

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”

SCHOOLS

St. Benedict 905-475-9646

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PARISH GROUPS

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Prayer Group	Al Jacob	416-697-7179
Seniors	Les Rodrigues	905-479-6023
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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St. Mary of Leuca 905-475-2536

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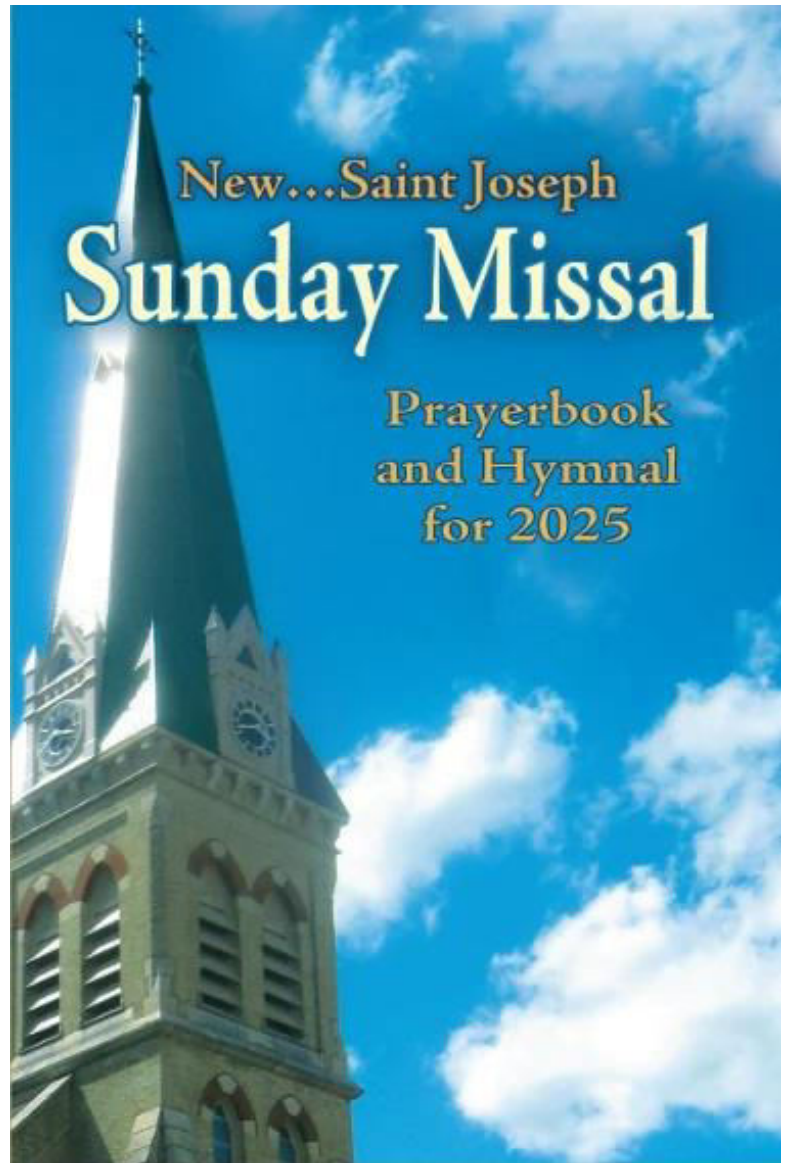
Mass for the Intentions Week

- Monday November 11** 12:10 p.m.
In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of
Father Patrick Gnanapragasam
(Jefferson Tse)
- Monday November 11** 7:00 p.m.
+Arlinda Fernandes
(Fernandes Family)
- Tuesday November 12** 12:10 p.m.
+Msgr. Gerard Breen
(Jackie Mackenzie)
- Tuesday November 12** 7:00 p.m.
In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of
Father Patrick and Father Martin Pereira
(Menezes Family)
- Wednesday November 13** 12:10 p.m.
Souls in Purgatory
(JP and Virginia Chan)
- Wednesday November 13** 7:00 p.m.
+Eva Ho-Koon
(Family)
- Thursday November 14** 12:10 p.m.
+Msgr. Gerard Breen
(Jefferson Tse)
- Thursday November 14** 7:00 p.m.
Souls in Purgatory
(Yu Family)
- Friday November 15** 12:10 p.m.
Deceased Family and Friends
of The Pucyk Family
- Friday November 15** 7:00 p.m.
Nichola Pillai Antonia Pillai
(Family)
- Saturday November 16** 9:00 a.m.
Deceased Members of the
Ling and Huang Families
(Family)
- Saturday November 16** 5:00 p.m.
+Diane Germaine Demers
(Atkins Family)
- Sunday November 17** 8:00 a.m.
For the People of the Parish
- Sunday November 17** 10:00 a.m.
+Mary Joe Ku
(Family)
- Sunday November 17** 12:00 Noon
+Bernadette Tow-Ying
+Lee Voon Ah-Chong
(JP and Virginia Chan)

