

St. Thomas Aquinas

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH



October 6th, 2024 | Twenty Seventh 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.

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Llamar a la oficina con **un año** de anticipación.

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



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PASTOR Fr. Patrick Ezimora C.C.E.
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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Eucharistic Adoration: 9:30am - 10am
on Fridays and 7:30 pm on First Fridays

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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

*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!*

October 5th to 12th, 2024 MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, October 5th

9:00 am Steven Lopez Rodas/ Thanksgiving of Legion of Mary/ +Vincent Nguyen & +Maria Dinh/ +Jose Balenzoga Sr.

5:00 pm +Roberto, +Linda +Diego Liut & all deceased members of their families/all souls in purgatory

SUNDAY, October 6th

9:00 am +Francia Gallego / +Vincent Nguyen & +Maria Dinh / Sofia Grace Adorio

10:30 am +Sally Belli & +Antenore Belli

12:00 pm (available for intentions)

2:00 pm +Miriam Ramos/ +Manuel Conde

6:00 pm (available for intentions)

MONDAY, October 7th — Our Lady of the Rosary

9:00 am +Vito & +Santa Mossa/ +Vincent Nguyen & +Maria Dinh

TUESDAY, October 8th

9:00 am +Vincent Nguyen & +Maria Dinh

WEDNESDAY, October 9th

9:00 am +Primitivo Rueda Salvador/ +Vincent Nguyen & +Maria Dinh/ +Sabina Alvarez/ Martin Castillo Velez

THURSDAY, October 10th

9:00 am +Cristina Duran/ +Francisca Gutierrez

FRIDAY, October 11th — St. John XXIII

9:00 am +Elizabeth Majoros/ + Marcy Barrios de Lopez

SATURDAY, October 12th

9:00 am +Peter Andersen & +Vincent Tuong

5:00 pm +Claudio Alejado/ +Vincenzo Tuzi/+ Ana de Dios Giraldo/ +Joao Da Silva/ +Democrito & Guadalupe Estonina



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THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

From the Pastor's Desk!

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Happy New month everyone! Here are the readings of this weekend: Genesis 2.7.15.18-24 (First Reading); Psalm 128; Hebrews 2.9-11 (Second Reading) and Mark 10.2-16 (Gospel). You know you can follow the readings from your own personal Bible, right? The three readings remind us of God's original intention for creating us. Formed from the dust of the ground, human beings were created male and female, equal partners in the mission to imitate their Creator Lord who is Love, and who, when mankind has fallen into the disgrace of sin, division and mutual domination, reconciles us with God and with one another through Jesus Christ, the Image of the invisible God and by the power of the Holy Spirit. Let us say a prayer today for broken marriages and fragmented families. Happy Sunday everyone! Amen.

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 29, 2024
\$4,665.00



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 ->



Thanksgiving Hot Meal @ Food Bank!

Thanks to the generous donation of our benefactors, our food bank will be giving out hot meals and other specials on the Saturday before Thanksgiving. May the Lord bless and reward our donors and volunteers most plentifully. Amen.

CWL Fall Regional Meeting & Installation

Our parish CWL will be having their fall regional meeting on Thursday, October 17th at 7:00pm. It will begin with the Mass, followed by a meeting and installation of the new executives of STA CWL branch. Please join us for God and for Canada.

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! Our parish KofC will be selling BBQ meats, hot dogs, and similar things. Thank you very much and may God bless you.

Parish Annual Headcount

Our parish annual Headcount will take place for two weekends, October 19/20 and October 26/27. The purpose of the count is for the Archdiocese of Toronto to keep an accurate annual record of Mass attendance or receive holy communion at home or in the hospitals across its vast territory. The parish ushers will take care of it at some point during the Mass. Thank you for your cooperation.

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!

ESTA SEMANA EN ST. TOMÁS AQUINO

Desde el Escritorio del Párroco

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

¡Feliz mes nuevo a todos! He aquí las lecturas de este fin de semana: Génesis 2.7.15.18-24 (Primera Lectura); Salmo 128; Hebreos 2.9-11 (Segunda Lectura) y Marcos 10.2-16 (Evangelio). Sabes que puedes seguir las lecturas desde tu Biblia personal, ¿verdad? Las tres lecturas nos recuerdan la intención original de Dios al crearnos. Formados del polvo de la tierra, los seres humanos fueron creados varón y mujer, compañeros iguales en la misión de imitar a su Señor Creador que es Amor, y que, cuando la humanidad ha caído en la desgracia del pecado, la división y la dominación mutua, nos reconcilia con Dios y entre nosotros por medio de Jesucristo, Imagen de Dios invisible y por el poder del Espíritu Santo. Recemos hoy por los matrimonios rotos y las familias fragmentadas. ¡Feliz domingo a todos! Amén.

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 — 29 de septiembre de 2024
\$4,665.00



¡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

¡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 ->



¡Comida caliente de Acción de Gracias en el Banco de Alimentos!

Gracias a la generosa donación de nuestros benefactores, nuestro banco de alimentos repartirá comidas calientes y otros especiales el sábado antes de Acción de Gracias. Que el Señor bendiga y recompense abundantemente a nuestros donantes y voluntarios. Amén.

