

St. Thomas Aquinas

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH



July 7th, 2024 | Fourteenth 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 | First Fridays - 7:00 pm

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

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

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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.
FOOD BANK: Tuesdays & Saturdays at 12:00 pm

July 6th to 13th 2024 MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, July 6th — St. Maria Goretti

9:00 am Thanksgiving for the Legion of Mary/
+Pat Cimino, +Ada & +Alfonso Mendicino/
+Vincent Nguyen & +Maria Dinh

2:30 pm Baptism of Ayla Topkaya

5:00 pm (available for intentions)

SUNDAY, July 7th

9:00 am +Florencia Cayas (death anniversary)/ +Alfonso
Menanno & +Loreto De Carolis/+Guillermo Turcios/
+Vincent Nguyen & +Maria Dinh/ Thanksgiving for
Eusebio & Erlinda Ong for their 50th wedding anniversary
10:30 am +Luigi La Valle in remembrance of his birthday
12:00 pm (available for intentions)
2:00 pm +Jose Antonio Elias & +Laura Castaño
6:00 pm (available for intentions)

MONDAY, July 8th

9:00 am +Guillermo Turcios/+Peter Andersen & +Vincent
Tuong/ Maria Phien & all souls in purgatory

TUESDAY, July 9th

9:00 am +Peter Andersen & +Vincent Tuong/ +Vincent
Nguyen & +Maria Dinh/ +Guillermo Turcios/+Osvaldo
Arevalo Senior/ +Jose Denys Elias

WEDNESDAY, July 10th

9:00 am +Vincent Nguyen & +Maria Dinh/ +Guillermo
Turcios/ +Lucy Debayle/ Birthday blessings upon Ana de Gonzalez

THURSDAY, July 11th — St. Benedict

9:00 am +Vincent Nguyen & +Maria Dinh/ +Guillermo Turcios

FRIDAY, July 12th

9:00 am +Vincent Nguyen & +Maria Dinh/ + Ana de Dios Giraldo/
Holy Spirit's guidance upon Ana Celia & Fredy, Lorena & Martin
8:00 pm Memorial Mass for Immacolata Altamari

SATURDAY, July 13th — St. Henry

9:00 am +Dina Duarte, +Francisco Javier Quijada/ +Vincent
Nguyen & +Maria Dinh

1:00 pm Baptism of Selena Ames

2:30 pm Baptism of Millie Lin

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,
Happy New month to everyone! Three readings of this Sunday (Ezekiel 2.3-5; 2 Corinthians 12.7-10; and Mark 6.1-6) tell us something about our prophetic ministry. Yes, you read it right! Every baptized Christian has been chosen by God and consecrated to prophesy. We prophesy whenever we proudly live out our Christian values, embrace our 'misfortunes' and accept the fact that not everybody will welcome us and what we stand for. I encourage you to reflect on the Gospel of today. Happy Sunday and do enjoy some sunshine! Amen.

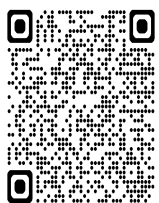
Youth Group: Summer Camp 2024

- Dates: July 8 to August 23, 2024
- Time: 9:00 to 3:00 pm
- Ages: 11-14
- Cost: Parents will have the opportunity to choose which weeks their child attend to. The initial week is \$125, with an additional \$100 per week added.

First Holy Communion & Confirmation Registration is on!

Please send us an email at: stthomasaquinasto@archtoronto.org with the following information: 1) Full name of student; 2) Age; 3) School; 4) Grade; 5) Church/Parish ; 6) Home Address; and 7) Sacraments already received.

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Mission Coop Appeal 2024

Our STA Parish will be welcoming Fr. Francis Neissery, a priest of the Archdiocese of Verapoly (India) on the weekend of July 13/14. He will be sharing with us the missionary initiatives of his Archdiocese as well as seeking our financial support. Please give using the yellow "Mission Coop" envelopes available on the tables in front of the main entrance. Thank you and may the Lord reward you.



Our senior STA youth had the opportunity to attend the yearly summer Steubenville Conference at the Main Campus of Franciscan University Ohio! This would not have been possible the support of our supportive loving community.

Stay updated with Youth Ministry Activities and follow our youth group Instagram account [@sta.youthministry](https://www.instagram.com/sta.youthministry)



PILGRIMAGE TO GUADALUPE & THE SHRINES OF MEXICO

Marian Pilgrimage to Mexico from September 21 to 27 featuring: Mexico City - Guadalupe - Tulpetlac - Teotihuacan - Ocotlan - San Miguel del Milagros - Puebla - Cholula - Taco. Under the spiritual direction of Rev. Patrick Ezimora, CCE. Flyers are available at the back of the Church or call our office for more information.

