

St. Thomas Aquinas

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH



July 2nd, 2023 | Thirteenth 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

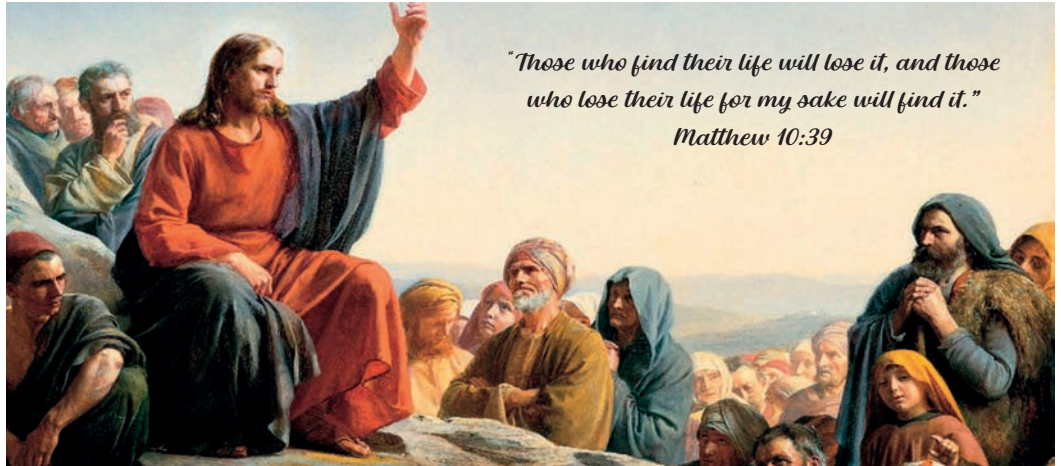
Please contact the office **one year** in advance.
Llamar a la oficina con **un año** de anticipación.

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.



*"Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."
Matthew 10:39*

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

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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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.

July 1st to July 8th 2023

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, July 1st

9:00 am Circle of Prayers/ Thanksgiving for Legion of Mary/ +Salvatore Adelina, +Gianni Romanyszyn, +Carmene D'Ambrosio, +Mario Guagiardi/ + Mariana Silva de Naranjo/ In Honour of the Most Precious Blood of our Lord Jesus

5:00 pm (available for intentions)

SUNDAY, July 2nd

9:00 am +Alfonso Menanno & +Loreto De Carolis

10:30 am (available for intentions)

12:00 pm Birthday blessings upon Remilekun Agbame-Owolabi

2:00 pm Descanso del alma de +Mariana Silva de Naranjo/ por la sanacion de Martin Velez, Rafael Marroquin & Dolores Andrade

6:00 pm (available for intentions)

MONDAY, July 3rd

9:00 am +Marie Amelie Felicite Wong/ +Maria Madalena Ngu and all souls in Purgatory /+ Maria del Carmen de Ramos/ +Concepcion Ramos/ Birthday blessings upon Cristina Valeria Gomez

TUESDAY, July 4th

9:00 am +Peter Andersen and +Vincent Tuong/ 2nd year death anniversary of +Saul Edgardo Zuniga/ +Juana Ines Venega/ Thanksgiving for the anniversary of ordination Rev. Joel Okojic

WEDNESDAY, July 5th

9:00 am +Vincent Nguyen & +Maria Dinh

7:00 pm Memorial Mass for +Ramon Valdes

THURSDAY, July 6th

9:00 am +Vincent Nguyen & +Maria Dinh / +Guillermo Turcios/ +Pat Cimino/ +Ada & +Alfonso Mendicino/ +Marina Espinoza/ Birthday blessings upon Ingrid Espinoza

FRIDAY, July 7th

9:00 Thanksgiving for wedding anniversary of Curtis and Sheobbie Brown/ +Vincent Nguyen & +Maria Dinh/ +Guillermo Turcios/ +Jose Denis, +Maria Elena, +Alejandra & Jose Antonio Elias/ + Florencia Cayas/ Death anniversary of Edmund Palomo Sr./ 10-year death anniversary of +Consiglia Larrosi, +Antonio Larossi

