

# St. Thomas the Apostle Church

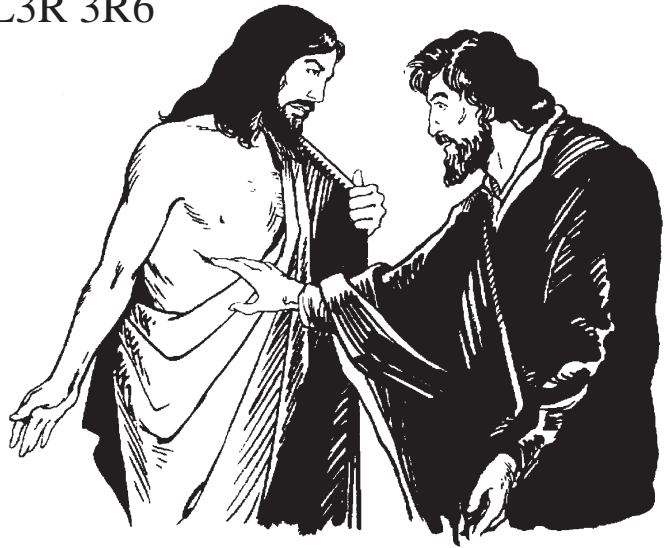
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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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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
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### PARISH MUSICIANS

#### Organists

Christopher Ku/Kevin Ku

416-298-2541

### DAY CARE

St. Mary of Leuca

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St. Mary of Leuca CONVENT

905-475-2350

## Mass for the Intentions Week

**Monday June 2** 12:10 p.m.  
Living and deceased members of the  
Pucyk Family

**Monday June 2** 7:00 p.m.  
+Manuel De Oliveira Leal Henriques  
(Family)

**Tuesday June 3** 12:10 p.m.  
Intentions of Andrew Young

**Tuesday June 3** 7:00 p.m.  
Souls in Purgatory

**Wednesday June 4** 12:10 p.m.  
+Terry Lahey  
(Family)

**Wednesday June 4** 7:00 p.m.  
+Glenda Lobo and Vivian Lobo and  
living members of the Lobo Family

**Thursday June 5** 12:10 p.m.  
+Mary Kamala Nicholas and Family  
+Rosaline Thirchelvam and Family  
(Family)

**Thursday June 5** 7:00 p.m.  
+Manuel De Oliveira Leal Henriques  
(Family)

**Friday June 6** 12:10 p.m.  
Souls in Purgatory  
(Maria Lim)

**Friday June 6** 7:00 p.m.  
Vocations to the Priesthood

**Saturday June 7** 9:00 a.m.  
Living and deceased members of the  
Daughters of St. Mary of Leuca and their  
living and deceased families  
(Jackie Mackenzie)

**Saturday June 7** 5:00 p.m.  
In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of  
Eddie and Lea Claveria

**Sunday June 8** 8:00 a.m.  
For the People of the Parish

**Sunday June 8** 10:00 a.m.  
+Francis Tavares  
(Family)

**Sunday June 8** 12:00 p.m.  
+Joyce and Leslie D'Souza  
(Family)

## THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

**SUNDAY JUNE 1, 2025**

**PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Kelvin Ramoutar, Nicholas Marshall, Kevin Caleb, Agnes Yuen, Jessica Kong, Dorine Couture, Wai Wong, Maria Francisco, Ronald Persaud, Ronald Chung, Lynn Demers, Grace Li, William Lee Ah-Chong, Rowena Poon, Jim Coutts, Fanny Chow, Alison Wong, Chris Yeung, William Yung, Jonrick Carlos Bautista, Anna Azimi, Colin Pereira, Deacon Everis Munroe, Linda Sanguinetti, and Andy Pucyk.

**PRAY FOR THE DEAD:** Estrela Whiting, and for those who have no one to pray for them.



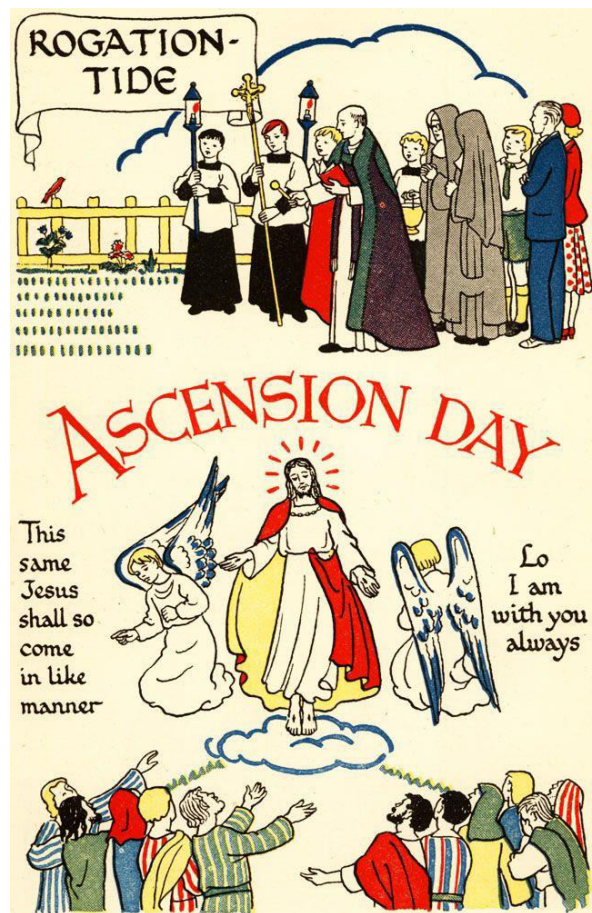
**THIS WEEK (JUNE 6)**

**IS THE FIRST FRIDAY OF JUNE**

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



**JUNE 2025 HIGHLIGHTS**



### **ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

The Lord said," ...you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Pray for an increase of vocations to the ordained and consecrated life. **If God is calling you contact 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)



