

St. Thomas Aquinas

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH



June 18th, 2023 | Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY MASSES

ENGLISH: Saturday—5:00 pm |
Sunday—9:00am | 12:00 pm | 6:00 pm
ITALIAN: Sunday—10:30 am
ESPAÑOL: Sunday—2:00 pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Saturday 9:00am

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 4:00pm or by appt

BAPTISMS—BAUTIZOS

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

WEDDINGS—BODAS

Please contact the office **one year** in advance.
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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.

"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." - Matthew 9:37-38

PASTOR Fr. Patrick Ezimora C.C.E.

ASSOCIATE PASTOR Fr. Peter Paul C.C.E.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Saturday

9:30 am - 12:00pm | 12:30 pm - 4:00 pm

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DEVOTIONS—DEVOCIONES

Holy Rosary: 8:30am on Wednesdays

Eucharistic Adoration: 9:30am - 11am
on Fridays and 6:00 pm on First Fridays

CHURCH HOURS:

The church is open Mondays to Fridays
from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm, Saturdays
from 8:00am to 6:00 pm and Sundays 8:00
am to 7:00 pm.

June 17th to June 24th 2023 MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, June 17th — Immaculate Heart of Mary

9:00 am +June Smaller/ +Evangelista Rivas de Chevez,
+Felix Chevez/ Birthday blessings upon Manuel Edgardo
Manzano

5:00 pm (available for intentions)

SUNDAY, June 18th

9:00 am +Violeta Rivero & +Sergio Cortes

10:30 am + Francesco & Ida Toter, +Antonio Greco &
Anime Bisognoso/ +Rosario & +Francesco Ferragina &
+Armando Carpino

12:00 pm (available for intentions)

2:00 pm +Crescencia Acosta de Hernandez/ +Moises,
+Agusiin Hernandez, +Gilbert Tovar/ Sanacion de Sandro
Jose Valencia, Ruth Parra & Gustav/ Birthday blessings
for Mathias Calle Cepeda/ Father's day thanksgiving for
Hugo Calle Andres Pereira, Juan Jose Calle & Christopher
Albear

6:00 pm (available for intentions)

MONDAY, June 19th

9:00 am +Maria Madalena Ngu, +Manuel Gonzalez
Heredia & all souls in purgatory/ Thanksgiving for the
ordination of Rev. Fr. Burka Asura Gelato S.J.

TUESDAY, June 20th

9:00 am +Peter Andersen & Vincent Tuong/ +Lucie &
+Ernest Vanderlinden & +Olimpia Rodriguez/ Thanksgiving
for the Wedding Anniversary of Colette & Allistair

WEDNESDAY, June 21st

9:00 am +Vincent Nguyen & +Maria Dinh/ Birthday
blessings upon Maria Luisa Alves Simoes Correia,
Dr. Michael Vechio & Claudia Campos Redil

THURSDAY, June 22nd

9:00 am +Vincent Nguyen & Maria Dinh/ +Timothy Ian
Francis Alvarez/ +Eusebia Arce, +Amelia Arce & +Jorgito
David Tejada Jr.

FRIDAY, June 23rd

9:00 +Vincent Nguyen & Maria Dinh

SATURDAY, June 24th — Nativity of St. John the Baptist

9:00 am +Joao & +Joana Amaral/ +Myriam Faluotico, +Julio
Ariel Maya/ Birthday blessings upon Washington Faluotico

12:00 pm Wedding of Giovanni & Alicia

5:00 pm +Mario, +Carmine, +Franco Cirillo & +Rosario
Lavalle / +Giovanni Tramontin



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THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

On this 11th Sunday in Ordinary time, we read about **the mission** entrusted by our Lord to the twelve apostles. He gave them authority over unclean spirits, empowered them to cleanse the lepers and heal the sick. Moreover, they were sent to spread the Good News: "The kingdom of heaven has come near" (Matthew 10.7). Are you still busying yourself with that holy task or not? This week, may you and I continue to **respond positively**, sharing our Lord's beating heart of love for the salvation of souls. Amen.

Bible Study for Wednesday, June 28, 2023

From 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Topic: *Getting to know the Bible.*

Part 1: *The Biblical Canon*

Please bring along your Bibles, Catechism, and notebook.

Youth Ministry for Friday, June 23, 2023

Topic: **Music and Talent Night**

7:00 pm to 8:30 pm in the parish hall; refreshments will be provided. If you are interested, please register and pick up a flyer. We need sponsors for each youth night. Thank you in advance!

UPCOMING TRIPS

June 30 - July 2, 2023:

Statue of Liberty & Other Sites in New York
\$495 per person

July 8

Flowerpot Island Drop Off Tour
Glass Bottom Tour of the Shipwreck, Lighthouse, Islands then depart the boat and Explore Flowerpot Island!

Cost: \$195 per person
Includes bus and cruise fare

July 15

Cherry Picking & Labyrinth Walk | \$60 per person—
Stay tuned for more updates!

Contact: Edith—416-420-5185

Thank you for your generosity!

