St. Thomas Aquínas

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH



September 25th, 2022 I 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00pm English Sunday 9:00am English 10:30am Italiano 12:00pm English 2:00pm Español 6:00pm English

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Saturday 9:00am

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 4:00pm or by Appointment

BAPTISMS - BAUTIZOS

Three months in advance, please call the office. Llamar a la oficina con **tres meses** de anticipación.

WEDDINGS - BODAS

Please contact the office **one year** in advance. LLamar a la oficina con **un año** de anticipación.

CATECHISM & RCIA

For the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, First Communion & Confirmation), please contact the office and press **ext. 0**

SICK CALLS

Please call the office for visits or Communion visitations to the sick.

DEVOTIONS / DEVOCIONES

Holy Rosary: Wednesdays & Saturdays at 8:30am
Eucharistic Adoration: Fridays from 9:30 am to 11am. Lord, I offer to You my suffering and pain, my misery and hurt. Help me to always keep my eyes on You and to seek satisfaction only in the riches of Heaven. Fill my heart, especially, with love of You and charity for others so that I will be truly rich in what matters most. Jesus, I trust in You.

-My Catholic Life



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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CATHOLIC FUNERAL HOMES

Bernardo Funeral Home | 416-789-7661 Vescio Funeral Home | 416-656-3332

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THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The Gospel reading of this 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time reminds us of what the Catholic tradition calls the Last Things, namely death, judgment, heaven, and hell. With the parable of the rich man and Lazarus, Jesus wants us to pause every now and then and think about the eternal destination. Let me share the Church's teaching about "death" and "hell". "Death puts an end to human life as the time open to either accepting or rejecting the divine grace manifested in Christ" (CCC, no. 1021); "We cannot be united with God unless we freely choose to love Him. But we cannot love God if we sin gravely against Him, against our neighbor or against ourselves: "He who does not love remains in death. Anyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him." Our Lord warns us that we shall be separated from Him if we fail to meet the serious needs of the poor and the little ones who are His brethren. To die in mortal sin without repenting and accepting God's merciful love means remaining separated from Him forever by our own free choice. This state of definitive self-exclusion from communion with God and the blessed is called "hell" (CCC, no. 1033).

Congratulations to our new Pastor Rev. Fr. Patrick C Ezimora CCE.



We wish him, his pastoral team and our STA parish, God's choicest blessings in the years ahead.

Holy Mass, training, and refreshment for all our volunteers, experienced and new, will take place on Tuesday, September 27th at 7pm. This includes all those who render service in our parish: choir members, lectors, ushers, EMHC, altar servers' coordinators, sacristans, counters, etc.

We shall be welcoming new, vibrant, and faith-filled volunteers.

Are you new to our parish? You are welcome to join us every Sunday for Mass. If you wish to register, please call our parish office @ 416-782-8943 or write us an email at <u>office@stthomasaquinasparish.com</u>. If you are non-Catholic, and would like to become one, you may contact us as well. God bless you!

God bless you and enjoy the gift of a new week!



MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Sept 24th to Oct 1st 2022

SATURDAY, Sept 24th

5:00pm Birthday Blessings upon Rey Alforque

SUNDAY, Sept 25th

- 9:00am Thanksgiving to Heavenly Father for all Sacraments
- 10:30am Rocco Nicastro † Giovanni Lombardi † Filomena Carinci † Giuseppe Carinci †

For the healing of Rossana Crescenzi

- 12:00pm Anita +
- 2:00pm Por el Descanso del alma de Carlos Menjivar † Eliseo Murillo Ruiz † Any Orellana † Por las almas del purgatorio y los agonizantes Por la sanación de Milagro Solorzano, Yolanda Berrios, Baby Rosalyn
- 6:00pm Domingo Reyes † Violeta Reyes † Antonio Pimentel †

MONDAY, Sept 26th

9:00am Maria Magdalena Ngu † Giuse Doan † Cecilia Cha † Rev. Priest Pier Giorgio di Cicco † Antonella Fava † Manuela Coton de Ixcaragua † For all souls in purgatory For all migrants, refugees, dying, sick, lonely, poor, unemployed

