

St. Thomas Aquinas

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH



November 10th, 2024 | Thirty-second 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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CATECHISM & RCIA

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

SICK CALLS

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PASTOR Fr. Patrick Ezimora C.C.E.

ASSOCIATE PASTOR 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 - 11am

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

November 2024 MASS INTENTIONS

For the whole month of November, we have no specific Mass intentions. All the Masses will be offered for our faithful relatives and friends who died since the past year.

Parishioners are welcome to write down the names of their dearly beloved dead in the "All Souls" folder or envelopes by the altar. They may also make an offering in the "All Souls" box by the left corner of the sanctuary.



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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 follow with your Missal or Bible. Just a brief reflection! Does it not take a lot of faith to entrust something as precious as your heart, mind and decisions to someone else? The first reading and the Gospel narrate a beautiful story about two widows. The first had little or nothing to live on, yet she shared her only meal with the famished man of God, and the second put her last penny in the collection basket. Here is what the two widows really have in common: faith in God! Their faith allowed them to offer the best homage possible, their life. What can I offer to the Lord this week? Enjoy your Sunday and have a wonderful week!

Thank you for your generosity!

Regular Collection—November 3, 2024
\$6045.80



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!

Christmas Novena/Simbang Gabi 2024!

Here it comes again... a wonderful opportunity to prepare ourselves for birthday of our Lord Jesus Christ through nine (9) days of prayer and fellowship with parishioners (**Dec. 15-23**). If you would like to sponsor or co-sponsor any of those days, please contact Laurence Sabay, the Coordinator or call the parish office at 416-782-8943. Thank you.

**Advent, Christmas & New Year
Schedule! Coming soon...!**

REQUIEM MASS

Our Parish will be celebrating a Requiem Mass for all the faithful departed who had their funeral Mass at our parish during the past 12 months. This Requiem Mass will take place on **Thursday, November 21, 2024 at 7:00 PM**. We cordially invite all the families of our parish, especially all those whose relatives passed away during the course of this year to join us for this special Mass.

Mass Intentions in November

Please note that for the whole month of November, we have no specific Mass intentions. All the Masses will be offered for our departed loved ones who died since the past year. All souls envelopes and folders are available on the tables in front of the Church. Please write the names of your deceased and insert your offerings in the All Souls donation box. Thank you!

Archbishop Francis Leo visits STA Parish!

As we already know, our Archbishop Francis Leo, the Cardinal Elect, will be visiting our parish on Sunday, 1st December for 12pm trilingual Mass, followed by refreshment in the parish hall. In lieu of food donations, we ask for your financial support through designated envelopes. Tax receipts will be made available. The income will go toward the reception and gifts for the Archbishop. Let us join hands in welcoming our new chief Shepherd and Cardinal Elect, Archbishop Francis Leo.

The Founder and Moderator General of the CCE visits STA Parish!

Fr. John Egbulefu CCE is the Nigerian priest who founded the Congregation of Christ the Emmanuel (CCE), the religious order to which Fr. Patrick, Fr. Peter and Fr. Charles belong. Fr. John spent three decades in Rome teaching Systematic Theology of the Sacraments. Now retired, he directs the affairs of the young missionary religious institute which is spreading gradually across Canada and the world. Let us keep Fr. John and the Emmanuelite priests in our prayers.

ESTA SEMANA EN ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

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). Esperemos que las sigáis con vuestro Misal o Biblia. ¡Sólo una breve reflexión! ¿No hace falta mucha fe para confiar a otro algo tan precioso como tu corazón, tu mente y tus decisiones? La primera lectura y el Evangelio narran una hermosa historia sobre dos viudas. La primera tenía poco o nada para vivir, pero compartió su única comida con el hambriento hombre de Dios, y la segunda puso su último céntimo en el cesto de la colecta. Esto es lo que realmente tienen en común las dos viudas: ¡la fe en Dios! Su fe les permitió ofrecer el mejor homenaje posible, su vida. ¿Qué puedo ofrecer al Señor esta semana? Disfruta del domingo y que tengas una semana maravillosa.

Gracias por su generosidad

Colecta regular — 3 de noviembre de 2024
\$6045.80



¡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!