CWL Reunión Regional de Otoño e Instalación

Nuestra parroquia CWL tendrá su reunión regional de otoño el jueves 17 de octubre a las 7:00 pm. Comenzará con la Misa, seguida de una reunión e instalación de los nuevos ejecutivos de la rama STA CWL. Por favor acompañenos por Dios y por Canadá.

Bazar/Mercado Parroquial

El sábado, 19 de octubre, de 9:30am a 3:00pm, 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! Nuestro KofC parroquial venderá carne a la barbacoa, perritos calientes y cosas similares. Muchas gracias y que Dios os bendiga.

Recuento Anual Parroquial

El recuento anual de nuestra parroquia tendrá lugar durante dos fines de semana, el 19/20 de octubre y el 26/27 de octubre. El propósito del recuento es que la Archidiócesis de Toronto mantenga un registro anual exacto de la asistencia a misa o recibir la sagrada comunión en casa o en los hospitales a través de su vasto territorio. Los ujieres de la parroquia se encargarán de ello en algún momento de la misa. Gracias por su colaboración.

¡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.

ALL ABOUT FAITH

October 7: Our Lady of the Rosary—Memorial



Reflection: In the twelfth and thirteenth centuries, the Albigensian heresy was flourishing in southern France. The Albigensians were Christian dualists who believed the Old Testament God was the source of the material world, which was evil, and the New Testament God was the

source of the spiritual realm that was good. They rejected the sacraments and promoted extreme asceticism as a way of rejecting the material world. In 1203, Saint Dominic was traveling through southern France on a diplomatic mission when he encountered this grave heresy. In the two decades to follow, he devoted himself wholeheartedly to rooting out this heresy through preaching and debates. Legend has it that at some point, frustrated with the difficulties he was facing in that mission, he retreated for a few days of prayer and fasting to beseech Our Lady for guidance. Our Lady appeared to him, giving him the Rosary, revealing the mysteries to be meditated upon during the fifteen decades, and exhorting him to preach the mysteries and to pray the decades as a spiritual weapon. The word “Rosary” comes from the Latin *rosarium*, which means “rose garden.” Each Hail Mary is a spiritual rose; together, they make up the garden of roses. Saint Dominic did as Our Lady instructed him and became quite successful in converting the heretics.

Prayer: Our Lady of the Rosary, you entrusted this holy prayer to Saint Dominic, and through him to the world. You are always attentive to the prayers of the Rosary and never fail to pour forth God’s grace in response. Please pray for me, that I will more deeply comprehend the power of the Rosary and will never fail in my duty to pray it every day. Our Lady of the Rosary, 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

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[Check Out Event](#)

Need a bit more courage? October’s saint is for you



St. Thérèse of Lisieux is one of those saints who is famous for being very personally involved in the lives of those who love her. There are other saints known for that: Padre Pio, St. Joseph, St. Anthony, and St. Jude come to mind as saints who time and again are called upon by their devotees, and who show their influence in direct ways -- such as helping someone grow in the faith, sell a home, find a lost object, or find an answer to a seemingly hopeless case. St. Thérèse, the Carmelite nun from Lisieux, is one of those saints who comes through for her spiritual children with signs of love, such that those who seek her intercession find her help unmistakable and life-changing.

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3 Minute Retreat Our Actions Speak

Luke 10:2

He said to them, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest."

[English](#)

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LIVING YOUR FAITH

Why is marriage important?



Ordinary Time 27B

[Children's Video](#)

Men & Women Ignatian Retreat - Open Wide Our Doors - Pope Francis's insights on Mercy
Friday, October 18, 2024 07:00 PM -
Sunday, October 20, 2024 01:30 PM
Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre



Silent Ignatian Retreat for Men and Women. OPEN WIDE OUR DOORS. Pope Francis's insights on MERCY. Facilitated by Fr. Kevin Kelly, SJ. Retreat begins Friday evening, arrival 7 p.m. and runs until Sunday with lunch. The suggested offering is \$260 per person. This includes your two night's accommodation, meals, retreat program and spiritual direction. To register or for more information: manresa-canada.ca

[Check Event Here](#)

Pope at Audience: Against the devil's deception, Jesus protects us



The Lord protects us from being deceived by the devil....

Pope Francis gave this comforting observation during his Wednesday morning General Audience in St. Peter's Square, while, at the same time, urging the faithful to "never dialogue with the devil." As he continued his catechesis series on the Holy Spirit, he turned this week to the Gospel account of Jesus' temptations in the desert.

The Pope recalled a Church Father's observation that once Christ, on the Cross, "defeated forever the power of the 'prince of this world', the devil was "bound, like a dog on a chain; he cannot bite anyone, except he who, braving the danger, goes near him..."

[Read More](#)

Hopeless?



Fr. Mike offers insights on how to combat despair. If you feel like you've tried everything, see no way out, or think nothing matters, Fr. Mike reminds you of the true meaning of hope. He explains that we can always rely on God's presence. Choosing hope means choosing to act with courage, even if that victory is as simple as getting out of bed. Finally, he reminds us that one of the best ways to fight despair is to bring that hopelessness to God in Confession.

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*"The Lord never tires of forgiving. It is we who tire of asking for forgiveness."
— Pope Francis*

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