TUESDAY, Sept 27th

9:00am Peter Andersen † Vincent Tuong † Victoria Calceta Bisenio † Alberto Rivero † Martha Lilian Sandoval † Marsha Liala Lowery † Birthday blessings upon Alicia Argudo and Nelly Yamileth Aguilar

For the unborn, orphan & unbaptized children

WEDNESDAY, Sept 28th

9:00am Vincent Van † Maria Lua † Rev. Priest Miro † Sarantos Katsoulis † Leonard Gregory † All Priests living and deceased, healing of Heide Park, Emma Sophia Greco Doaz Birthday blessings upon Jimmy Barros

THURSDAY, Sept 29th

9:00am Vincent Nguyen † Maria Dinh † Vincenzo Giralico † Marko Ivanovic † Marina Carlota Moz † For the Priests / Holy Cross of Marylake

FRIDAY, Sept 30th

9:00am Vincent Nguyen † Maria Dinh † Birthday blessings upon Andres Astudillo

SATURDAY, Oct 1st 9:00am Circle of Prayer

We are accepting Mass Intentions through the office during the week

AROUND THE COMMUNITY



Oct 01, 2022: Pilgrimage to National Shrine Basilica of Our Lady of Fatima.

Cost: \$70.00 per person

Oct 23, 2022: Labyrinth walk, Monastery of Mount Carmel, Niagara Falls.

Cost: \$60.00 per person

For more information, please contact Edith at 416-420-5185



ROSARY COAST TO COAST 2022 SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2022

4 p.m. Eastern Time/ 3 p.m. Central Time/ 2 p.m. Mountain Time/ 1 p.m. Pacific Time/ 5 p.m. Atlantic Time/ 5:30 p.m. Newfoundland Time

Looking for a way to celebrate Thanksgiving? This year, Rosary Coast to Coast will be held on Sunday, October 9. Pray the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy, the holy rosary and consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary! Gather the children of the world to pray together through the recitation of the rosary, ideally in the presence of our Eucharistic Jesus in our churches. If not possible, pray at home with your families and prayer groups!

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Blessed Sacrament's Candle and Flowers By the kind generosity of Marika Budu Thank you and God bless you. Grazie. Gracias. Salamat po. Asante.

Needs of the Church in Canada - Special Collection This Weekend, September 24/25

Thank you for your support of this important work.

Indigenous Healing and Reconciliation Special Collection - October 1/2

Following Pope Francis' "penitential pilgrimage" to Canada and the financial commitment of the Archdiocese of Toronto toward healing and reconciliation, **our first special collection for Indigenous Healing and Reconciliation will take place on the weekend of 1/2 October**. Kindly please pick up your own yellow envelope at the exits of our parish and make your generous contribution to this important archdiocesan project.

This is an opportunity to follow the invitation of the Holy Father made earlier this year for each one of us to become engaged in the healing and reconciliation journey. For more information or to donate online, visit: www.archtoronto.org/healingandreconciliation.

Thank you for your generosity.

21st Annual Friars' Student Writing Contest 2023 – October 4 to January 16, 2023 Theme: "Do good; seek justice" (Isaiah 1:17).



High School Students (ages 13-19 years) in the Catholic School Boards located in the Archdiocese of Toronto are invited to participate in this annual event that commemorates the global Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Write a five-hundred-word essay that explores the 2023 theme. Great prizes await the top three submissions. Students are encouraged to consult the resources at https://bit.ly/3AgBy5J to understand the meaning and purpose of the theme and address the focus question found on the poster at https://bit.ly/3KXgu8m.

For more information: <u>ecumenism@archtoronto.org</u> or call **416-934-3400 (Ext. 527)**



International Language Instructors Needed

The Toronto Catholic District School Board is looking for International Languages

Instructors for their elementary school International Languages Instructors for their elementary school International Languages Program. No teaching certificate is required. If you would like to join a team of professionals, who work to positively impact student achievement through the teaching of another language, please go to our website <u>https://www.tcdsb.org/page/careers</u> and look under the tab on the left (Careers ==== then click on Current Job Opportunities ==== International Language Instructor – Supply Roster).

