

# St. Thomas Aquinas

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH



October 13th, 2024 | Twenty Eight 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

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Llamar a la oficina con **tres meses** de anticipación.

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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

*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 12<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, October 12<sup>th</sup>

**9:00 am** +Vincent Nguyen & +Maria Dinh/+Martha Mendoza/  
*In thanksgiving of the Holy Family, all saints and all blesseds & Blessed Trinity*  
**5:00 pm** +Vincenzo Tuzi/+Ana de DiosGiraldo/ +Democristo &  
*Guadalupe Estonina/ +Joao Da Silva/ +Eric Vinluan, +Danilo*  
*Agdales & +Hermina Oafericua/ +Francisco Salmaeda*

### SUNDAY, October 13<sup>th</sup>

**9:00 am** +Francia Gallego/ +Fr. Aguedo Palomo SDB/  
*+Frederick Segriff/ Gabriella Kim*  
**10:30 am** +Francesco e Ida Toter/ +Antonio Greco e anime  
*del purgatorio/ per tutti i defunti della famiglia Andreatta/*  
*+Franca Lombardi/ +Adolfo Lio*  
**12:00 pm** +Armido & Anne Marie Cerato/ +Antonio Vettese/  
*+Maria Clotilde Barros & +Adelino Mouta Reis Gomes/ +Enriqueta Tinguha*  
**2:00 pm** +Ana de Dios Giraldo / +Juana Ramos  
**6:00 pm** +Pasquale & all deceased members of Sacco & Stranges &  
*Mastroianni & Villella families and all souls in purgatory/ In*  
*thanksgiving of the Holy Family, all saints and all blesseds & Blessed Trinity*

### MONDAY, October 14<sup>th</sup>

**9:00 am** +Corazon Mercado Salvador/ +Peter Andersen &  
*+Vincent Tuong*

### TUESDAY, October 15<sup>th</sup> — St. Teresa of Avila

**9:00 am** +Vincent Nguyen & +Maria Dinh/+Claudio Alejado/  
*+Teresa de Jesus Cornejo, +Simon Cordero/ Leilah Isabel Castillo*

### WEDNESDAY, October 16<sup>th</sup>

**9:00 am** +Rev. Fr. Juan Triviño/ +Francisco Quijada/ +Salvatore  
*Adelina, +Gianni Romanyszyn, +Carmene D'Ambrosio & +Mario*  
*Guagiardi/ Adela Flamenco*

### THURSDAY, October 17<sup>th</sup> — St. Ignatius of Antioch

**9:00 am** +Miguel Adalberto Gomez/ Gerardo Silva

### FRIDAY, October 18<sup>th</sup> — St. Luke

**9:00 am** Christina Brown/ +Evangelista & +Felix Chevez/ Quadrini Family  
**7:00 pm** Memorial Mass—Gregorio Garieri

### SATURDAY, October 19<sup>th</sup>

**9:00 am** +Vincent Nguyen & +Maria Dinh/ Chloe Do  
**5:00** +Giovanni Tramontin



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# THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

## From the Pastor's Desk!

Dear parishioners of STA Parish,

I hope you are having a great Sunday. The readings of this weekend: Wisdom 7.7-11 (First Reading); Psalm 90; Hebrews 4.12-13 (Second Reading) and Mark 10.17-30 (Gospel). Hopefully, you have your Missal or Bible. Just a brief reflection! You have probably been in that situation where someone asks a wrong question or misses out on an important answer. In the Gospel reading of today, a person asked Jesus what he must do to inherit eternal life. Then, we were told that Jesus loved the man's efforts to go to heaven. However, when our Lord invited him to something higher, he resisted because "he had many possessions". Is there a limit to our becoming better individuals? Let us pray for continuous conversion. Enjoy your Sunday and have a wonderful 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—October 6, 2024*  
**\$5,022.40**



**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](mailto: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 ->



## Archbishop Francis Leo thanks you!

May God bless you and your family and friends, your community and loved ones on this Thanksgiving weekend. Know that I give thanks to God for all of you, for the wonderful People that make up the Archdiocese of Toronto and I am grateful for all that you do to show the Face of Christ in new and life-giving ways to those the Lord providentially places on our path. Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, pray for us and make us truly grateful by God's grace.