June 11, 2023 Regular Collection:
\$4, 169.00

Parish BBQ

THANK YOU, GRAZIE MILLE, MUCHAS GRACIAS, SALAMAT PO!

A resounding thank you to all those who shared meal and fellowship with us during our last annual BBQ. It was so fun! Congrats to all those who won the amazing raffle prizes. Finally, we express our sincere gratitude to the many generous individuals and group of friends, who chose to stay anonymous; the same appreciation goes to all our extraordinary sponsors: Bernardo Funeral Home, No-frills, Lady York, Zito's Marketplace, North Cliff Pharmacy, Frescho, Shoppers DrugMart, etc. God bless you!

THANK YOU
SO MUCH

Congratulations and best wishes to all the fathers of our parish. May God the Father bless you and renew your fatherly qualities and virtues. Amen!

HAPPY
Fathers
DAY

Catholic Charismatic Movement in English

Every Thursday in our parish main hall, from 7pm to 8:30pm.

Mass: National Indigenous Peoples Day

His Grace Archbishop Francis Leo will celebrate Mass at the Native Peoples' Mission in observance of National Indigenous Peoples Day. The day honours and celebrates the culture and heritage of First Nations, Inuit and Métis people.

Date: Wednesday, June 21, 2023 at 7:00 PM
Place: Native Peoples' Mission, St. Ann's Church, 120 First Avenue, Toronto
Following Mass, a reception will be held in the parish hall. All are Welcome!

Blessed Sacrament's Candle & Flowers



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ESTA SEMANA EN ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

Del escritorio del Pastor

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo

En este undécimo domingo del tiempo ordinario, leemos acerca de la misión confiada por Nuestro Señor a los doce apóstoles. Les dio autoridad sobre los espíritus inmundos, les facultó para limpiar a los leprosos y curar a los enfermos. Además, fueron enviados a difundir la Buena Nueva: "El reino de los cielos se ha acercado" (Mateo 10.7). ¿Sigues o no ocupándote de esa santa tarea? Esta semana, que tú y yo sigamos respondiendo positivamente, compartiendo el corazón palpitante de amor de nuestro Señor por la salvación de las almas. Amén.

Estudio Bíblico para el Miércoles 28 de Junio 2023 De 19:00 a 20:30

Tema: "Conocer la Biblia. Parte 1: El canon bíblico"
Por favor traigan sus Biblias, Catecismo, y cuaderno.

Pastoral Juvenil para el viernes 23 de junio de 2023 Tema: Noche de formación en la fe

7:00 pm a 8:30 pm en el salón parroquial; se ofrecerán refrescos. Si usted está interesado, por favor regístrese y recoja un volante. Necesitamos patrocinadores para cada noche de jóvenes. ¡Gracias de antemano!

PRÓXIMOS VIAJES

30 de junio - 2 de julio de 2023:

Estatua de la Libertad y otros lugares de Nueva York
495 \$ por persona

8 de julio

Excursión a la Isla Flowerpot

Excursión con fondo de cristal por el naufragio, el faro y las islas, para luego dejar el barco y explorar Flowerpot Island.

Precio: 195 \$ por persona

Incluye billete de autobús y crucero

15 de julio

Recogida de cerezas y paseo por el laberinto | \$60 por persona-¡Permanezca atento a más actualizaciones!

Contacto: Edith-416-420-5185

Correo electrónico: edithwyd@yahoo.com

¡Gracias por su generosidad!

Junio 11, 2023 Colecta Regular:
\$4, 169.00

Barbacoa Parroquial

¡GRACIAS, GRAZIE MILLE, MUCHAS GRACIAS, SALAMAT PO!

Un rotundo agradecimiento a todos los que compartieron la comida y el compañerismo con nosotros durante nuestra última barbacoa anual. ¡Fue muy divertido! Felicidades a todos los que ganaron los increíbles premios de la rifa. Por último, expresamos nuestro más sincero agradecimiento a las numerosas personas y grupos de amigos generosos, que prefirieron permanecer en el anonimato; el mismo agradecimiento va para todos nuestros extraordinarios patrocinadores: Funeraria Bernardo, No-frills, Lady York, Zito's Marketplace, North Cliff Pharmacy, Frescho, Shoppers DrugMart, etc. ¡Que Dios les bendiga!

¡GRACIAS!

Felicidades y mis mejores deseos a todos los padres de nuestra parroquia. Que Dios Padre os bendiga y renueve vuestras cualidades y virtudes paternas. Amén.

Feliz día Del PADRE

Movimiento Carismático Católico en inglés

Todos los jueves en el salón principal de nuestra parroquia, de 19:00 a 20:30.

Misa: Día Nacional de los Pueblos Indígenas

Su Gracia el Arzobispo Francis Leo celebrará una Misa en la Misión de los Pueblos Nativos para conmemorar el Día Nacional de los Pueblos Indígenas. Este día honra y celebra la cultura y el patrimonio de las Primeras Naciones, los Inuit y los Métis.