ALL ABOUT FAITH

St. Thérèse of Lisieux 1873-1897



Thérèse grew up in Normandy, a region of Northern France. She left only once, to go on a month-long pilgrimage to Italy, where she met Pope Leo XIII at a public audience and begged his special permission to enter the Carmelites before the required age. She finally entered at the age of fifteen in 1888. She was given the religious name "of the Child Jesus" and received

permission to adopt a second name too, "of the Holy Face." Once the door of the convent shut behind her, it never reopened. Her short life ended there just nine years later. Saint Thérèse suffered intensely from tuberculosis and died at an age when many lives are just beginning to flower. She was canonized in 1925, declared co-patron of France in 1944, and named the thirty-third Doctor of the Church by Pope Saint John Paul II in 1997, the youngest Doctor to date and probably the youngest the Church will ever recognize.

-My Catholic Life

This One Thing Makes Christianity Different From Every Other Religion



Is Jesus who He says He is? How do we know He's not a liar or a lunatic?

Today, Fr. Mike shares a story from his own life about a time when he was taking a class on world religions and their belief systems and how a quote from C.S. Lewis changed everything for him about how he came to understand who Jesus truly is.

Video

ROSARY CRUSADE TRIUMPH OF THE 1MMACULATE HEART OF MARY OCTOBER 7 6:30 pm CENTRAL Presented by the AVILA ARMY

Rosary Crusade ~ Triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Friday Oct 07, 2022 6:30pm - 9:00pm

Online, A Private Link will be Sent to You Upon Registration

Join us and dozens of our friends and fellow Catholic leaders—including Dan and Stephanie Burke, Cardinal Arborelius, Bishop Strickland, Msgr. Rossetti, Kathleen Beckman, Fr. Josh Johnson, Lila Rose, Fr. Ignatius Schweitzer, Dr. Mark Miravalle, Kimberly Hahn, and many more to come—as we pray the rosary together in a worldwide effort to bring the light of Christ to all.

Register Here



Careful What you Say

In the same way the tongue is a small member and yet it has great pretensions. Consider how a small fire can set a huge forest ablaze.

3 Minute Retreat

English

Español

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LIVING YOUR FAITH

Five Reasons to Simplify Life in Your Family

Crowded time is not good for the spirit.

Consider the frenetic life many of us lead. We may thrive on it for a while, but eventually it takes a toll not only on our health but also on our family time and on our spirit. Too many possessions can make more work or make us lazy. This may seem like a contradiction because much of modern technology is meant to free us of repetitive or menial tasks so that we can be more productive. Surely automatic washers and dryers free up a day that might be devoted to interaction with children. Computers speed up communication and maximize the number of people we can be in touch with. But do you find yourself washing clothes more often or getting more junk e-mail and spending more time on the Internet just because it's so easy?

Read More



Jessica Hanna embarazada con cáncer terminal rechaza el aborto, da a luz y sobrevive: «La confianza en Dios es lo más importante y abandonar todo al pie de la Cruz de Jesús»

Jessica Hanna, una farmacéutica y madre católica de cuatro hijos, fue diagnosticada con cáncer de mama terminal cuando tenía solo 14 semanas de embarazo. Si bien varios médicos le aconsejaron abortar, ella eligió la vida de su hijo y sobrevivió al cáncer.

Lea Más

You're Not Responsible for Everyone's Happiness



In seeking to please God, we often confuse our level of 'responsibility' with our value in God's eyes. Before you know it, we've taken on all the burdens we can carry and our faith quickly becomes a burdensome list of duties, musts, shoulds, and have to's. Have you experienced this kind of burn-out? Before we can be responsible we must first 'respond' to the amazing grace and love that first captured our hearts in Christ. When you define yourself radically as one beloved by God, this is your true self. Every other identity or source of value is an illusion.



Craft Idea to help Children Grow in Faith

Paper Plate Sheep



Start Craft

The face is the mirror of the mind, and eyes without speaking confess the secrets of the heart

St. Jerome

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