SATURDAY, July 8th

9:00 am +Guillermo Turcios

5:00 pm (available for intentions)



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THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

On this 13th Sunday, our Lord calls you and I to a **radical** discipleship. That means, Jesus **Christ or nothing**, God, or nothing; and why should we live so radically? Here is the reason: "All of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death. Therefore, we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life (...). So, you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus" (Romans 6.3-4, 8-11). This week and always, may you enjoy being **100% Christian**. Amen.

PARISH BIBLE STUDY

Please note that our Bible Study will be suspended during the months of July and August. We shall resume in September. Date and topic will be duly communicated. Thank you.

PARISH YOUTH GROUP

Our Youth Group will be taking a summer break and will be starting again in September. A big thank you to all our members and volunteers who actively participated in our activities this year! Have a wonderful summer! See you soon!

UPCOMING TRIPS

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

August 5

Filipino Pilgrimage at Martyr's Shine in Midland and 30,000 Islands & Honey Harbour Tour

\$115 per person.

Contact: Edith—416-420-5185

Email – edithwyd@yahoo.com

Mission Appeal by Fr. Tulio Ramires, mxy:

At the weekend Masses of July 15/16, Fr. Tulio Ramires, a religious Order priest of Yarumal Mission Society, will be requesting our Community's financial support for the missionary work that they do in favor of the poor and needy people all over the world. Please let us lend them a helping hand as best we can by donating intentionally with the Mission Co-op envelopes. Thank you so much and may God reward you abundantly.

RAFFLE WINNERS

- 1) White ceramic platter – Ticket #0123, Alyssa Mercado
- 2) Picture Frame 1 – Ticket #2025, Guilda Furtado
- 3) Picture Frame 2 – Ticket #0605, Marilyn Cohen
- 4) Instant Pot – Ticket #1667, Virgie Flores
- 5) Lasagna Pan – Ticket #1706, Dennis Louis
- 6) Lady York Gift Basket – Ticket #0837, Ray
- 7) Dome Roaster – Ticket #0083, Lolito
- 8) Food Stand Mixer – Ticket #0395, Angel Castro
- 9) Dual Zone Air Fryer – Ticket #1186, Christian Alfarone
- 10) iPad – Ticket #1050, Anna Del Riccio
- 11) BBQ – Ticket #0037, Artium Loginou
- 12) 50" Flat Screen TV – Ticket #1763, Elpidio Comendal

TORONTO RIGHT TO LIFE

Toronto Right To Life in partnership with Canadian Centre for Bio ethical Research is organizing a 3 day Pro-life Crash Course from July 13th-15th, 2023 in Toronto. In Canada, almost 300 babies are killed by abortion every day. Learning how to change hearts, helps us tackle the culture of death effectively and save lives.

The course will prepare you to have conversations on abortion and also provide hands-on experience doing pro-life outreach on the streets of Toronto. It is a great summer opportunity to get equipped and become an effective and compassionate pro-life activist. The last date to apply is next week. For more details, go to trtl.ca/crash-course.

Catholic Charismatic Movement in English & Spanish

English: Thursdays from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm in our parish main hall.

Spanish: Fridays from 7:00pm to 8:30 pm in the Padre Pio Hall.

Please note that the Office will be closed on July 3, 2023 in observance of Canada Day. Our office hours will resume on Tuesday, July 4, 2023.

