

ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE PARISH

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“my Lord and my God” Jn. 20:28

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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.

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

In the case of serious illness, families are requested to notify the Parish Office to arrange the Anointing of the Sick.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St. Benedict 905-475-9646
St. Francis Xavier 905-470-2225

DAY CARE

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

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday May 11	12:10 p.m.
+Cornelia De Las Alas (Family)	
Monday May 11	7:00 p.m.
+Theresa Baena (Ninotchka D'Souza)	
Tuesday May 12	12:10 p.m.
+Chik-Hing Anthony Yu (Family)	
Tuesday May 12	7:00 p.m.
For the People of the Parish	
Wednesday May 13	12:10 p.m.
Intentions of Melania Szeto	
Wednesday May 13	7:00 p.m.
+Shui-Kai Poon (Jefferson Tse)	
Thursday May 14	12:10 p.m.
+Ida Luke (Stella Luke)	
Thursday May 14	7:00 p.m.
+Anthony and Adelaide Baena (Ninotchka D'Souza)	
Friday May 15	12:00 p.m.
+Norma Gelua (Family)	
Friday May 15	7:00 p.m.
+Tony Pinto (Family)	
Saturday May 16	9:00 a.m.
+ Pete Fernandes (Jackie Mackenize)	
Saturday May 16	5:00 a.m.
+Reverend J. Basil Breen (Jefferson Tse)	
Sunday May 17	8:00 a.m.
+Kazimierz Starkiewicz (Family)	
Sunday May 17	10:00 a.m.
In Thanksgiving and for the intentions for Giovanna Tse (Family)	
Sunday May 17	12:00 p.m.
For the People of the Parish	



"Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love them.

We will come to them and make our dwelling with them.

Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. The word you hear is not mine but that of the Father who sent me.

The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything.

He will remind you of all that I told you.

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you."

- (John 14:1-3)



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CONFIRMANDI

We would like to congratulate all our Confirmation candidates who have received the Sacrament of Confirmation on May 6th:

Adrian, Alexander, Angelika, Annalia, Anthonia, Thirsha, Athena, Bethany, Blake, David, Dina, Eleanor, Elizabeth, Evangeline, Fanian, Greyson, Jolin, Kaden, Joyce, Josiah, Josephine, Mia, Marcus Jarvis, Marcus Jenathas, Kaitlyn, Pak Yin (Jacob), Ocean, Nivisha, Michael Jr., Skylar, Serjaylen, Raven, Rachel, Vincent, Sabina.

May the Holy Spirit guide and strengthen them always.



MEMORIAL LAMPS & INTENTIONS

May 8th – May 14th

**For the Intentions of,
Oswaldo Castaneda,
Emilio Castaneda-Lopez,
Renato Castaneda-Lopez,
Victor Lopez,
Concepcion Araiza,
Maria Lopez-Araiza
Requested by Maria**

Let us Remember

Remember to pray for the repose of the soul of **Pete Fernandes, former Custodian of our Parish Church**. Also we Pray for Rev. J. Kuriedath & Maria Nayagam Nallaia. RIP

Let us pray for the sick & those in care homes or hospitals.

Nicholas Marshall, Lynn Demers, William Lee Ah-Chong, Cecile Isaacs-Garel, Andy Pucyk, Dennis Remedios, Eva Lemanac, Conrad Poon, Yvonne Lamanna, Joe Agosta, Audrey Carb, Giuseppe Greco, Joe Cherian & Jackie

May 10, 2026

OUR PARISH MATTERS.....



OUR LADY OF FATIMA FEAST

A Solemn Mass will be held on
May 13th at 7:00 p.m.

On this special Feast of Our Lady of Fatima, the celebration will include the crowning of Our Lady in honor of her apparition and her care for the Church.

“My Immaculate Heart will be your refuge and the way that will lead you to God.”

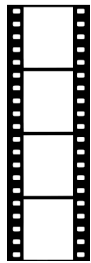
All are warmly invited to join us in prayer.