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY NOVEMBER 10, 2024

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Fitzroy James, Edilberto Claveria, Jack Wilson, Phillip Kong, Teresa Kong, Aloysius Carvalho, Nicholas Marshall, Al Jacob, Kevin Ramoutar, Agnes Yuen, Jessica Kong, Dorine Couture, Wai Wong, Maria Francisco, Elizabeth David and Anna Azimi

PRAY FOR THE DEAD: Elizabeth de Nully, and for those who have no one to pray for them.



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We are accepting Sponsorship of Missals. Please see back table for more details.

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PARISH OFFERTORY

Weekly goal \$7,500.00 (to meet our expenses).
We received \$8,744.49 - Includes PAG and Donate Now.



All Seniors welcome

OASIS Christmas Luncheon
Tuesday 17 December 2024
From 12:30 to 3:00 pm
St. Thomas the Apostle Church Hall

1:00 pm: Buffet lunch, dessert, water, tea and coffee
Bring Christmas cheers to share.
Karaoke, Carol singing, Line dancing.

Tickets: OASIS members \$15. All others \$20
To reserve your tickets contact
Les 905-479-6023 Or Russell 647-898-6480 Or Jim 416-432-9288
Online: e transfer to fmartis51@gmail.com
Tickets, if available will be sold after all weekend Masses, December 7/8 and 14/15
membership \$5.00. OASIS is registering as non-profit and will be applying for seniors funding.

OASIS CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON - TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2024

- To reserve your tickets contact Les 905-479-6023 or Russell 647-898-6480 or Jim 416-432-9288
- Online: e transfer to fmartis51@gmail.com



THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

How are you contributing to the treasury? God knows what gift we give to Him in love. Let us then be faithful to whatever vocation God calls us to live. Does Jesus want you to give your life to the Church? **If you think that God is calling you serve Him as a priest, religious or deacon, call Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.**

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org
Website: www.vocationstoronto.ca

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. 12:10 pm Mass 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.**
- **Third workshop Tuesday November 12th. ‘Selfcare: A life skill for healthy living’.**
- **[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).**



REGISTRATION PACKAGES FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

For students in Grades 7 and up are available in the parish office. These are for students who attend other schools. Students who attend St. Francis Xavier and St. Benedict will receive the registration package through their school.



THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Gospel Reading: Mark 12:38-44

Jesus notices a poor widow's offering and commends her great sacrifice.

The context for today's Gospel continues to be mounting tension between Jesus and the Jewish authorities. Mark reports some of Jesus' teaching in the Temple area in today's reading and in the preceding verses not included in our Lectionary sequence. In the first part of today's Gospel, we hear Jesus warn the crowds not to follow the example of the scribes in seeking honour and attention from others. It is important to recall that Mark indicates that Jesus taught these things while in the vicinity of the Temple in Jerusalem. Mark is setting the stage for Jesus' passion.

Jesus then observes how Jewish pilgrims are making their contributions to the temple treasury. The Temple in Jerusalem was the center of Jewish worship in the time of Jesus. It was expected that observant Jews would make pilgrimages to the Temple to offer prayer and sacrifices. Pilgrims were also expected to make a financial contribution to the temple treasury.

As we would expect to be the case, Jesus observes that those who were rich contributed large sums to the treasury. Those with less means made smaller contributions. A similar situation exists in most of our parishes as well. Jesus calls attention, however, to a poor widow who makes the smallest of contributions – two coins of little value. Jesus upholds the poor widow's offering for His disciples' consideration, commending her because her small offering was an act of profound generosity, giving from her livelihood rather than her surplus.

To give from our livelihood is not only an act of generosity, but also an act of trust in God. We can only give from our need if we trust that God will provide for us. Jesus Himself demonstrates the ultimate act of generosity and trust in God as He gives His life for us on the cross.

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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

Mass at 9:00 a.m., light breakfast at 9:30 a.m. followed by talks at 10:00 a.m. in the Church Hall.

- **Talk 1: Christ The King – He will come again in Glory to Judge the Living and the dead.**
- **Talk 2: Advent – Coming of The Newborn King.**

Reflection Director: Fr. Elvise Lukong (Associate Pastor of Epiphany of Our Lord Parish). Sponsored by the Men's Group. A free will offering will be taken to cover the cost.

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