ESTA SEMANA EN ST. TOMÁS AQUINO

Del escritorio del Pastor

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,
¡Feliz mes nuevo a todos! Tres lecturas de este domingo (Ezequiel 2.3-5; 2 Corintios 12.7-10; y Marcos 6.1-6) nos dicen algo sobre nuestro ministerio profético. Sí, ¡han leído bien! Todo cristiano bautizado ha sido elegido por Dios y consagrado para profetizar. Profetizamos siempre que vivimos con orgullo nuestros valores cristianos, abrazamos nuestras "desgracias" y aceptamos el hecho de que no todo el mundo nos acogerá bien a nosotros y a lo que representamos. Os animo a reflexionar sobre el Evangelio de hoy. Feliz domingo y disfrutad del sol. Amén.

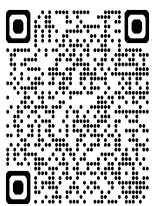
Grupo de jóvenes: Campamento de verano 2024

- Fechas: Del 8 de julio al 23 de agosto de 2024
- Horario: de 9:00 am a 3:00 pm
- Edades: 11-14
- Coste: Los padres tendrán la oportunidad de elegir a qué semanas asistirá su hijo. La semana inicial es de \$ 125, con un adicional de \$ 100 por semana añadido.

¡La inscripción para la Primera Comunión y la Confirmación está en marcha!

Por favor, envíenos un correo electrónico a: stthomasaquinasto@archtoronto.org con la siguiente información: 1) Nombre completo del alumno; 2) Edad; 3) Escuela; 4) Grado; 5) Iglesia/Parroquia ; 6) Dirección del domicilio; y 7) Sacramentos ya recibidos.

Gracias por su generosidad
Colecta regular-30 de junio de 2024
\$ 4583.00



¡Domingo sin papel! Por favor, apoye a su parroquia por donación en línea fácil que mantiene un registro de todo para fines de recibo de impuestos. ¡Gracias por su generosidad!

Viviendo el Evangelio a través de ShareLife

ShareLife es más que una colecta parroquial. Es la forma como nosotros, los católicos de la Arquidiócesis de Toronto, llevamos las manos de Cristo a los necesitados.

“Si puedo ayudar al menos a una persona en este momento difícil, estoy haciendo mi parte. A través de ShareLife ayudamos a quienes más lo necesitan”. – Un partidario de ShareLife

¡Gracias por mostrar su amor y compasión a través de ShareLife!

Misión Coop Appeal 2024

Nuestra Parroquia STA acogerá el fin de semana del 13/14 de julio al P. Francis Neissery, sacerdote de la Archidiócesis de Verapoly (India). Él compartirá con nosotros las iniciativas misioneras de su Arquidiócesis, así como la búsqueda de nuestro apoyo financiero. Por favor donen usando los sobres amarillos de "Mission Coop" disponibles en las mesas frente a la entrada principal. Gracias y que el Señor les recompense.



¡Nuestros jóvenes mayores de STA tuvieron la oportunidad de asistir a la Conferencia anual de verano de Steubenville en el Campus Principal de la Universidad Franciscana de Ohio! Esto no habría sido posible el apoyo de nuestra comunidad de apoyo amoroso.

Mantente al día de las actividades de la Pastoral Juvenil y sigue nuestra cuenta de Instagram [@sta.youthministry](https://www.instagram.com/sta.youthministry)

PEREGRINACIÓN A GUADALUPE Y LOS SANTUARIOS DE MÉXICO



Peregrinación Mariana a México del 21 al 27 de septiembre que incluye: Ciudad de México - Guadalupe - Tulpetlac - Teotihuacan - Ocotlan - San Miguel del Milagros - Puebla - Cholula - Taco. Bajo la dirección espiritual del Rev. Patrick Ezimora, CCE. Los folletos están disponibles en la parte posterior de la Iglesia o llame a nuestra oficina para más información.