Thank you for your generosity!
June 25, 2023 Regular Collection:
\$3117.00

ESTA SEMANA EN ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

Del escritorio del Pastor

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

En este 13º Domingo, nuestro Señor nos llama a ustedes y a mí a un discipulado radical. Eso significa: Jesucristo o nada, Dios o nada; y ¿por qué debemos vivir tan radicalmente? He aquí la razón: "Todos los que hemos sido bautizados en Cristo Jesús, hemos sido bautizados en su muerte. Por tanto, hemos sido sepultados con él mediante el bautismo en la muerte, para que, al igual que Cristo resucitó de entre los muertos por la gloria del Padre, así también nosotros caminemos en una vida nueva (...). Así también vosotros consideraos muertos al pecado y vivos para Dios en Cristo Jesús" (Romanos 6.3-4, 8-11). Que esta semana y siempre disfrutes de ser 100% cristiano. Amén.

ESTUDIO BIBLICO PARROQUIAL

Les informamos que nuestro Estudio Bíblico se suspenderá durante los meses de julio y agosto. Se reanudará en septiembre. La fecha y el tema serán debidamente comunicados. Muchas gracias.

GRUPO JUVENIL PARROQUIAL

Nuestro Grupo de Jóvenes se tomará un descanso estival y se reanudará en septiembre. Muchas gracias a todos los miembros y voluntarios que han participado activamente en nuestras actividades este año. ¡Buen verano! ¡Hasta pronto!

PRÓXIMOS VIAJES

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: permanezca atento a las novedades.

5 de agosto

Peregrinación filipina en Martyr's Shine en Midland y excursión a 30.000 islas y Honey Harbour

115 \$ por persona.

Contacto: Edith-416-420-5185

Correo electrónico: edithwyd@yahoo.com

Llamado Misionero del P. Tulio Ramires, mxy:

En las misas del fin de semana del 15/16 de julio, el P. Tulio Ramires, sacerdote de la Orden religiosa de la Sociedad Misionera Yarumal, solicitará el apoyo económico de nuestra Comunidad para la labor misionera que realizan a favor de los pobres y necesitados de todo el mundo. Por favor, echémosles una mano lo mejor que podamos donando intencionadamente con los sobres de la Cooperativa Misionera. Muchas gracias y que Dios les recompense abundantemente.

GANADORES DE LA RIFA

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Toronto Right To Life en colaboración con el Centro Canadiense para la Investigación Bioética está organizando un curso acelerado Pro-vida de 3 días del 13 al 15 de julio de 2023 en Toronto. En Canadá, casi 300 bebés mueren cada día a causa del aborto. Aprender a cambiar los corazones nos ayuda a hacer frente a la cultura de la muerte con eficacia y a salvar vidas.

El curso te preparará para mantener conversaciones sobre el aborto y también te proporcionará experiencia práctica realizando actividades provida en las calles de Toronto. Es una gran oportunidad de verano para equiparse y convertirse en un activista provida eficaz y compasivo. El plazo para inscribirse finaliza la semana que viene. Para más detalles, visita trtl.ca/crash-course.

Movimiento Carismático Católico en inglés y español

Inglés: Jueves de 7:00 pm a 8:30 pm en el salón principal de nuestra parroquia.

Español: Viernes de 7:00 pm a 8:30 pm en el Salón Padre Pio.

La Oficina permanecerá cerrada el 3 de julio de 2023 con motivo del Día de Canadá. Nuestro horario de oficina se reanudará el martes 4 de julio de 2023.

Gracias por su generosidad!

Junio 25, 2023 Colecta Regular:

\$3117.00

ALL ABOUT FAITH

St. Thomas the Apostle July 3



Today's saint, known as "Doubting Thomas," is Christianity's icon of doubt. He loves, serves, and follows the Lord. Upon hearing of the death of Lazarus, Christ decides to go to Judea, where He has previously come under attack. The Apostles are concerned for Christ's safety, but Thomas supports Him, saying, "Let us also go, that we may die with him" (Jn 11:16). Thomas is strong and generous. But he is also a man, so he does what men do—he doubts. Christ's crucifixion was a searing experience for His Apostles, and Thomas doubts that one so cruelly and publicly murdered could be alive. He is told by his co-Apostles that the Lord is risen and has appeared to them. Yet still Thomas doubts. He will only believe if he can place his hands in Christ's very wounds. To satisfy his skepticism, Thomas joins the others and waits patiently on the Sunday after Easter. The risen Lord appears again in the same place. "Peace be with you," He says to all. And then to Thomas himself, "Put your finger here and see my hands...Do not doubt but believe." "My Lord and my God!" is all the flabbergasted Thomas can muster in response (Jn 20:24-29). Thomas' simple declaration of faith—"My Lord and my God!"—is whispered by millions of faithful at the consecration at Mass, words of faith forged from the anvil of doubt.

