

St. Thomas the Apostle Church

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Saturday: 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

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 Secretaries: Maureen Daunt, Geraldine Rocha

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

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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Society of St. Vincent de Paul		905-474-1224 ext. 230
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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 October 28** 12:10 p.m.
Intentions of
Julia McTaggart on her Birthday
(Jackie Mackenzie)
- Monday October 28** 7:00 p.m.
Deceased Members of the
Rodrigues Family
- Tuesday October 29** 12:10 p.m.
Intentions of Boris D'Souza
(Family)
- Tuesday October 29** 7:00 p.m.
+Ann Canagasuriam
(Family)
- Wednesday October 30** 12:10 p.m.
Intentions of Boris D'Souza
(Family)
- Wednesday October 30** 7:00 p.m.
Intentions of
Jason, Rosy, Julian, Tristan and Elliot
(Al Jacob)
- Thursday October 31** 12:10 p.m.
+Christopher Chiu
(Family)
- Thursday October 31** 7:00 p.m.
Intentions of David Jose
- Friday November 1** 12:10 p.m.
All Saints Day
- Friday November 1** 7:00 p.m.
Vocations to the Priesthood
- Saturday November 2** 9:00 a.m.
All Souls Day
- Saturday November 2** 12:00 Noon
All Souls Day
- Saturday November 2** 5:00 p.m.
+Maxime, Marie Anne and Joseph
Yves-Chan-Yan-Fong
(JP and Virginie Chan)
- Sunday November 3** 8:00 a.m.
For the People of the Parish
- Sunday November 3** 10:00 a.m.
+Elizabeth Vieira-Ribeiro
(Family)
- Sunday November 3** 12:00 Noon
Souls in Purgatory
(Patricia Stuart)

THIRTIETH SUNDAY **IN ORDINARY TIME** **SUNDAY OCTOBER 27, 2024**

PRAY FOR THE SICK: 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., Kevin Caleb, Wenyuen Song, Kelly Smith, Collin Pereira, Thomas Chan, Yeran Kasardjian, Yeran Artine, Mark Huang, and Anna Azimi

PRAY FOR THE DEAD: Wilfred Schultz, Sharon Vernon, Fe Pabilona, Sonia Louise Hanley, and for those who have no one to pray for them.



THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The blind beggar Bartimaeus would not listen to the many people scolding him to be quiet but shouted all the louder in prayer “Son of David, have mercy on me!” Only then did Jesus call him over and answered his need. Bartimaeus becomes a powerful example of how persistent we must be in prayer when we are asking God to show us His Will for our lives. And then, ask Him for the grace to accept it. **If you feel God is offering you the grace of a Church vocation, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.**

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

Website: www.vocationstoronto.ca

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH, MARKHAM

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CHRIST THE KING FEAST & ADVENT – HALF DAY OF REFLECTION

TALK 1:

**CHRIST THE KING –
HE WILL COME AGAIN IN
GLORY TO JUDGE THE
LIVING AND THE DEAD**



TALK 2:

**ADVENT – COMING OF
THE NEW BORN KING**



**Reflection Director: Fr. Elvise Lukong
(Associate Pastor of Epiphany of Our Lord Parish)**

Date: Saturday November 23, 2024

Time: 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

**Mass at 9:00 am, Light breakfast at 9:30 am followed
by talks at 10:00 am**

Venue: St. Thomas the Apostle Church Hall

ORGANIZED BY THE MEN'S GROUP

CHRIST THE KING FEAST & ADVENT – HALF DAY OF REFLECTION

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2024



THIS WEEK (NOVEMBER 1) IS THE FIRST FRIDAY OF NOVEMBER

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

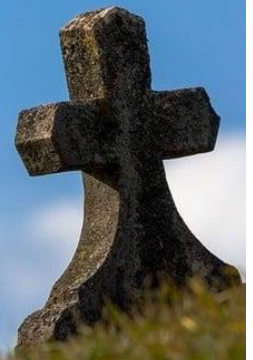
**On All Souls' Day - Saturday, November 2, 2024
there will be an additional Mass at 12:00 noon**

**9:00 am - usual Saturday morning Mass
12:00 noon - additional All Souls Day
Saturday Mass**

Almighty God,
by the mystery of the cross,
you have made us strong.
By the sacrament of the resurrection,
you have sealed us as your own.
Look kindly upon your servants
now freed from the bonds of mortality,
and count them among
your saints in heaven.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.