Fecha: Miércoles, 21 de junio de 2023 a las 19:00 horas

Lugar: Misión de los Pueblos Nativos, Iglesia de Santa Ana, 120 Primera Avenida, Toronto

Tras la misa, se celebrará una recepción en el salón parroquial. ¡Todos son bienvenidos!

Vela y flores del

Santísimo Sacramento

Por la amable generosidad de
Maria Menanno

Gracias y que Dios la bendiga.

Grazie. Gracias. Salamats po. Asante!



ALL ABOUT FAITH

Birth of St. John the Baptist June 24

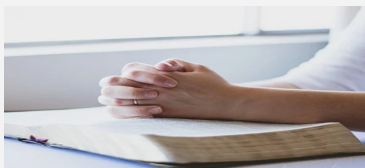


Besides Christ Himself, only two saints' birthdays are commemorated liturgically: The Virgin Mary's on September 8, exactly nine months after the Feast of her Immaculate Conception; and Saint John the Baptist's on June 24, today's feast. Saint Mary and Saint John were both sanctified, or made holy, before they first opened their eyes to the light or ever gulped a mouthful of fresh air. A long span of years did not turn them into saints. God made them holy from the start. So we commemorate their lives from the start, from their birthdays. Elizabeth and Zechariah were told by a winged messenger of God Himself that they would have a boy. That little boy grew to be a man, a great man, who accepted death rather than swallow his words criticizing the powerful Herod Antipas. John ran ahead of Christ, clearing the ground so that the Lord's pathway would be clear. This forerunner baptized the Christ, preached and prophesied like the Christ, fasted and prayed like the Christ, and died for the truth like the Christ.

May the birth of Saint John the Baptist deepen our love for all unborn babies, who must be given the chance to grow, to live, and to become the great men and women God invites them to be. God respected the laws of human biology when intervening in history. May we follow His example of seeing every child, every life, as a gift.

-My Catholic Life

Seeking Spiritual Healing, the Ignatian Way June 26 to 30, 2023



This week long retreat is loosely based on the Four Weeks of the Ignatian Spiritual Exercises. We move from looking at our sinful world to journeying with Jesus through the cross, finding renewed life in our journey as we look forward at our own life journey with the desire of coming in full union with God after we leave our earthly journey.

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St. Margaret Mary and the Sacred Heart



Some saints are easy to love. It's obvious why generations of Catholics have been drawn to St. Francis of Assisi's humble spirituality, for example, or St. Catherine of Siena's powerful zeal. Others are challenging. Their particular flavor of holiness can be difficult to comprehend in modern times. St. Margaret Mary Alacoque (1647-1690) is one of those kinds of saints for me. If you ever read her autobiography, you'll learn that one of her main themes was extreme self-loathing. It's honestly difficult to read. Unlike other saints who wrote about their own abasement, she actually spends more pages on her wickedness and need for punishment than on God's goodness.

And yet, God chose her to be the ambassador of his Sacred Heart. When you keep this in mind, her whole story becomes a powerful story of his mercy.

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Changing the World

Matthew 16:18

And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.

3 Minute Retreat

[English](#)

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LIVING YOUR FAITH

St. John the Baptist



Animated Story

[Children's Video](#)

Start with friendship and live what you preach:
Pope's recipe for sharing faith



With dialogue and friendship: This is how a missionary begins, according to Pope Francis. The Pope continued this May 31 his catechesis series on sharing the Gospel — apostolic zeal — today considering the example of another Jesuit: Matteo Ricci. Ricci died in the year 1610, but his cause for canonization is still underway and he was just recognized as Venerable a few months ago.

The Pope then considered “Matteo Ricci’s secret”:

He always followed the way of dialogue and friendship with all the people he encountered, and this opened many doors to him for the proclamation of the Christian faith. His first work in Chinese was indeed a treatise On friendship, which had great resonance.

[Read More](#)

Summer Street Patrol

July 05, 2023 to August 30, 2023
Wednesdays from 6:30 PM to 09:00 PM
St. Patrick's Parish Toronto



Would you or your group like to help the homeless? Street Patrol is a walk through Toronto's downtown core, offering food and friendship to the homeless. Food and drinks are prepared independently ahead of time by you or your group. You may volunteer once or as many times as you wish. Individuals or small groups **do not** need to contact Street Patrol in advance. You may just show up. Larger groups (12 people or more), please book ahead.

[Learn More Here](#)

What's Wrong With the World? I am.



“Everyone else is the problem... but I’m NOT the problem.” It can be so very easy to point fingers and criticize the flaws and shortcomings we see in the world around us. It can be easy to see the splinter in our brother's eye but fail to recognize the log in our own eye. Bobby Angel offers us some critical questions to reflect on before we launch into criticism of others and how to grow in humility and work on the interior transformation that God wants for our lives.

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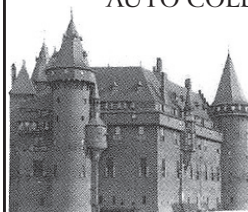
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