



# ST. THOMAS AQUINAS R.C. CHURCH

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## WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday-Tuesday-Thursday 9 am only

Wednesday & Friday 9 am & 7 pm

Saturday 9 am

## SUNDAY MASSES:

**SATURDAY** 5:00 pm English

**SUNDAY** 9:30 am English

11:00 am Italiano

12:30 pm English

2:00 pm Espanol

7:00 pm English

## CONFESSIONS / CONFESIONES

**Saturday** 4:00 pm or by appointment.

*Sábado a las 4pm u siempre para citas.*

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM - BAUTIZOS

Please contact the office as soon as possible or 3 months in advance.

*Llamar a la oficina por lo menos 3 meses antes de la fecha del Bautizo, para entrevistarse y reunirse con los padres y padrinos.*

## SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY - BODAS

Please contact the office one year in advance and prior to making all other arrangements.

*Llame a la oficina 1 año antes de la fecha estimada para la boda y antes de reservar el Salón.*

## ST THOMAS AQUINAS FOOD BANK

Please call the office and press ext 3

## SICK CALLS

Please notify the Parish Office for visits or Communion visitations to the sick.

## CATECHISM & RCIA

For the sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation) please contact the office & press ext 4.

## PARISH REGISTRATION

We welcome you to our Parish Community and invite you / your family to introduce yourself to the priests and REGISTER as soon as possible. Registration forms are available in the Parish Office.

## REGISTRACION PARROQUIAL

*Le damos la Bienvenida a nuestra comunidad parroquial y lo invitamos a ud y su familia a presentarse con los Sacerdotes y a que se registre lo mas pronto posible. Los formatos de registro estan disponibles en la oficina parroquial*

**PARISH REGISTRATION** (Print Clearly and Completely)

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**CORRECTIONS:** Please circle/fill out and (Place in collection basket or office)

NEW PARISHIONER

NEW ENVELOPES

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

MOVING OUT OF PARISH

Sun. March 29, 2020 (5th of Lent, Year A)

MASS: Schedule & Intentions	
<b>Saturday March 28:</b>	
5:00 pm	NO MASS
<b>Sunday March 29: 5th of Lent</b>	
9:30 am	NO MASS
11:00am	LIVESTREAM
12:30pm	LIVESTREAM
2:00 pm	LIVESTREAM
7:00 pm	NO MASS
<b>Monday March 30:</b>	
9:00 am	LIVESTREAM
<b>Tuesday March 31:</b>	
9:00 am	LIVESTREAM
<b>Wednesday April 1:</b>	
9:00 am	LIVESTREAM
7:00 pm	NO MASS
<b>Thursday April 2: St. Francis of Paola</b>	
9:00 am	LIVESTREAM
<b>Friday April 3:</b>	
9:00 am	LIVESTREAM
7:00 pm	NO MASS
7:30-8:15pm	STATIONS of THE CROSS LIVESTREAM
<b>Saturday April 4: St. Isidore</b>	
9:00 am	LIVESTREAM

**MESSAGE FROM POPE FRANCIS FOR LENT 2020**

***“We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God” (Cor 5:20)***

**A richness to be shared, not kept for oneself**

Putting the paschal mystery at the centre of our lives means feeling compassion towards the wounds of the crucified Christ present in the many innocent victims of wars, in attacks on life, from that of the unborn to that of the elderly, and various forms of violence. They are likewise present in environmental disasters, the unequal distribution of the earth’s goods, human trafficking in all its forms, and the unbridled thirst for profit, which is a form of idolatry. Today too, there is a need to appeal to men and women of good will to share, by almsgiving, their goods with those most in need, as a means of personally participating in the building of a better world. Charitable giving makes us more human, whereas hoarding risks making us less human, imprisoned by our own selfishness.  
(Lent-5)



**Pope Francis’s prayer to Mary during coronavirus pandemic**

O Mary,  
you always shine on our path  
as a sign of salvation and of hope.  
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,  
who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your  
faith firm. You, Salvation of the Roman People,  
know what we need, and we are sure you will provide  
so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy  
and to feasting after this time of trial.  
Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will  
of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus,  
who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried  
our sorrows to lead us, through the cross,  
to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

*Under your protection, we seek refuge,  
Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we  
who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger,  
O glorious and blessed Virgin.*

**Message for parishioners for support of parish offertories**

Dear parishioners,

I hope and pray that you are staying healthy – both physically and spiritually. Please let me know if the parish can help you during these difficult times.

No doubt you are aware that our parish relies on the support of our parishioners to operate – parish salaries, programs and ongoing operating costs (heating, water, electricity, etc.) – are funded through the generosity of our parish community. It will be a challenge for our parish to maintain operations without the weekly offertory collection.

In response to many requests that I have received from parishioners, here are the ways that you can continue to support our parish at this time:

- **Drop off or mail** your regular weekly offertory contribution to the parish office.
- Contribute to our parish offertory by **credit card**. Please visit <https://community.archtoronto.org/page.aspx?pid=413>. You will then be able to select our parish in the drop-down menu. You can make a one time or recurring contribution to our parish offertory or other special funds.
- Contribute through **pre-authorized giving**. <https://www.archtoronto.org/covid19/Documents/PAG%20Brochure-fillable.pdf> for more information on pre-authorized giving. You can obtain a form from the parish office or you can visit <https://www.archtoronto.org/covid19/Documents/PAG%20Authorization%20Form-fillable.pdf> which can be printed and completed. Return the completed form and a voided cheque to your parish office. Or e-mail the form and a scanned copy or photo of a voided cheque to [development@archtoronto.org](mailto:development@archtoronto.org) for processing. Contributions are withdrawn from your bank account on the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.
- You can contribute to the offertory via **online banking**. To do this, the archdiocese will need to send you a unique account number. Please send an e-mail to [campaign@archtoronto.org](mailto:campaign@archtoronto.org). In the body of the email provide:
  - Your name
  - Address
  - Parish name
  - Municipality

You will be emailed account information which you can use to set up the Archdiocese of Toronto as a payee in your on-line banking. Your gift will be forwarded to our parish. You can make a one time or recurring gift to our offertory.

If you have any questions please contact the Development Office at the Archdiocese of Toronto, 416-934-3400, ext. 540 or [development@archtoronto.org](mailto:development@archtoronto.org).

Thank you for your many contributions to our parish community. I miss seeing all of you at the Mass and I pray daily that we will be able to gather together again soon.

Yours in Christ,

**Rev. Ruggiero Dibenedetto, Pastor**

*I, Archbishop Cardinal Collins, establish that Catholic Parishes AS OF MARCH 24 and until further notice*

**CANCEL ALL PUBLIC MASS DURING THE WEEK & WEEKENDS AS WELL– CHURCH & OFFICE ALSO CLOSED**

**1) FOR MASS FROM ST THOMAS:** WATCH LIVESTREAM <https://st-thomas-aquinas.click2stream.com>

@ 9AM ON WEEKDAYS (Mon through Saturday)

& on SUNDAY @ 11 IN ITAL, 12:30PM ENG & 2:00PM ESPANOL

**2) Updates to follow via FACEBOOK PAGE of the Parish** <https://www.facebook.com/StThomasAquinasparishtoronto>

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*Thank you & Blessings. Fr Ruggiero*



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