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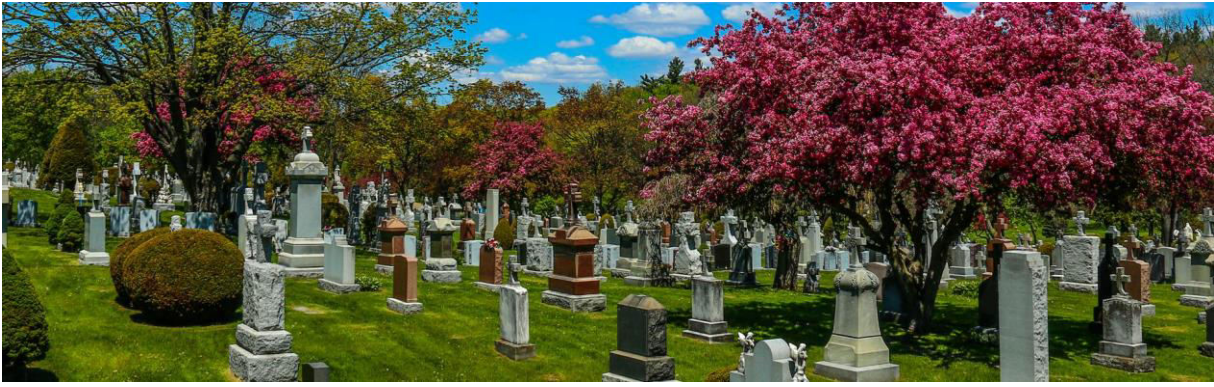


**THERE WILL BE AN EXTRA MASS ON SATURDAY NOVEMBER 2 AT 12:00 NOON
FOR THE HOLY SOULS**



PARISH OFFERTORY

**Weekly goal \$7,500.00 (to meet our expenses).
We received \$7,729.04 - Includes PAG and Donate Now.**



**TODAY WE WELCOME CATHOLIC CEMETERIES
AND FUNERAL SERVICES TO OUR PARISH**

[Catholic Cemeteries](#) are a vital part of the Catholic Church. Operated under the auspices of the Archdiocese of Toronto, each Catholic Cemetery and funeral home reflects our Catholic beliefs. If you have any questions today, Frank Jannetta will be in the foyer and will be happy to speak to you.



**OUR FNE EXPLORER GROUP IS BASED HERE AT ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE
PARISH AND HAS LIMITED OPENINGS FOR ITS WEDNESDAY NIGHT
BOYS' TIMBERWOLF DEN FOR BOYS IN GRADES 3 TO 6**

Potentially interested boys and their parents are welcome to drop by to try it out. Meetings run from 6:40 to 8:35 p.m. Please visit their website at www.fneexplorers.com for more information. Please contact Paul Ritchi at 416-435-6593 or email us at paul.ritchi@gmail.com with any questions you may have.

- [Link to short video](#) from a FNE Timberwolf den meeting in our Parish Hall.



CHRISTMAS AT MOUNT CARMEL CONCERT, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14 TO DECEMBER 15

Enjoy a beautiful Christmas-Style weekend at [Mount Carmel Monastery](#) in Niagara Falls, complete with Traditional Christmas concert by the choir of St. Thomas More Parish, Niagara Falls. The weekend includes lunch on arrival at Mount Carmel, the concert at 2:00 p.m. and Christmas Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Sunday includes breakfast at 8:00 a.m. Lunch at 12:00 Noon. Bus leaves Precious Blood Parish promptly at 9:45 a.m. on Saturday, December 15th. Non-refundable cost: \$205.00 per person for double occupancy. Non-refundable cost \$220.00 per person for single occupancy. **For more information or a reservation, call Ann Mullan 416-704-0435.**

OASIS Lunch and Learn

Who: We invite all parishioners, family, and friends.