2000 HAIL MARY DEVOTION - THE LEGION OF MARY

Saturday, May 16, 2026, beginning at 6:00 a.m. and continuing throughout the day.
All are welcome to come and pray at any time.
Please see the bulletin board for more details.

DINNER & MOVIE NIGHT WITH SAINTS



Join us at our Parish Hall for a special “Dinner & A Movie with the Saints,” featuring the inspiring film *Mary of Nazareth*, on Saturday, May 16, 2026, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Enjoy a nice dinner at 6:00 p.m. and the movie will be screened after dinner. The event is organized by the Men’s Group of our Parish.

THE DAUGHTERS OF ST. PAUL WILL BE VISITING OUR PARISH ON THE WEEKEND OF MAY 30 & 31.



Meet the sisters before and after all Masses as they share their mission and offer a selection of Catholic books and faith resources.

THE BEATIFICATION OF FRIAR PEDRO DE CORPA & HIS COMPANIONS

Cardinal Frank Leo, Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto, will represent the Holy Father as the Papal Legate (official representative of Pope Leo XIV) at the upcoming beatification that will take place on October 31, 2026 in Savannah, Georgia in the USA.

EVERY SUNDAY AFTER MASS JOIN US FOR COFFEE & COOKIES



We warmly invite all parishioners & visitors to join us for our *Parish Koinonia* every Sunday after 10:00 am & 12:00 noon Mass in the Main Hall.
All are welcome!

THANK YOU FOR HELPING YOUR PARISH

We thank you for your continued generosity in supporting the needs of your parish.

From Our Pastor ...

Teaching is a Sacramental Ministry

Catholic Education Week from May 3-8, 2026 presents us with an opportunity to remember and to pray for all those involved in the sacred ministry of imparting knowledge and sustaining the spiritual growth of children. Last Monday I had the opportunity to celebrate the Mass for the staff and students at the two Catholic Elementary Schools in our Parish, viz., St. Francis Xavier’s and St. Benedict’s. We continue to pray and thank the Lord for the parents of these students who make so many sacrifices to give the best to their children, all teachers and other support staff in the sacred ministry of teaching. In his message to the Archdiocese on this occasion our Archbishop Francis Cardinal Leo reflected on theme of this year, namely, “Catholic Education: Pilgrims of Hope: On the Path to Holiness,”

His Eminence reminded us “that the work of Catholic education is not merely the transmission of knowledge, but a common journey of hope and sanctity that leads to our Heavenly Father (cf. Matt. 28:19–20). We often think of our schools solely in terms of places of learning for our children, but in reality, the call to holiness speaks to the vocation of teachers, parents, clergy and indeed everyone involved in the educational ministry (CCC 2013–2014). Consequently, we are invited to consider our schools as places of accompaniment where *everyone* walks together on a journey of faith, helping one another discover that every life is precious, has purpose, and is rooted in the love of Jesus Christ. The theological virtue of hope is especially important in our time because it allows us to see beyond this physical, material world to the eternal love of God who calls us to himself, to a real, life-altering, transformative relationship with him (Rom. 5:5).

Archbishop invites us to renew our commitment to the mission we share so that “our schools continue to be communities of faith, hope and love, seeking truth and forming hearts in virtue and holiness.”

We all participate in the prophetic and teaching ministry of Jesus and in that we endeavor to be a sacrament of the Divine Teacher.

Fr. Joseph Chandrakanthan

Pastor

In Memoriam Pete Fernades

On behalf of the parish community and staff, we wish to express our deepest sympathies and prayers to the family of Pedro (Pete) Fernandes, a dedicated former Parish Custodian, Usher and Senior Member of the Knights of Columbus who passed away on Monday April 27. The immediate family of Pete, his relatives, friends, and a large number of parishioners were present at the Funeral Mass concelebrated by Frs. Richard Andrew, Patrick and Rowan that was Presided by Fr. Joseph Chandrakanthan on Saturday May 2nd at our Church. May the Lord grant him Eternal Rest AMEN..