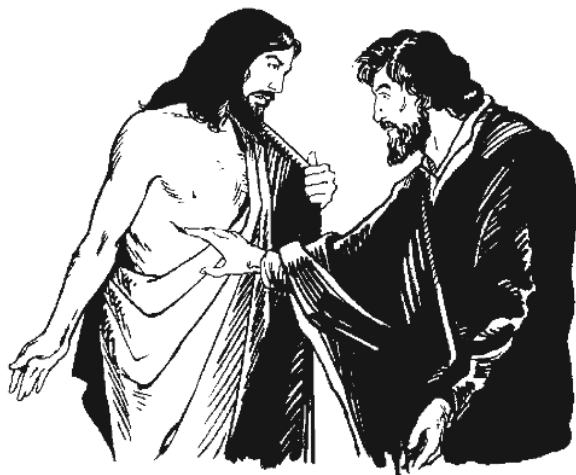


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My Lord and My God

PARISH MINISTRIES

Altar Servers	Father Joseph
Lectors Anna Torres	Ushers John Yu
Screening Coordinator	Liz Pinto
R.C.I.A.	Juliette Huang
Legion of Mary	Winnie Thien
Legion of MarySr:	Seth Bueler
Men's Group	Lloyd Mascarenhas
Seniors	Les Rodrigues
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Knights of Columbus	Phillip Lee
FNE Explorers	Maurice Chang
Musician/Organist	Christopher Ku/Kevin Ku

Pastor: Fr. Joseph Chandrakanthan
Retired priest in residence: Fr. Patrick Gnanapragasam

Parish Manager: Jackie Mackenzie
Parish part time staff: Maureen Daunt
Geraldine Rocha

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Thursday: 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - 2 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

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

DAY CARE

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

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday December 8 **12:10 p.m.**

+Glenda and Vivian Lobo and Living Members of the Lobo Family

Monday December 8 **7:00 p.m.**

+Doreen Thambirajah
(Family)

Tuesday December 9 **12:00 p.m.**

For the Living and deceased Members of the Mak and Chong Ah Yan Families

Tuesday December 9 **7:00 p.m.**

+Everest D'Souza
(Family)

Wednesday December 10 **12:10 p.m.**

In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of JP and Virginie Chan

Wednesday December 10 **7:00 p.m.**

Deceased Members – Friends of the Suffering Souls
(Rosa Lim)

Thursday December 11 **12:10 p.m.**

In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of Keith and Maureen Daunt

Thursday December 11 **7:00 p.m.**

Intentions of Virginia and JP Chan
(Josephine Szeto)

Friday December 12 **12:10 p.m.**

Souls in Purgatory (Maria Lim)

Friday December 12 **7:00 p.m.**

+Cynthia Acayan (Family)

Saturday December 13 **9:00 a.m.**

In Thanksgiving and for the intentions of Ray and Haydee Batac on their 50th Wedding Anniversary

Saturday December 13 **5:00 p.m.**

+Olga D'Rosario (Atkins Family)

Sunday December 14 **8:00 a.m.**

For the Living and deceased Members of the Ng and Chan Yan Fong Families
(Patricia Chong)

Sunday December 14 **10:00 a.m.**

+Elsie Lin Ching Lan and Lin Chun Tun
(Lin Family)

Sunday December 14 **12:00 p.m.**

For the People of the Parish



THE LIGHT OF PEACE

“O Lord, as we light the second candle of Advent, we pray for Your peace in our world. May this light remind us to calm our hearts and welcome Christ our Prince.”



Pray with the Saints

Friday, December 8th – Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday, December 12th – Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Saturday, December 13th - Memorial of St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

Join us in prayer with these great saints at 12:10 pm and 7:00 pm Masses on weekdays and 9:00 am Saturday.



MEMORIAL LAMP & SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Red Lamps beside the Tabernacle in the Sanctuary are lit for a week in memory of a loved one or for a special intention. Please contact the **Parish Office** for more details.



Memorial Lamp Intentions for this Week

Dec 5th – Dec 11th

For the Repose of the Souls of,
Kazimierz Pucyk,
Mary Aldora Pucky,
Kazimierz Starkiewicz,
Anna Starkiewicz,
Jozef Starkiewicz

& Intentions of Maria Starkiewicz Stecyszyn

Requested By,
Pucyk Family

In Memoriam:

Let us pray for our departed loved ones and for those who have no one to pray for them & especially for Gaetano Giovenco, Natalia Giovenco & Kelvin Ramoutar.

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

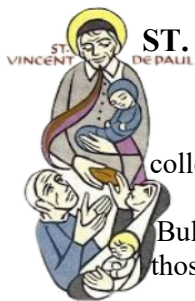
Nicholas Marshall, Lynn Demers, Grace Li, William Lee Ah-Chong, Deacon Everis Munroe, Linda Sanguinetti, Cecile Isaacs-Garel, Andy Pucyk, Mary Josephine Albert, Dennis Remedios, Eva Lemanac, Conrad Poon, Mary Mangaleswaran, Yvonne Lamanna.

“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

- Matthew 3:2

December 7, 2025

AT OUR PARISH



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL COLLECTION

The Annual St. Vincent De Paul collection is on December 14th. The envelopes will be found on the Bulletin. Envelopes will be given out to those who do not take a bulletin.

FIVE MORE EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION



At the Mass of the Solemn Inauguration of the 40th Year of the Dedication of our Church, our Pastor held the Installation ceremony for Carlos Alayo, Rosalie Di Blasi, Rajdai Jaikaran, Rowel Livara, Lorena Livara. Our Parish community congratulates them and thank them for their availability to serve the Lord and His people.



CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Join us on Thursday, December 16th, 2025. From 12:30 pm – 3:00 pm at our Parish Hall. Tickets are \$20 (\$15 Early Bird before Nov. 30) Enjoy a festive lunch, karaoke, carol singing and fun games.

For ticket information, please contact,
Oasis.st@outlook.com

2025 NEW YEAR EVE'S CELEBRATION



Join us on Wednesday, December 31st, 2025 from 7:00 pm – 1:00 am at our Parish Hall.

Tickets will be sold after all weekend Masses. Festivities include dinner, music, games and prizes.

All proceeds go to support St. Thomas the Apostle Parish

For ticket information, please contact,
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THANK YOU FOR HELPING YOUR PARISH

We thank you for your continued generosity in supporting your parish. With PAG and Donate Now, Total for last week is \$ 6,427.00

A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR



Baptizer's Voice in the Heart of the Desert

Metanoia, turn toward the Lord, and recognize the unfolding of God's rule in our midst. This is the call of John the Baptist from

the heart of the desert near Jerusalem. He affirmed that he is not the Light, but a witness to the light. Light requires no witness. But John knows that despite the presence of Light, people can choose to walk in darkness. John introduced the Messiah as the true Light and promised to them: "I baptize you with water for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is more powerful than I, and I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." May that fire purify us all as we prepare to welcome the Messiah in our hearts and homes. Amen!

Fr. A. Joseph Chandrakanthan
Pastor



MISA DE GALLO NOVENA HOLY MASS AT OUR PARISH

Will be held for 9 days from December 16th to 24th at 5:30 am.

A personalized Simbang Gabi book now available to order! For more information, please see the flyers available in the foyer after every Mass

CHRISTMAS CARDS & CAKES FOR SALE



The Knights of Columbus will have Christmas. Cards and Cakes for sale at the Church foyer after All Masses on Weekends.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



The Legion of Mary will host a Living Rosary on Monday, December 8th at 6:15 pm before the 7.00pm Mass. Everyone is invited to join in praying the Rosary. You may recite the prayer in your own language.