## 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, 19<sup>th</sup> 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, 11<sup>th</sup> 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.

## GREAT NEWS! ARCHBISHOP LEO BECOMES FRANCIS CARDINAL LEO

Pope Francis has announced that the Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto, the Most Rev. Francis Leo will be elevated to the College of Cardinals alongside 20 others. The consistory will take place in Rome on Sunday, December 8. Let us thank God for his boundless grace to our beloved Archbishop Francis Leo. Please keep him and our Archdiocese in your prayers. Ad alitiores!

# ESTA SEMANA EN ST. TOMÁS AQUINO

## Desde el Escritorio del Párroco

Queridos feligreses de la Parroquia STA,

Espero que estén teniendo un gran domingo. Las lecturas de este fin de semana: Sabiduría 7.7-11 (Primera Lectura); Salmo 90; Hebreos 4.12-13 (Segunda Lectura) y Marcos 10.17-30 (Evangelio). Espero que tengáis vuestro Misal o Biblia. Una breve reflexión Seguramente te has encontrado en esa situación en la que alguien hace una pregunta equivocada o se le escapa una respuesta importante. En la lectura del Evangelio de hoy, una persona preguntó a Jesús qué debía hacer para heredar la vida eterna. Luego, se nos dijo que Jesús amaba los esfuerzos del hombre por ir al cielo. Sin embargo, cuando el Señor le invitó a algo más elevado, se resistió porque «tenía muchas posesiones». ¿Hay algún límite para que nos convirtamos en mejores personas? Recemos por una conversión continua. Disfruten del domingo y pasen una buena 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 — 6 de octubre de 2024  
\$5022.40



¡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](mailto: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 ->



## El arzobispo Francis Leo les da las gracias

Que Dios os bendiga a vosotros y a vuestras familias y amigos, a vuestra comunidad y a vuestros seres queridos en este fin de semana de Acción de Gracias. Sepan que doy gracias a Dios por todos ustedes, por el maravilloso Pueblo que conforma la Arquidiócesis de Toronto y estoy agradecido por todo lo que hacen para mostrar el Rostro de Cristo de maneras nuevas y vivificantes a aquellos que el Señor providencialmente pone en nuestro camino. Nuestra Señora del Santo Rosario, ruega por nosotros y haznos verdaderamente agradecidos por la gracia de Dios.

## 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 acompáñenos 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.

## UNA GRAN NOTICIA EL ARZOBISPO LEO SE CONVIERTE EN EL CARDENAL FRANCISCO LEO

El Papa Francisco ha anunciado que el Arzobispo Metropolitano de Toronto, Mons. Francis Leo, será elevado al Colegio Cardenalicio junto a otras 20 personas. El consistorio tendrá lugar en Roma el domingo 8 de diciembre. Demos gracias a Dios por su gracia sin límites a nuestro querido Arzobispo Francis Leo. Por favor, ténganle a él y a nuestra Archidiócesis en sus oraciones. ¡Ad altiores!

# ALL ABOUT FAITH

## October 18: Saint Luke the Evangelist—Feast



**Reflection:** Luke is credited with writing the Gospel of Saint Luke and the Acts of the Apostles. According to the fourth-century historian, Eusebius, Luke “was of Antiochian parentage and a physician by profession, and...was especially intimate with Paul and well acquainted with the rest of the apostles” (3.4). Saint Paul identifies Luke in several of his epistles as being his close companion and as a physician (see Colossians 4:14; Philemon 1:24; 2 Timothy 4:11). It should be noted that only Luke includes details from the life of our Blessed Mother. Her Magnificat, experience at the Annunciation, and Presentation in the Temple suggest he either had an intimate knowledge of these events directly from the Blessed Mother or was privileged to receive a reliable and detailed account of them from another source. There is also an ancient tradition that Saint Luke was an artist who painted the first icon of the Blessed Virgin Mary with the Child Jesus. As we honor this great evangelist, ponder the fact that while he wrote down this orderly account of the life of Christ and the early Church, little did Luke know that his writings would be among the most widely distributed writings in the history of the world and would be one of the primary instruments of the salvation of countless souls