¡Novena de Navidad/Simbang Gabi 2024!

Aquí viene otra vez... una maravillosa oportunidad para prepararnos para el cumpleaños de nuestro Señor Jesucristo a través de nueve (9) días de oración y compañerismo con los feligreses (**Dic. 15-23**). Si desea patrocinar o copatrocinar alguno de esos días, póngase en contacto con Laurence Sabay, la Coordinadora o llame a la oficina parroquial al 416-782-8943. Muchas gracias.

Adviento, Navidad y Año Nuevo
Calendario Próximamente...

MISA DE REQUIEM

Nuestra Parroquia celebrará una Misa de Réquiem por todos los fieles difuntos que tuvieron su misa funeral en nuestra parroquia durante los últimos 12 meses. Esta Misa de Réquiem tendrá lugar el **jueves 21 de noviembre de 2023 a las 7:00 PM**. Invitamos cordialmente a todas las familias de nuestra parroquia, especialmente a todas aquellas cuyos familiares fallecieron en el transcurso de este año, a que nos acompañen en esta Misa especial.

Intenciones de Misa en noviembre

Les informamos que para todo el mes de noviembre, no tenemos intenciones específicas de Misa. Todas las Misas serán ofrecidas por nuestros seres queridos difuntos que fallecieron desde el año pasado. Los sobres y carpetas para las almas están disponibles en las mesas frente a la Iglesia. Por favor escriba los nombres de sus difuntos e introduzca sus ofrendas en la caja de donaciones de Todas las Almas. Muchas gracias.

¡El Arzobispo Francis Leo visita la Parroquia de STA!

Como ya sabemos, nuestro arzobispo Francis Leo, cardenal electo, visitará nuestra parroquia el domingo 1 de diciembre para la misa trilingüe de las 12h, seguida de un refrigerio en el salón parroquial. En lugar de donaciones de alimentos, pedimos su apoyo financiero a través de sobres designados. Se facilitarán recibos de impuestos. Los ingresos se destinarán a la recepción y regalos para el Arzobispo. Unamos nuestras manos para dar la bienvenida a nuestro nuevo Pastor Principal y Cardenal Electo, el Arzobispo Francis Leo.

¡El Fundador y Moderador General de la CCE visita la Parroquia STA!

El P. John Egbulefu CCE es el sacerdote nigeriano que fundó la Congregación de Cristo Emmanuel (CCE), la orden religiosa a la que pertenecen el P. Patrick, el P. Peter y el P. Charles. El P. John pasó tres décadas en Roma enseñando Teología Sistemática de los Sacramentos. Ahora, jubilado, dirige los asuntos del joven instituto religioso misionero que se extiende poco a poco por Canadá y el mundo. Mantengamos al P. John y a los sacerdotes Emmanuelitas en nuestras oraciones.

ALL ABOUT FAITH

November 11: St. Martin of Tours— Memorial



Reflection: Saint Martin of Tours has been one of the most revered and loved saints in European history for two primary reasons: he lived a life of heroic sanctity, and someone wrote it all down. Sulpicius Severus is believed to have been a wealthy man who converted to Christianity through the ministry of Bishop Martin. He then became a priest, interviewed Bishop Martin before he died, and wrote a book about Martin's incredible life. The book was copied over and over again and became one of the standard texts for religious and laity alike for many centuries. Numerous churches and monasteries bear Martin's name as a result of his popularity. Though Saint Martin of Tours lived a life of heroic virtue and deep prayer, his life and veneration reveal the importance of sharing the stories of the saints with others. After his death, his life has continued to inspire many. As we honor Saint Martin, ponder any ways that God might want to use you as He used Sulpicius Severus, Saint Martin's biographer. Though you might not be called to write a book about a saint you know, consider ways in which you can share the Gospel by learning more about the saints and sharing their stories with others.