Where: St. Thomas the Apostle Church Hall,
14 Highgate Drive, Markham.

When: Every second Tuesday of the month
from September 2024 to March 2025.

What: Insights on Wellness and Mental Health Workshops.

Program: Mass at 12:10 pm, followed by workshop
from 12:45 pm to 2:30 pm. **Registration needed.**

Lunch will be served with free will giving.

How to register: Text or call Les (905-479-6023),
Russell (647-898-6480) or Fran (647-787-5771).

OASIS (Older Adults Sharing In Service)

"We provide a little something for the mind, body and soul."

INSIGHTS ON WELLNESS

SENIORS MENTAL HEALTH WORKSHOPS



Let us learn, share, and feel good together!

Finding Purpose and Living a wholehearted life – Sept 10
Chronic illness and Mental health (isolation/depression) - Oct 08
Self-care: a Life skill for Healthy living – Nov 12
Healthy Fences: Conflict and problem-solving skills: Dec 10
Mending and repairing relationships with family/friends – Jan 14
Love is in the air / communicating love and connection – Feb 11
Living/ending well – handling pain and suffering– March 11

Catholic Family Services of Toronto

Nathalie Bedros 416-921-1163 ext.2251



OASIS LUNCH AND WORKSHOPS

Lunch and Learn workshops: Insights on wellness and mental health, hosted by OASIS every Second Tuesday of the month from September to March. Learn about isolation, depression, dementia, grieving, self care, fitness, etc. Mass at 12:10 pm followed by lunch (free will giving) and workshop. **More details on bulletin board. Reservation is a must for organizing lunch. Please call Les Rodrigues @ 905-479-6023.**

- [Link to September 1, 2024 Facebook livestream Mass video](#) presentation by Les Rodrigues for the **OASIS Lunch and Learn talks (at the 50:32 mark of the video).**



**DON'T FORGET TO TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR
THE WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 2/3, 2024**

- **FYI reminder:** Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday, November 3, 2024 at 2:00 am.
- Remember to set your clocks **BACK** one hour when you go to bed on Saturday evening, November 2, 2024.
- [Here is a link with detailed information regarding the time change](#)



THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Gospel Reading: Mark 10:46-52

Jesus restores sight to the blind man, Bartimaeus.

Today we continue to read from Mark's Gospel. In this Gospel, we find evidence of Jesus' fame in the sizable crowd that accompanies Him as He journeys to Jerusalem. Jesus' reputation as a healer has preceded Him. When the blind man, Bartimaeus, hears that Jesus of Nazareth is passing by, he calls out to Him, asking for His pity.

When Bartimaeus calls out to Jesus, the crowd around him tries to silence him. Yet Bartimaeus persists, calling out more loudly and with greater urgency. He will not be silenced or deterred from getting Jesus' attention. We notice how quickly the crowd's reaction changes when Jesus calls for Bartimaeus. Those who sought to quiet him now encourage him.

When Jesus restores Bartimaeus's sight, no elaborate action is required. (in other healing stories in Mark's Gospel, actions accompany Jesus' words). In this instance, Jesus simply says that Bartimaeus's faith has saved him. Throughout Mark's Gospel, the success of Jesus' healing power has often been correlated with the faith of the person requesting Jesus' help. For example, it is because of her faith that the woman with the hemorrhage is healed. When faith is absent, Jesus is unable to heal; we see this after His rejection in Nazareth.

Once his sight has been restored, Bartimaeus follows Jesus on His way to Jerusalem. In Mark's Gospel, Bartimaeus is the last disciple called by Jesus before He enters Jerusalem. Bartimaeus hears that Jesus of Nazareth is passing by, but he calls out to Jesus using words of faith – "Son of David." Many in Jesus' time believed that the anticipated Jewish Messiah would be a descendent of King David. Bartimaeus's words prepare us for the final episodes of Mark's Gospel, which begin with Jesus' preparation for the Passover and His triumphant entry into Jerusalem. As Mark has shown us in our readings over the past few Sundays, however, Jesus will be the Messiah in a way that will be difficult for many to accept. Jesus will show Himself to be the Messiah through His suffering and death.

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