*Prayer: Saint Luke, you were a faithful servant of Saint Paul and a devout worshiper of Jesus, your Lord. You placed before God all your natural gifts, your education, time, and energy so that He could use you for the fulfillment of His holy will and the proclamation of the Gospel. Please pray for me, that I will always devote myself without hesitation to the fulfillment of God’s will, so that God can use me as He will to draw many to Christ. Saint Luke, pray for me. Jesus, I trust in You.*  
—My Catholic Life

**40 Days for Life Toronto**  
**Wednesday, September 25, 2024 07:00 AM -**  
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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.

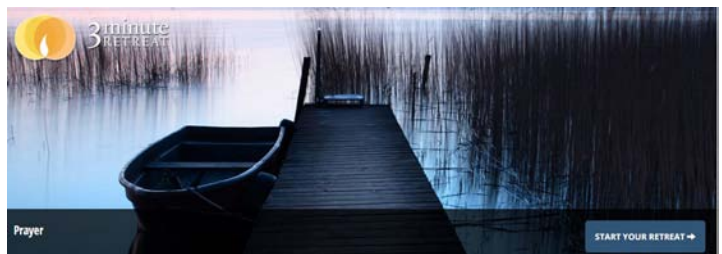
The intercessory prayer of those 40 day's vigils has resulted in 24.834 lives saved worldwide since 2007. Join us to protect LIFE!

[Check Out Event](#)

## APOSTOLIC LETTER ROSARIUM VIRGINIS MARIAE

The Rosary of the Virgin Mary, which gradually took form in the second millennium under the guidance of the Spirit of God, is a prayer loved by countless Saints and encouraged by the Magisterium. Simple yet profound, it still remains, at the dawn of this third millennium, a prayer of great significance, destined to bring forth a harvest of holiness. It blends easily into the spiritual journey of the Christian life, which, after two thousand years, has lost none of the freshness of its beginnings and feels drawn by the Spirit of God to “set out into the deep” (duc in altum!) in order once more to proclaim, and even cry out, before the world that Jesus Christ is Lord and Saviour, “the way, and the truth and the life” (Jn 14:6), “the goal of human history and the point on which the desires of history and civilization turn”. The Rosary, though clearly Marian in character, is at heart a Christocentric prayer. In the sobriety of its elements, it has all the depth of the Gospel message in its entirety, of which it can be said to be a compendium.

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## 3 Minute Retreat Prayer

*Luke 11:13*

*If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the holy Spirit to those who ask him?*

[English](#)

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## LIVING YOUR FAITH

Can we follow Jesus?



Ordinary Time 28B

[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](http://manresa-canada.ca)

[Check Event Here](#)

What Consolation Does God's Answer To Job Offer To Those Who Are Suffering?



Prior to the coming of Christ, the Old Testament book of Job represented humanity's greatest possible answer to the problem of suffering. Even today, the book continues to offer many profound lessons for how we ought to approach the trials and ordeals which crop up in our lives, not least because the figure of Job himself points forward to the person of Christ. But what are those lessons exactly? Can the book of Job be reduced to "Ours not to reason why, ours but to do and die," in Alfred Tennyson's memorable phrase? Is this all the Old Testament has to offer to people in pain?

Here we must answer in the negative. Although the book of Job has a lot to say about the vast chasm between our understanding and God's, still there is much more going on in the story.

[Read More](#)

3 Levels of Healing (and Where to Start)



Just like there are different levels of maintenance we have to keep up with in our homes, there are different levels of maintenance in our spiritual lives. This can be delicate, difficult, and sometimes messy work. So, while Fr. Mark-Mary is not a mental health professional, he's here to share a couple tips and fundamentals that will help anyone get back on track.

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*"With God nothing is empty of meaning"*  
– St. Irenaeus

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