

St. Thomas Aquinas

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH



September 29th 2024 | Twenty Sixth 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.
Llamar a la oficina con **un año** de anticipación.

CATECHISM & RCIA

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



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RESIDENT PRIEST Fr. Peter Paul C.C.E.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Friday
9:30 am - 12:00pm | 12:30 pm - 4:00 pm

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DEVOTIONS—DEVOCIONES

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Eucharistic Adoration: 9:30am - 10am
on Fridays and 7:30 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.
FOOD BANK: Tuesdays & Saturdays at 12:00 pm

*Welcome to St. Thomas Aquinas Parish, where unity embraces diversity in the one and same Catholic faith.
Together, we are the salt of the earth and the light of the world.
Come, worship with us today!*

September 28th to October 5th, 2024 MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, September 28th — St. Lorenzo Ruiz

9:00 am +Vincent Nguyen & +Maria Dinh

5:00 pm +Celso Macuto/ +Leonardo Pada/ +Sardenio Ayate

SUNDAY, September 29th

9:00 am +Francia Gallego +Antonio & Saturnina

Tolibas & +Porferia Tokong/ +Miguela R. Junatas

10:30 am +Rocco Nicastro/+Silvana Tramontin

12:00 pm +Lerma Gonzales

2:00 pm +Anita Herrera Deza/ +Manuel Conde/

+Clemencia Aguero/ +Etelvina, +Antonio &

+Fernando Demelo

6:00 pm (available for intentions)

MONDAY, September 30th

9:00 am +Peter Andersen & +Vincent Tuong/

+Carmen Hernandez Pratto

TUESDAY, October 1st —St. Therese of Lisieux

9:00 am Erlinda Paez

WEDNESDAY, October 2nd—Holy Guardian Angels

9:00 am Rev. Fr. Jojo Kachappilly & Jennifer Fuentes

THURSDAY, October 3rd

9:00 am +Emidgio Mendoza Queñano/ +Anacleta

Tuala/ +Ceriaco Tubog

FRIDAY, October 4th — St. Francis of Assisi

9:00 am +Maximiliano Soto/ all souls in purgatory/

Faz & Natalia Maria Guillen Soto

SATURDAY, October 5th

9:00 am +Vincent Nguyen & +Maria Dinh

5:00 pm +Roberto, +Linda +Diego Liut & all

deceased members of their families/all souls in purgatory



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THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

From the Pastor's Desk!

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Today is the World Day of Migrants and Refugees, a time to reflect on how many of us (parents, grandparents, great grandparents, relatives and/or friends) have left our countries of origin in search of greener pastures here in Canada or elsewhere around the world. It is our day to think about the amazing benefits which we have received in a host land, privileges which we would probably not have fully enjoyed had we or our predecessors remained in their aboriginal countries. The first reading (Numbers 11.25-29) and the Gospel (Mark 9.38-41) remind us to not destroy but build bridges and lift other people up. Today, let us pray in a special way for migrant workers and refugees who must fight daily for their basic human rights. Happy Sunday everyone and I pray you have a great start to the week!

Thanksgiving Food Drive

Help our Parish show gratitude by supporting our Thanksgiving Food Drive! We're collecting nonperishable items like pasta, tuna, beans, spaghetti, and canned soup until Thanksgiving weekend. Your generosity makes a big difference. Thank you!

Thank you for your generosity!

Regular Collection—September 22, 2024
\$7,019.50



Paperless Sunday Giving! Please support your parish by easy online donation which keeps track of everything for tax receipt purposes. Thank you for your generosity!

STA Youth Days!

The STA Youth Group is pleased to announce STA Youth Days, an afterschool program for ages 11-18! Starting this October, we invite youth to fun, food and faith from Tuesdays to Fridays, 3-7pm, for only \$15/month! For more info, email BAmino@archtoronto.org or check out what we do on our Instagram page at [@sta.youthministry!](https://www.instagram.com/sta.youthministry/) Register now and scan here ->



BIG NEWS! ARCHBISHOP LEO VISITS STA PARISH!

Our new Archbishop, His Grace Francis Leo will visit Sunday, **December 1st**, to preside over the solemn trilingual Mass at 12pm, followed by a parish hall reception. We warmly welcome our chief Pastor as he gets to know this fragment of his flock. More information will follow!

All Parish Ministries Planning Evening!

On Thursday, 3rd October at 7pm at the St. Anthony's Room by the west side, next to the main parking lot, we will be having our year-round planning with all the ministry coordinators & group leaders. An email has been sent to them already. Please bring along your schedules and hall use dates between October 2024 to June 2025. Thank you.

2nd Collection for Indigenous Healing and Reconciliation Fund

Our Archbishop, Francis Leo writes: "I would also invite you to prayerfully consider supporting the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund (IRF) through a collection held in parishes on the weekend of October 5/6 next. The fund was established by the Bishops of Canada in 2022 as part of our communal and national reconciliation efforts ... I extend my gratitude to you for sharing your time, talent and treasure in abundance and so faithfully".

