

St. Thomas Aquinas

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH



November 24th, 2024 | Christ the King

SUNDAY MASSES

ENGLISH: Saturday—5:00 pm | Sunday—9:00am | 12:00 pm | 6:00 pm
ITALIAN: Sunday—10:30 am
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WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Saturday 9:00am | First Fridays - 7:00 pm

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 4:00pm or by appt

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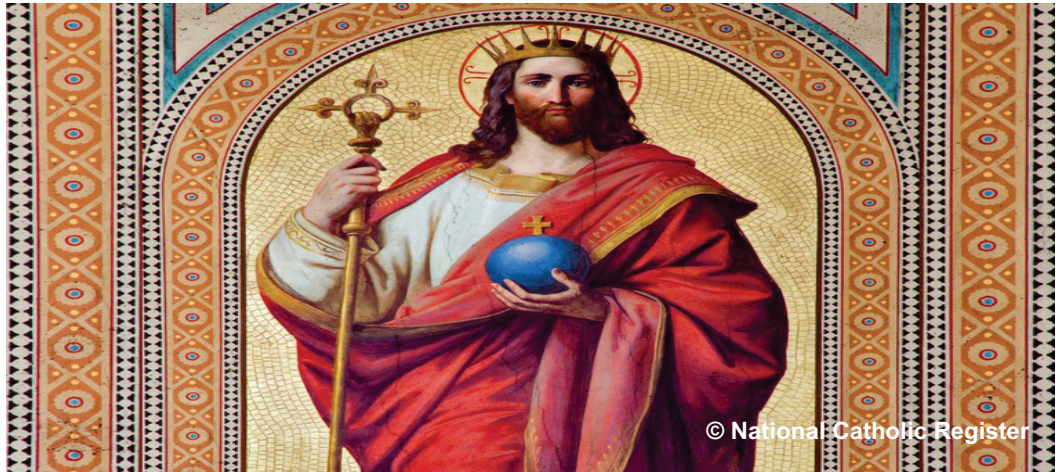
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Please call the office for visits or Communion visitations to the sick.



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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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DEVOTIONS—DEVOCIONES

Holy Rosary: 8:30am on Wednesdays

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.



Follow the latest parish updates: [@stparishto](https://www.instagram.com/stparishto)

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THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear parishioners of STA Parish,

Today is the 34th and last Sunday of the liturgical year B. We celebrate the solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. It is also the World Day of Youth! Here are the Sunday readings: Daniel 7.13-14 (First Reading); Psalm 93; Revelation 1.5-8 (Second Reading) and John 18.33b-37 (Gospel). Hopefully, you have your Missal or Bible. The three readings tell us about Jesus Christ, the King of our lives. Here is what our Archbishop Francis Leo teaches us: "The Kingdom of God is a space. It exists in every home where parents and children love each other. It exists in every region and country that cares for its weak and vulnerable. It exists in every parish that reaches out to the needy". Do you play an active role in making our Lord's Kingdom alive in your parish community? Happy Sunday and I pray you have a great start to the week!

Thank you for your generosity!

Regular Collection—November 17, 2024
\$5463.25



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...!***

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.

Sunday Missals 2024-2025!

As we begin the new liturgical year C, there are missals available behind the Church or in the office for those who wish to buy one for themselves. But we shall also leave some in the pews for Church use only. Great to read & pray along!

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!

Faith Growth Opportunity!

Our parish RCIA program is a wonderful opportunity for you to grow in the knowledge of God, of the Church and of your unique Christian calling in this world. From Wednesday, 20 November until Wednesday, 4 December, you can attend a faith formation interactive session with other parishioners. Venue: Padre Pio Room. Time: 7pm.

ESTA SEMANA EN ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

Del Escritorio del Párroco

Queridos feligreses de la Parroquia STA, Hoy es el 34º y último domingo del año litúrgico B. Celebramos la solemnidad de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Rey del Universo. También es la Jornada Mundial de la Juventud. He aquí las lecturas dominicales: Daniel 7.13-14 (Primera Lectura); Salmo 93; Apocalipsis 1.5-8 (Segunda Lectura) y Juan 18.33b-37 (Evangelio). Espero que tengáis vuestro Misal o Biblia. Las tres lecturas nos hablan de Jesucristo, el Rey de nuestras vidas. He aquí lo que nos enseña nuestro Arzobispo Francisco León: «El Reino de Dios es un espacio. Existe en cada hogar donde padres e hijos se aman. Existe en cada región y país que cuida de sus débiles y vulnerables. Existe en cada parroquia que tiende la mano a los necesitados». ¿Desempeñas un papel activo para que el Reino de nuestro Señor esté vivo en tu comunidad parroquial? Feliz domingo y os deseo un buen comienzo de semana.

Gracias por su generosidad

Colecta regular — 17 de noviembre de 2024
\$5463.25



¡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...

¡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.

