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PARISH MUSICIANS

Organists

Christopher Ku/Kevin Ku	416-298-2541
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Pastor: Fr. Joseph Chandrakanthan
Retired priest in residence: Fr. Patrick Gnanapragasam

Parish part time staff: Maureen Daunt
Jackie Mackenzie
Geraldine Rocha

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 Noon

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Friday: 12:10 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.
Saturday 9:00 a.m.

ADORATION OF THE EUCHARIST

Fridays after the 12:10 Mass to 7:00 Evening Mass.

CONFESSIONS

Before all Masses on weekdays and Saturdays.

DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesdays before & after evening Mass.

BAPTISMS

An information package should be picked up at the Parish Office before meeting with the priest.

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.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – OCTOBER 12, 2025

Let us pray for our sisters and brothers who are ailing: Kelvin Ramoutar, Nicholas Marshall, Lynn Demers, Grace Li, William Lee Ah-Chong, Deacon Everis Munroe, Linda Sanguinetti, Cecile Isaacs-Garel, Andy Pucyk, Mary Josephine Albert, Dennis Remedios, Eva Lemanac, Conrad Poon, Rosita D’Costa and Mary Mangaleswaran.

In Memoriam - Our Departed Sisters & Brothers: For all our departed family members, friends and relatives. We shall also remember to pray for those who have no one to pray for them.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	October 13	9:00 am	In Thanksgiving offered by the Mendinueto Martine Family
		7:00 pm	NO EVENING MASS
Tuesday	October 14	12:10 pm	Intentions of Patricia and Paul Chong-Ah-Yan and Family (JP and Virginie Chan)
		7:00 pm	+Tony Pinto (Family)
Wednesday	October 15	12:10 pm	+Terry Lahey (Family)
		7:00 pm	+John Chiu (Jefferson Tse)
Thursday	October 16	12:10 pm	+Adele Rolluqui (Allan Dinglasan)
		7:00 pm	+Nicholapillai and Antoniapillai (Family)
Friday	October 17	12:10 pm	+Theresa Yu (Family)
		7:00 pm	+John Chiu (Jefferson Tse)
Saturday	October 18	9:00 am	+Humphrey Ho-Koon (Family)
		5:00 pm	+Ranjitham Gnanapragasam (Family)
Sunday	October 19	8:00 am	In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of Nina Zdybal (Patricia Chong)
		10:00 am	+Maria Agustine (Family)
		12:00 pm	For the People of the Parish

THANK YOU FOR HELPING YOUR PARISH

We thank you for your continued generosity in supporting your parish.
With PAG and Donate Now, the Total for last week is \$7,214.15.



COME AND SEE Discernment Weekend Retreat – Augustine’s Seminary

Weekend retreats for young men who may be discerning a Call to the priesthood. These weekends are a prayerful and supportive environment for young men ages 18+ to reflect, hear vocation stores from our seminaries and engage in meaningful conversation with seminarians and priests as well as partaking in social gatherings. The dates are [October 31 – November 2, 2025](#), and February 27 to March 1, 2026.



OCTOBER 13

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

“And with **gratitude** in your hearts,
sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God.
And whatever you do, in word or deed,
do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus,
giving thanks to God the Father through him.”

COLOSSIANS 3:16-17



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Monday October 13th is Thanksgiving Day

Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 AM ONLY - No Mass in the evening.
May the Blessings of the Lord be with you and all members of your family
at this Thanksgiving long weekend.



A Personal Call to Serve God and His People

“Increase our faith.” Listen for the voice of God. Are you being called to be a priest, deacon or religious brother or sister? **If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.**

Email: vocations@archtoronto.org

Website: www.vocationstoronto.ca



TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – SUNDAY OCTOBER 12, 2025

Gospel Reading: Luke 17:11-19

Jesus heals Ten Persons with Leprosy but the One who Returns to Thank is a Samaritan.

Today we hear about how Jesus, continuing on His journey to Jerusalem, heals Ten Persons with Leprosy. This story is a lesson about faith and reminds us that faith is sometimes found in unlikely places. Ten people afflicted with leprosy cry out to Jesus. Struck with pity, Jesus heals all ten. However, only one is described as glorifying God and returning to thank Jesus. The one who returns is a Samaritan, a foreigner. In the Jewish circles in which Jesus lived, Samaritans were looked down upon because of the differences between the two communities in their observance of Judaism. It is significant, therefore, that that Jesus commends the Samaritan for his faith, which has been his salvation. Throughout Luke’s Gospel, faith is found in surprising places.

Another lesson for us in this Gospel has to do with salvation. All 10 of the lepers were given the gift of healing, but in his gratitude to God for this gift, the Samaritan found salvation. Our salvation is found in recognizing the gifts we have been given and knowing to whom we must offer our thanks.

(Courtesy: [Loyola Press](#))

OASIS
Older Adults Sharing in Service

Lunch and Learn

The Catholic Church Today

Addressing challenges such as persecution, wars, environmental issues, human rights abuses, declining numbers, vocations, secularization, contemporary social issues.

Presented by:

Fr. Joseph Chandrakanthan
PhD (Ottawa) ThD St. Paul

Tuesday October 14th, 2025

12:30-3:00 p.m. (following the 12:10 pm mass)
Light Lunch Provided. Donations Appreciated.

St. Thomas the Apostle Church
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REGISTRATION REQUIRED

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Lunch and Learn Session organized by Older Adults Sharing in Service (OASIS) will be held in the Church Hall on **Tuesday, October 14th** after the 12:10 p.m. Mass. TOPIC: **Challenges Faced by the Catholic Church Today: Persecution of Christians, wars, environmental issues, human rights abuses, declining numbers, vocations, secularization, contemporary social issues.** Presented by our Pastor, Father Dr. Joseph Chandrakanthan *PhD (Ottawa) ThD (St. Paul)*. Light Lunch his provided – Donations welcome Please email or call: oasis.st@outlook.com Francis: 416-648-4097, Les: 905-479-6023, and Russell: 647-898-6480.



OPENINGS FOR NEW TIMBERWOLVES INTO OUR FNE FAMILY

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.



MEMORIAL LAMPS

Beginning from the month of October, you may wish to have one or more of the **SIX RED MEMORIAL LAMPS** that are lit around the Tabernacle in REMEMBRANCE of your dear ones. Please contact the Parish Office with names and payment.



Most Reverend John Boissonneau - Senior Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto and the Bishop of the Northern Region of the Archdiocese of Toronto

will be the Principal Celebrant at the Eucharistic Celebration on Sunday, October 19th at 12:00 PM. The Installation Service of Father Joseph Chandrakanthan as Pastor of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish will take place during the Holy Mass. A reception in the Church Hall will follow after Mass.

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