Parish Bazaar/Flee Market

On Saturday, 19th October, 9:30am-3pm, STA will have a Bazaar Flee Market to fundraise for ongoing parish renovations. If interested in donating new or gently used items (clothing, beddings, toys, games, bags, utensils, pots, musical instruments, etc.) please bring them to the sacristy or parish office on Friday, 11th October, at the latest. Please note: we do NOT accept furniture! Thank you very much and may God bless you.

ESTA SEMANA EN ST. TOMÁS AQUINO

Desde el Escritorio del Párroco

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo
Hoy es el Día Mundial del Emigrante y del Refugiado, un momento para reflexionar sobre cuántos de nosotros (padres, abuelos, bisabuelos, parientes y/o amigos) hemos dejado nuestros países de origen en busca de pastos más verdes aquí en Canadá o en cualquier otra parte del mundo. Es nuestro día para pensar en los increíbles beneficios que hemos recibido en una tierra de acogida, privilegios de los que probablemente no habríamos disfrutado plenamente si nosotros o nuestros predecesores hubiéramos permanecido en sus países de origen. La primera lectura (Números 11.25-29) y el Evangelio (Marcos 9.38-41) nos recuerdan que no debemos destruir, sino tender puentes y levantar a otras personas. Recemos hoy de manera especial por los trabajadores migrantes y los refugiados, que deben luchar a diario por sus derechos humanos básicos. Feliz domingo a todos y con deseo un buen comienzo de semana.

Colecta de Alimentos de Acción de Gracias

Ayude a nuestra Parroquia a mostrar gratitud apoyando nuestra Colecta de Comida de Acción de Gracias! Estamos recolectando artículos no perecederos como pasta, atún, frijoles, espaguetis y sopa enlatada hasta el fin de semana de Acción de Gracias. Su generosidad hace una gran diferencia. ¡Gracias a todos!

Gracias por su generosidad

Colecta regular — 22 de septiembre de 2024
\$7,019.50



¡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

¡Días de la Juventud STA!

El Grupo de Jóvenes STA se complace en anunciar ¡Días de la Juventud STA, un programa extraescolar para las edades 11-18! A partir de este mes de octubre, invitamos a los jóvenes a la diversión, la comida y la fe de martes a viernes, 3-7pm, por sólo \$15/mes. ¡Para obtener más información, correo electrónico BAmino@archtoronto.org o echa un vistazo a lo que hacemos en nuestra página de Instagram en [@sta.youthministry!](https://www.instagram.com/sta.youthministry/) Regístrese ahora y escanear aquí ->



¡GRANDES NOTICIAS! EL ARZOBISPO LEO VISITA LA PARROQUIA DE STA

Nuestro nuevo Arzobispo, Su Gracia Francis Leo visitará nuestra parroquia el domingo 1 de diciembre de 2024. Presidirá la misa solemne trilingüe a las 12pm, seguida de una recepción en el salón parroquial. Damos una calurosa bienvenida a nuestro Pastor principal, que desea conocer este fragmento de su rebaño. Mas información próximamente.

¡Noche de planificación de todos los ministerios parroquiales!

El jueves, 3 de octubre a las 7pm en la Sala de San Antonio por el lado oeste, al lado del estacionamiento principal, vamos a tener nuestra planificación de todo el año con todos los coordinadores de los ministerios y líderes de grupo. Ya se les ha enviado un correo electrónico. Por favor traigan sus horarios y fechas de uso del salón entre Octubre 2024 a Junio 2025. Gracias.

2ª Colecta para el Fondo de Sanación y Reconciliación Indígena

Nuestro Arzobispo, Francis Leo, escribe: «Les invito también a considerar en oración la posibilidad de apoyar el Fondo de Reconciliación Indígena (IRF) a través de una colecta que se celebrará en las parroquias el fin de semana del 5/6 de octubre próximo. El fondo fue establecido por los Obispos de Canadá en 2022 como parte de nuestros esfuerzos de reconciliación comunal y nacional... Extiendo mi gratitud a ustedes por compartir su tiempo, talento y tesoro en abundancia y tan fielmente».

Bazar/Mercado Parroquial

El sábado, 19 de octubre, 9:30am a 3pm STA tendrá un Bazar-Mercado para recaudar fondos para las renovaciones en curso de la parroquia. Si está interesado en donar artículos nuevos o poco usados (ropa, ropa de cama, juguetes, juegos, bolsas, utensilios, ollas, instrumentos musicales, etc.) por favor tráigalos a la sacristía o a la oficina parroquial el viernes 11 de octubre a más tardar. Atención: ¡NO aceptamos muebles! Muchas gracias y que Dios os bendiga.