ALL ABOUT FAITH

Memorial of St. Benedict — July 11



Reflection: Benedict was born into Roman nobility in Nursia, central Italy, roughly 100 miles northeast of Rome. His father was a prefect for the Western Roman Empire, which had fallen to the barbarians a decade prior to his birth. He had a twin sister named Scholastica, who also became a saint. As a youth, Benedict was sent to Rome for studies. However, he quickly became disillusioned by the prevalent immorality and disorder, particularly among his classmates. At the age of twenty, to find peace in his soul and avoid the traps that had ensnared many of his peers, he moved to the countryside of the town of Affile, about forty miles from Rome. As we honor this important figure in Church and world history, reflect on his humble beginnings. He witnessed the immoralities of his day and fled from those temptations to embrace a life of holiness. At that time, it would have been difficult for him to comprehend the influence he would have had on all of Europe and, in fact, upon the whole world for many centuries to come. Reflect on the fact that God also calls you to flee from sin and embrace a life of holiness. When that happens, God can do great things through you in ways you may never comprehend. Follow the example of Saint Benedict and commit yourself to holy daily living, and leave it up to God to use you as He wills.

Prayer: *Saint Benedict, you witnessed the moral corruption in Rome at an early age and fled to the wilderness to seek out God's will. Through your prayerful obedience to God's will, inestimable good fruit has been borne. Please pray for me that I will always seek out God's will in my life, leaving behind the many temptations to sin that I encounter, so that God can use me in ways known only to Him. Saint Benedict, pray for me. Jesus, I trust in You. — My Catholic Life*

FAMILY HEALING RETREAT
Saturday, July 13, 2024 09:00 AM -
Sunday, July 14, 2024 06:00 PM

Divine Retreat Centre Toronto, 69 William St.



The Family Healing Retreat will be led by Fr. Sam Samuel VC, Fr. Louis Joseph VC and the Divine team on July 13 and 14 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The Retreat will consist of Holy Mass, Praise and Worship, Spiritual talks, Confession and Eucharistic Adoration. Lunch will be provided and attendance on both days is mandatory. Prior registration is required with a fee of \$20 (plus service fees) and registration can be done through our website

[Check Out Event](#)

Pope Francis: Jesus in the Eucharist strengthens us in times of trial



Pope Francis urged people to remember that Jesus is always with us to come to our aid, particularly in the Eucharist.

“In the Eucharist, he gathers us around him, he gives us his word, he nourishes with his body and his blood, and then he invites us to set sail, to transmit everything we have heard and to share what we have received with everyone, in everyday life, even when it is difficult,” the pope said.

“Jesus does not spare us contrarities but, without ever abandoning us, he helps us face them,” Francis added.

[Read More](#)



3 Minute Retreat Living in Freedom

Galatians 5:22-23

In contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

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LIVING YOUR FAITH

What is a Prophet?

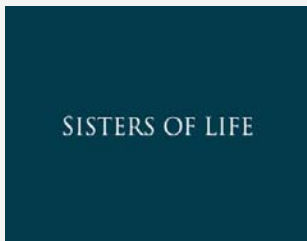


Animated Story

[Children's Video](#)

July Day of Prayer and Healing

Saturday, July 27, 2024 09:00 AM 05:30 PM



Healing After Abortion: Do you know someone who is carrying the grief of a past abortion? There is always hope. The pain and sorrow of abortion does not need to endure for a lifetime. A “Day of Prayer and Healing” offers the opportunity to experience the love and mercy of God and to respond to His invitation to begin the journey of healing the wound of abortion. This day includes a testimony, times of prayer, lunch, the opportunity for Confession and Mass. For more details, locations and confidential registration, or just to talk to a Sister, please call the Sisters of Life at 416-463-2722 or reach us by email at toronto@sistersoflife.org.

[Check Event Here](#)

Here's why July is dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus Christ



One particular devotion in the Catholic Church connected to the Passion of Jesus Christ is the honoring of his Precious Blood. It is a recognition of Jesus' sacrifice and how he spilled his blood for the salvation of humanity. Furthermore, this blood is made present through the gift of the Eucharist and is something we can consume at Mass, along with the body of Christ, under the appearance of bread and wine.

[Read More](#)

What Happens When You Stop This Toxic Habit?



Nell O'Leary, wife and mother, challenges us to look at our lives and see if the toxic behavior and spiritual vice of gossip is overshadowing all the beautiful ways God reveals his love for you. The taste of gossip or having an inside scoop can be delicious in our mouths, but this behavior is often a secret cry for validation.

[Watch Video](#)

“Every time a creature offers up this Blood by which he was redeemed, he offers a gift of infinite worth, which can be equaled by no other!”

— St. Mary Magdalen de Pazzi

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