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Healing after Abortion Day of Prayer and Healing for Women



Saturday, July 15, 2023—9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

The Sisters of Life are hosting a Day of Prayer and Healing for women seeking healing after abortion. This day is an opportunity to experience the loving mercy of God and the joy of healing in Christ, in a confidential and sacred space. It will include a witness of mercy, a Scripture reflection, personal prayer, opportunity for Sacramental Confession, and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. There is no fee for the day, lunch will be provided.

[Contact Sisters of Life](#)

Pope: Continue to inspire love for the Holy Eucharist

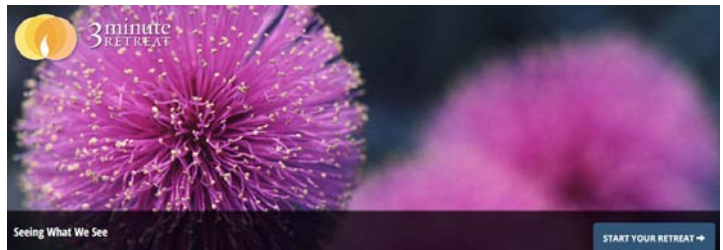


"I encourage you to continue your efforts to contribute to a revival of faith in, and love for, the Holy Eucharist, the "source and summit of the Christian life."

With these words, Pope Francis expressed his gratitude to the members of the Committee preparing for the forthcoming National Eucharistic Congress in the United States of America, for their efforts to promote love for the Eucharist.

"Indeed, the Eucharist is God's response to the deepest hunger of the human heart, the hunger for authentic life, for, in the Eucharist, Christ Himself is truly in our midst, to nourish, console and sustain us on our journey."

[Read More](#)



Seeing What You See

Acts of the Apostles 2:38

Peter [said] to them, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the holy Spirit."

3 Minute Retreat

[English](#)

[Español](#)

LIVING YOUR FAITH

Eucharist Series | E1 The Last Supper



Animated Story

[Children's Video](#)

Prayer to the Precious Blood of Jesus



“Father in heaven, may we all be cleansed by the saving Blood of Jesus; may our consciences be purged of dead works. Scripture says that evil is defeated by the Blood of the Lamb, so we ask that the Blood of Jesus cover all who are in need of protection (all civil, religious and lay leaders, our families, friends, enemies, all those for whom we have promised to pray, and ourselves). We mark the borders of our nation and the doorposts of our churches, homes, schools and places of employment with the Precious Blood of Jesus. Also, we cover our vehicles that no one may ever be injured through them. Thank You, Lord, for shedding Your Blood for us. May the Water and Blood that came from the side of Jesus create a protecting fountain of grace, one which flows directly from the throne of God to us. Come, Lord, and fill us with Your Holy Spirit.”

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](#)

Why Modern Men Look Elsewhere for Spiritual Wisdom



An interesting article was published at The Gospel Coalition titled “Savior or Stoics? Why Modern Men Look for Spiritual Wisdom Outside the Church” The author observed how a growing number of young men are filling a moral and spiritual void in their lives by turning to modern self-help books based on ancient Stoic thinkers Why is Stoicism so appealing to many young men today? And what lessons might Christians learn from this development? That is what Brandon Vogt and I discuss on today's episode of “The Word on Fire Show.”

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“In God’s marvelous plan, Divine Providence often uses the tiniest twigs to do good works.”

— Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati

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