

*Jesus shares His Last Supper with His disciples.*

Today, the second Sunday after Pentecost, we celebrate a second Solemnity, which marks our return to Ordinary Time in the Liturgical calendar. Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. At one time, this day was called *Corpus Christi*, the Latin words for “the Body of Christ”. In the most recent revision of our Liturgical rites, the name for this day is expanded to be a more complete reflection of our Eucharistic theology.

In our reading for today, we read the account of the Last Supper found in the Gospel of Mark. It begins with the instructions that Jesus gave to His disciples to prepare their Passover celebration. It then goes on to give an account of the Last Supper. On this Sunday, however, our Lectionary reading omits the verses between these two passages; in those omitted verses we hear Jesus predict His betrayal by one of His disciples.

The Gospel of Mark describes Jesus’ Last Supper with His disciples as a celebration of the Jewish Feast of Passover. The Jewish celebration of Passover is a memorial to and a ritual participation in the defining moment of Israel’s history. It celebrates God’s deliverance of His people from slavery in Egypt. The Passover meal includes many ritually important elements, such as unleavened bread, lamb, and bitter herbs. Each food item recalls an aspect of the Exodus event. The instructions for the preparation of this meal are carefully prescribed in the Law of Moses. It is a central obligation of the Jewish faith tradition to celebrate this meal and to give thanks to God for His deliverance and protections.

In the description of the Passover meal found in today’s Gospel, however, Mark omits many elements of the Jewish Passover meal. Instead, he describes only those elements he believes to be most essential to the Christian Eucharist: Jesus took bread, blessed the bread, broke the bread, and shared it with His disciples. Similar words and actions follow as Jesus shares the chalice with His disciples. This bread now shared is Jesus’ own body. Those who drink from the Chalice are invited to share in a New Covenant which will be sealed by Jesus’ own Blood. Mark’s Eucharistic theology looks forward to the Kingdom of God that Jesus inaugurates.

The Gospel for today reminds us that the Eucharist is a memorial of Christ’s Sacrifice on the Cross. We believe that Jesus is truly present to us in the elements of bread and wine. Each time we celebrate this Sacrament, we prepare for the Kingdom of God. This celebration, as the Second Vatican Council taught us, is the source and summit of the Christian life.

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