Misales dominicales 2024-2025

Al comenzar el nuevo año litúrgico C, hay misales disponibles detrás de la Iglesia o en la oficina para aquellos que deseen comprar uno para sí mismos. Pero también dejaremos algunos en los bancos para uso exclusivo de la Iglesia. Son ideales para leer y rezar.

Intenciones de Misa en noviembre

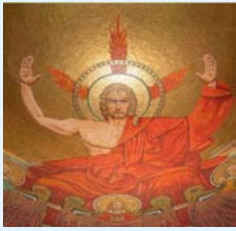
Les informamos que para todo el mes de noviembre, no tenemos intenciones específicas de Misa. Todas las Misas serán ofrecidas por nuestros seres queridos difuntos que fallecieron desde el año pasado. Los sobres y carpetas para las almas están disponibles en las mesas frente a la Iglesia. Por favor escriba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

¡Oportunidad para crecer en la fe!

Nuestro programa parroquial RCIA es una maravillosa oportunidad para que crezcas en el conocimiento de Dios, de la Iglesia y de tu singular vocación cristiana en este mundo. Desde miércoles 20 de noviembre hasta el miércoles 4 de diciembre, puedes asistir a una sesión interactiva de formación en la fe con otros feligreses. Lugar de celebración: Sala Padre Pío. Hora: 7:00 PM

ALL ABOUT FAITH

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe—Solemnity Last Sunday in Ordinary Time



Reflection: Our liturgical year is ordered in such a way as to lead us through the entire mystery of salvation won for us in Christ. Each liturgical year begins with Advent, when we ponder the Incarnation that leads us to the celebration of Jesus' birth at Christmas. Following Christmas we enter into the public ministry of Christ during Ordinary Time, which begins with the feast of His Baptism. In the midst of Ordinary Time, we enter the deepest paschal mystery of Lent and Easter, culminating with the Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Sunday. The Easter Season concludes with Christ's Ascension and Pentecost, the beginning of the Church. Finally, after the rest of Ordinary Time, we come to the great Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, commonly referred to as the Feast of Christ the King. As we celebrate this glorious solemnity, the last Sunday of the Church's liturgical year, deepen your faith in the mystery it celebrates, and strengthen your resolve to embrace the Kingship of Christ in your life, so that through you, His Kingdom will become all the more present in the world all around you.

Prayer: *My glorious King of the Universe, You are perfect in all of Your ways. Your divine Law must reign in my heart and become the purpose of my life. As we honor Your kingship this day, I rededicate myself to You and submit more fully to Your sovereign control of my life. Please do with me what You will, and use me to help build Your Kingdom on earth. Jesus, I trust in You — My Catholic Life*

Advent Retreat with Fr. Boniface Hicks, OSB
Saturday, November 30, 2024 08:30 AM to 04:30 PM
Holy Rosary Parish, 354 St Clair Ave West, Toronto



Do you want to grow closer to God this Advent season? Please join us for a Marian spiritual retreat led by Fr. Boniface Hicks OSB, benedictine monk, author and radio host.

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New Vatican document lists 'grave violations' of human dignity



The Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith's new document '*Dignitas infinita*' took five years to complete, and builds on the papal magisterium of the last decade: from war to poverty, from violence against migrants to violence against women, from abortion to surrogate motherhood to euthanasia, from gender theory to digital violence.

Three chapters offer the foundations for the fourth, which is dedicated to "some grave violations of human dignity". That's the structure of the Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith's new Declaration *Dignitas infinita*, which commemorates the 75th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and reaffirms "the indispensable nature of the dignity of the human person in Christian anthropology "

[Read More](#)



3 Minute Retreat In the Name of the Lord

Luke 19:38

"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord.

[English](#)

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LIVING YOUR FAITH

The Solemnity Christ, King of the Universe!



Animated Story

[Children's Video](#)

**Advent Retreat Tuesday,
December 03, 2024 08:30 AM to 03:00 PM
Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre**



A day of retreat for all during Advent. Cost: \$45 per person Includes coffee, tea, muffins and a hot lunch.

CONTACT: Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre
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[Register Here](#)

Putting others in the Presence of God



Prayer is intercession: God says, "I wanted to make you dependent on one another so that each of you would be my minister ..."

The Letter to the Hebrews hails Jesus the High Priest by declaring that "he is always able to save those who approach God through him, since he forever lives to make intercession for them" (Heb 7:25). Similarly the saints "on whose constant intercession ... we rely for unfailing help" (Eucharistic Prayer III).

[Read More](#)

What Do You Wear to Mass?



Should we wear our best to Mass? Fr. Mike explores the balance between 'coming as you are' and 'putting on your best for the Lord.' He explains that while the state of our hearts ultimately matters most, it's not the only thing that matters. Dressing respectfully for Mass can be a way to honor God, but it should never cover up a lack of sincerity or distract from the true purpose of the Mass. The question to consider is: does my outward appearance reflect the love and reverence in my heart?

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"Christ, has dominion over all creatures, a dominion not seized by violence nor usurped but His, by essence and by nature." - St Cyril of Alexandria

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