

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH

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"My Lord and My God"

PARISH MINISTRIES & TEAM LEADS

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| Altar Servers | Inuka Mamuhewa |
| Lectors | Anna Torres |
| Communion Ministers | Winnie Thien |
| Ushers | John Yu |
| Legion of Mary Sr. | Seth Bueler |
| Legion of Mary Jr. | Winnie Thien |
| Knights of Columbus | Philip Lee |
| Liturgical Music | Christopher/Kevin Ku |
| Cantor | Ryan Wong |
| St. Vincent de Paul | 905 474 1224 ext. 230 |

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| Pastor: | Fr. Joseph Chandrakanthan |
| Parish Manager: | Jackie Mackenzie |
| Parish Staff: | Maureen Daunt Geraldine Rocha |
| Retired Priest in Residence: | Fr. Patrick Gnanapragasam |

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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| Monday - Wednesday | : | 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. |
| Thursday & Friday: | | 10:00 am. – 7:00 p.m. |
| Saturday & Sunday: | | 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. |

WEEKEND MASSES

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

WEEKDAY MASSES

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| 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.

DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Wednesdays with evening Mass.

BAPTISMS

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

CONFESSIONS

20 Minutes before all Masses on weekdays and Saturdays.

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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| St. Benedict | 905-475-9646 |
| St. Francis Xavier | 905-470-2225 |
| | www.ycdsb.ca |

DAY CARE

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| St. Mary of Leuca | 905-475-2536 |
| St. Mary of Leuca CONVENT | 905-475-2350 |

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday January 19 12:10 p.m.
+Liao Chu Kao
(Sunu)

Monday January 19 7:00 p.m.
For the People of the Parish

Tuesday January 20 12:10 p.m.
+Sabatino Le Donne
+Jessica Sajeba
(Family)

Tuesday January 20 7:00 p.m.
+Pat Devlin

Wednesday January 21 12:10 p.m.
+Darren Ch-Yu Ho
(Chung Family)

Wednesday January 21 7:00 p.m.
Intentions of Esperanza Warren

Thursday January 22 12:10 p.m.
+Francis Tan
(Cheng Family)

Thursday January 22 7:00 p.m.
Maronite Mass

Friday January 23 12:10 p.m.
+Father John Corkey
(Suna)

Friday January 23 7:00 p.m.
+Bernadette Calingo
(Family)

Saturday January 24 9:00 a.m.
+Timoteo Bernal and Leona Cruz
(Family)

Saturday January 24 5:00 p.m.
+Walter Moo Choy
(Family)

Sunday January 25 8:00 a.m.
For the People of the Parish

Sunday January 25 10:00 a.m.
+Claude and Gwen Valladares
(Coutinho Family)

Sunday January 25 12:00 p.m.
+Luciano Garcia
(Garcia Family)

"Behold the Lamb of God"



John saw Jesus coming toward him and said,

"Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.

He is the one of whom I said, 'A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.'

I did not know him,

but the reason why I came baptizing with water was that he might be made known to Israel."

John testified further, saying,

"I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from heaven and remain upon him.

I did not know him,

but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'On whomever you see the Spirit come down and remain,

he is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.'

Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God."

— *John 1:29–34*



Memorial Lamp Intentions for this Week

Jan 9th – Jan 15th

**For Repose of the souls of,
Stanislaus Ignatius Gomes, Mary Hermelinda Gonsalves
Gomes, Jozef & Regina Miszuk, Chester & Henrietta
miszuk.**

**For the Special intentions of,
Andy Pucyk**

**Requested by
Pucyk Family**

In Memoriam:

Let us pray for our departed loved ones, Especially Helen Toushek and for those who have no one to pray for them.

Let us pray for the ailing and those in care homes or hospitals.

Nicholas Marshall, Lynn Demers, William Lee Ah-Chong, Cecile Isaacs-Garel, Andy Pucyk, Mary Josephine Albert, Dennis Remedios, Eva Lemanac, Conrad Poon, Yvonne Lamanna & Joe Agosta.

"Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world."
- *John 1:29*

January 18, 2026

AT OUR PARISH

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION & REGISTRATION



The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in Spring 2026 at St. Thomas the Apostle Church. Families are asked to register by scanning the QR code provided. **A mandatory parent information meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 21, 2026, following the 7:00pm Mass.**

MARRIAGE SUNDAY



Marriage Sunday celebrates the Sacrament of Marriage and honors couples whose faithful witness strengthens our Church community. A special Mass will be celebrated **Sunday, February 8 at 2:30 p.m.** at **St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica**, presided over by **Bishop John Boissonneau**. Couples celebrating **25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, and 60+ anniversaries** will be recognized. All are welcome to attend or participate via livestream.

2026 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



You are welcome to pick up your **2026 offertory envelopes** at the side table near the entrance of the church. Please discard any unused **2025 envelopes**. If you receive an **unlabeled envelope** from the Parish Office, kindly print your **full name, address, and phone number** on the envelope during your first few donations. Parishioners wishing to begin using the envelope system may obtain new boxes from the **Parish Office**. Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

ROSARY APOSTOLATE



Rosary Apostolate is seeking volunteers to send the message of the Rosary to children in the schools under our parish.

For more details contact:
Catalina Nicolas at 416 6488905
Rosalia Di Blasi at 416 414 1324

THANK YOU FOR HELPING YOUR PARISH

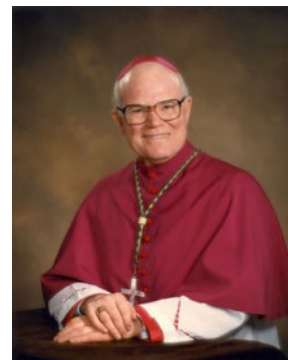
We thank you for your continued generosity in supporting your parish

PASTOR'S NOTES ON OUR CHURCH'S HISTORY

THE FIRST MEMORABLE YEAR - 1982-1983

Many memorable events have been recorded in the brief history of the foundational first year of the Church. At the Solemn celebration of Easter, several Ushers, Lectors, and Musicians shared in the Liturgical Celebration. In the same year forty-seven students received the Sacrament of Confirmation. A record number of one hundred children received their First Holy Communion. A Bible Study Group for Italian parishioners was organized by Fr. Siro and for the English-speaking community the "Word of Life" program was inaugurated at the parish. Sr. Addolorata of the Daughters of St. Leuca began Saturday Catechism classes in October. More than thirty families came for these classes taught by Mrs. Teresa Kong for the Chinese-speaking families. The first Anniversary of the founding of the Parish was graced by Most Rev. Robert Clune, Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto and Bishop in charge of the Eastern Region of the Archdiocese. Today Bishop Clune is remembered by some Senior members of our Congregation for the wonderful conversations they had with him about his Episcopal ministry in the Eastern Region. The Sacrament of baptism was administered to a good number of children in 1982-83. These children are now energetic young women and men in their early forties! Today some of them shoulder many responsibilities at our Church as exemplary leaders.

Fr. Joseph Chandrakanthan
Pastor



Pic #1: Most Rev.
Robert Clune



THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The KOC is continuing to fundraise by collecting EMPTIES, such as: Beer cans wine bottles, spirits (Vodka, rum or Whiskey & etc.) **Drop off location for empties downstairs by the kitchen.** All proceeds will go to St. Thomas the Apostle & the Charities of KOC.