### **ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

### **WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY**

**You're creating an accessible future for all**

Through your support of [ShareLife](#), [Silent Voice](#) breaks barriers for families in a welcoming American Sign Language (ASL) environment. Despite the stigma that people with disabilities face, Silent Voice offers a haven of acceptance for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing community and their families. Here, their dignity and worth are affirmed, providing them with the confidence to thrive. And it's all possible because of understanding supporters like you. We have collected **\$38,509.95. Our goal is \$114,500.00.**





## **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.



### **PARISH OFFERTORY**

**Weekly goal \$7,500.00 (to meet our expenses).  
We received \$6,740.94 - Includes PAG and Donate Now.**



## **THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

**SUNDAY JUNE 1, 2025**

**Gospel Reading – Luke 24:45-53**

***Jesus is taken to heaven, and the disciples remain in Jerusalem awaiting His sending of the Spirit.***

Today is our Liturgical Celebration of the Ascension of the Lord, when Jesus was taken to Heaven on the 40th day after Easter. In Cycle C, our Gospel is taken from the conclusion of the Gospel of Luke.

There are similarities in the reports of Jesus' Ascension found in the Synoptic Gospels – Mark, Matthew, and Luke. In each account, Jesus assigns His disciples the task of proclaiming the Gospel to the entire world. There are also notable distinctions. In the Gospels of Mark and Matthew, the disciples are sent by Jesus to baptize as well as to preach. In Luke's Gospel, however, this commission to baptize is absent. Instead, Jesus directs the disciples to return to Jerusalem to await the fulfillment of His promise to send the Holy Spirit. Curiously, only Mark and Luke actually report Jesus' Ascension into Heaven. Matthew's Gospel concludes with Jesus' promise to remain with His disciples forever. Only the Gospel of Mark notes that Jesus ascended to sit at the right hand of God. In noting this, Mark teaches that Jesus' Ascension affirms the glory Jesus received from God after His death and Resurrection.

Those who believe in Jesus will be empowered to do what Jesus Himself has done. Already in Mark's Gospel, during His ministry, Jesus sent His disciples out to preach, to heal and to drive out unclean spirits. Now, they are sent again to do these things and more. From His place with God in Heaven, Jesus helped His disciples, and He continues to help us as we try to live as His followers.

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**WE INVITE ALL PARISHONERS & FAMILY TO**

# **FR. ALLYN ROSE'S FAREWELL PARTY**



**DATE: SATURDAY JUNE 7TH**

**MASS: 5:00PM-6:00PM**

**RECEPTION/ POT LUCK DINNER: 6:00PM-10:00PM**

**LOCATION: ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE - PARISH HALL**

**For the next 3 weekends we will have sign up sheets for attendance & food contributions. There will be a gift box for personal cards, donations, etc. Please feel free to bring your soft or hard drinks of choice to toast Fr Allyn.**

**FR. ALLYN HAS DEDICATED ALMOST 9 YEARS SERVING OUR PARISH FAMILY.  
PLEASE COME OUT TO HONOUR THE SHEPPARD OF THIS COMMUNITY**

**SPONSORED BY ALL PARISH MINISTRIES**

**THIS SATURDAY JUNE 7TH - PARISH FAMILY EVENT  
TO HONOUR FATHER ALLYN ROSE**

# Senior Safety Session for *Your Community*



## Why should I go?

York Regional Police is partnering with the community to provide an educational session to seniors in York Region.

## Topics to be discussed

- [ ] Frauds and Scams
- [ ] Crime Prevention
- [ ] Elder Abuse
- [ ] Personal Safety

## What will I learn about?

Educate yourself on important information and meet other seniors that live in your community. Meet a senior safety officer and learn more about York Regional Police. Share what you have learned with others in the community.

**Date:**

**Tuesday, June 17, 2025**

**Location:**

**St. Thomas the Apostle - 14 Highgate, Markham**

**Time:**

**12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

**How to sign up:**

**Email Francis - [Oasis.st@outlook.com](mailto:Oasis.st@outlook.com)**

**Contact for session:**

**Call/text Les - 905-479-6023, Russell - 647-898-6480**

## **OASIS LUNCH AND WORKSHOPS**

**Next workshop Tuesday June 17, 2025. Time: 12:30 to 3:00 p.m.** - York Regional Police is partnering with the community to provide an educational session to seniors in York Region. Topics to be discussed: Frauds and Scams, Crime prevention, Elder Abuse, Personal Safety. Educate yourself on important information and meet other seniors that live in your community. Meet a senior safety officer and learn more about York Regional Police. Share what you have learned with others in the community. More details on bulletin board. Reservation is a must for organizing lunch. **Please contact: Francis [Oasis.st@outlook.com](mailto:Oasis.st@outlook.com), call or text Les 905-479-6023 or Russell 647-898-6480.**





**PILGRIM OF THE VIRGIN STATUE/RELICS VISIT TO OUR CHURCH  
- SATURDAY, MAY 24, 2025 - PHOTOS/VIDEO LINKS**

On Saturday, May 24, 2025, the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Fatima and accompanying relics came to our church in time for the 8:00 am Mass. The statue stayed in our church throughout the afternoon and evening until just after 6:00 pm.

[Link to Google Photos May 24 2025 - St Thomas Procession • Relics](#)

[Link to May 24 2025 - St Thomas the Apostle Parish • Relics of St Francisco and St Jacinta YouTube video](#)

[Link to post on our parish website](#)

[Link to Facebook album](#)

[Link to original post of Statue schedule on our parish website](#)

**Video and photo credits: Michael Reyes [michaelreyes.com](http://michaelreyes.com)**

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