ALL ABOUT FAITH

October 1: Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor—Memorial



Reflection: For more than a century, Saint Thérèse of Lisieux, also known as “The Little Flower,” has captivated countless minds and hearts. Her simple and pure heart burned with a deep love for our Lord, and that love overflowed into the lives of many. She daily inspired those who knew her, and she continues to inspire those who read her story. Just before her fifteenth birthday, after overcoming many obstacles, Thérèse received permission from the Bishop of Bayeux to be received into the Carmelite convent. She formally entered as a postulant on April 9, 1888, at the age of fifteen. She embraced religious life and lived it with fervor and devotion, making her temporary vows on January 10, 1889, and her final vows on September 24, 1890. For the next seven years, Sister Thérèse lived the hidden and holy life of a Carmelite nun. As we honor this saint who has captivated the hearts and minds of so many, ponder the importance of family life. Some families are broken and divided; others are graced as schools of love. Saint Thérèse was blessed to be raised in a family that formed her deeply in the love of God and others. Allow her soul to touch yours by getting to know her through her writings. Seek her intercession so that she can fulfill her promise that her “Heaven will be spent doing good on earth.”

Prayer: Saint Thérèse, as a child you fell in love with God while living within the school of love that was your family. Your love grew so intense that God took you to Himself at a young age, to be with Him forever. Please pray for me, that I will discover the same intensity of love that you did, so that I will also share in the glory in which you now share. Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus and the Holy Face, pray for me. Jesus, I trust in You. .
—My Catholic Life

40 Days for Life Toronto

Wednesday, September 25, 2024 07:00 AM -

Sunday, November 03, 2024 07:00 PM

811 Lawrence Ave. W., Toronto



Our mission is to organize a peaceful campaign of fasting and prayer for 40 consecutive days at 50 meters from an abortion facility where we will become a visible sign to protect life.

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[Check Out Event](#)

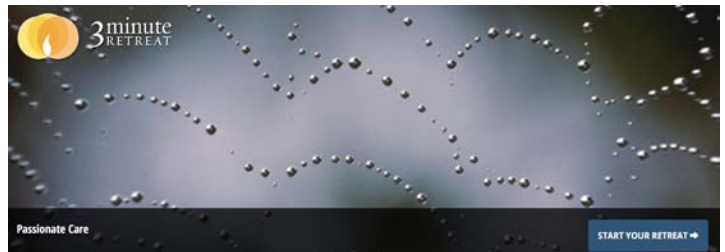
Why Our Lady of Merced is the devotion you need



The word "merced" means grace, benefit, mercy. The Order of Mercedarians promoted devotion to Our Lady under this title because of their specific charism to ransom prisoners. In English, her title is translated as Our Lady of Mercy or Our Lady of Ransom.

St. Peter Nolasco founded the Mercedarians in 1218. He founded the order "in response to a request made by the Blessed Virgin during an apparition on August 1, 1218," according to the University of Dayton. "Members of this order took a special vow to act as hostages, if necessary, to free Christian captives whose faith was in danger from the Moors."

[Read More](#)



3 Minute Retreat Passionate Care

Psalm 8:4-6

When I see your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and stars that you set in place—What are humans that you are mindful of them, mere mortals that you care for them? Yet you have made them little less than a god, crowned them with glory and honor.

[English](#)

[Español](#)

LIVING YOUR FAITH

"If your hand causes you to sin, chop it off"?



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

[Children's Video](#)

**Bible & Beer - "Laudato Si' and the Call to Action:
Caring for Our Common Home"**

Tuesday, October 01, 2024 07:00 PM - 08:30 PM

St. Patrick's Church, 137 McCaul St., Toronto



Join us as we reflect on the words of scripture as they relate the liturgical season of the year to the experience of our lives and journey of faith. As the Season of Creation concludes, we will introduce Pope Francis' Laudato Si and explore its relevance for young adults today. This gathering will include reflection and discussion on how all creation is interconnected and that we have a responsibility to protect our common home.

Presenter: Sister MaryAnne Francalanza, fcJ

[Check Event Here](#)

**Pope at Angelus:
Everything changes when you truly know the Lord**



Recounting the Gospel of today's liturgy when Jesus asks his disciples, "But who do you say that I am?," Pope Francis recalled how Peter answered the Lord, saying "You are the Christ." He answered perfectly, the Pope observed, but moments later when Jesus speaks about the suffering and death He must suffer, Peter objects to it and the Lord strongly rebukes him, saying, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not on the side of God, but of men." While Peter answered correctly before, his way of thinking was still that of "men," the Pope explained, as he he wanted a strong and victorious Messiah, one who cannot suffer and die.

[Read More](#)

How to Pray the Litany of Humility



We've all heard of the nearly infamous prayer, the Litany of Humility, before. But is there a danger in praying this litany with the wrong intentions? Fr. Mark-Mary shares some ways of discerning and approaching a desire to grow in humility and overcome pride with a lasting sense of being loved by God as you are.

[Watch Video](#)

"Holiness consists simply in doing God's will, and being just what God wants us to be."

– St. Therese of Lisieux

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