Prayer: Saint Martin of Tours, though you were born into a pagan family, God spoke to your heart from an early age, and you listened and responded. Your kindness, deep prayer, and generosity led to your ongoing conversion, making you an inspiration to all. Please pray for me, that I will always listen to God's voice and respond with all my heart. Saint Martin of Tours, pray for me. Jesus, I trust in You.— *My Catholic Life*

Come & See Weekend Discernment Retreat
Friday, November 15, 2024 06:30 PM -
Sunday, November 17, 2024 02:00 PM
St. Augustine's Seminary



The Office of Vocations is hosting a Come & See Weekend Discernment Retreat for single Catholic men 18 years and older, at St. Augustine's Seminary on Friday, Nov. 15, (6:30 p.m.) until Sunday, November 17, (2 p.m.) to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives.

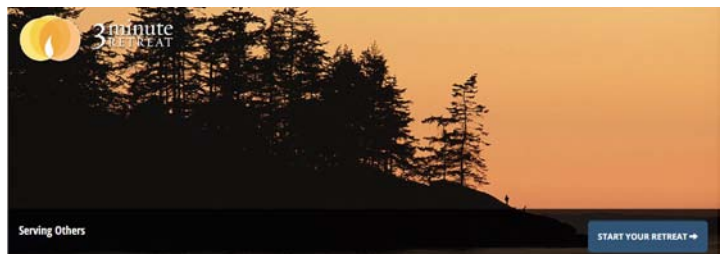
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Does the Bible Say Whether There are People in Hell?



Today many believers and even many theologians and bishops struggle with the idea of an eternal hell. Sometimes those same people will try to reinterpret Scripture according to their own preconceived notions of what it should or shouldn't say. That is a dangerous path to take. While the doctrine of a populated hell may not be one which we would come up with on our own, it is nevertheless a doctrine which we must accept on the authority of Divine Revelation, and it is one repeatedly corroborated by history's greatest saints, scholars, mystics, and apparitions. If we are to remain faithful to Christ, then our theology must be a theology not of Babel, where we work from the ground up according to our own designs, but rather of Pentecost, where we work on the basis of what has been given to us from above. Our theology must always be a received theology, one which builds on the primacy of Sacred Scripture as interpreted through the living Tradition of Holy Mother Church.

[Read More](#)



3 Minute Retreat Serving Others

1 Peter 4:11

Whoever preaches, let it be with the words of God; whoever serves, let it be with the strength that God supplies, so that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.

[English](#)

[Español](#)

LIVING YOUR FAITH

Two Widows! Ordinary Time 32B



Animated Story

[Children's Video](#)

Consecration to Jesus Through Mary on Dec. 12, 2024
Saturday, November 09, 2024 07:00 PM - Thursday,
December 12, 2024 06:00 PM
Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, 694 Weston Rd.



Everyone is invited to consecrate themselves to Jesus through Mary (or to renew their Consecration), according to the teachings of St. Louis de Montfort. Consecration Day will be on Dec. 12, 2024 at 6 p.m., the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and requires a spiritual preparation of 33 days that will begin on Saturday, Nov. 9 at 7 p.m. at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish located at 694 Weston Rd. in Toronto. The preparation material is available in English and Spanish. For more information, please contact the office at 416-767-8658.

[Register Here](#)

From Mary's party to her sorrows: A life just like ours



Mary's joy and sadness has guided me for my entire faith life. Mary's sorrows were the beginning of my return to the faith. I heard the first whispers of an invitation to return to the faith as I looked at a crucifix, with Mary at Christ's feet, on Tepeyac Hill during a summer program in Mexico after my freshman year of college.

Mary is the prime example that those who suffer well are inspiring and that those who suffer poorly are insufferable. You've probably seen it in people you know (or in yourself!): Facing suffering with acceptance makes people beautiful, generous, and life-giving. Meeting suffering with anger and complaining makes people unattractive, selfish, and draining.

[Read More](#)

Did Jesus Really Warn Against Repetition in Prayer?



Does Jesus warn us against repetitive prayers? Does praying the rosary contradict the way Jesus asked us to pray? Why is the rosary even designed that way? Whether you pray the rosary everyday or have never prayed it before, Fr. Mike has some insights from Jesus and his Church regarding repetition in prayer that will change the way you look at prayers like the rosary.

[Watch Video](#)

"Let my will be conformed to Yours in all things. May Your Will be the rule of all my desires and actions."

- St. Gertrude

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