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Jun 29th, 2025 | Solemnity of Peter & Paul

SUNDAY MASSES

ENGLISH:

Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday

9:00am | 12:00m | 6:00pm

ITALIAN: Sunday 10:30am

SPANISH: Sunday 2:00Pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Saturday 9:00am

First Fridays 7:30pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Fridays 9:30am - 11:00am

First Fridays 7:30pm

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 4:00pm or by appt.

ANOINTING – UNCIÓN

Every first Saturday of the month at **9:00am**.

El primer sábado de cada mes a las **9.00am**.



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!

CLERGY

PASTOR: Fr. Patrick Ezimora CCE

ASSOCIATE PASTOR: Fr. Benedict Nwamuo, CCE

DEACON: Rev. Mr. Daniel Gana

RESIDENT PRIEST: Fr. Peter Paul CCE

STAFF

Custodian: Felipe Jiménez **Secretary:** Sandra Davila

Cook: Margherita Caruso

CHURCH HOURS

The church is open

Monday to Friday

8:00 am - 12:00pm

Saturdays 8:00am-6:00pm

Sundays 8:00am - 7:00pm

DEVOTIONS

Holy Rosary:

8:30am Mon-Fri before Mass

Our Lady of Perpetual Help:

Wednesdays 9:00am Mass

SICK CALLS

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

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic School

636 Glenholme Ave. Toronto | 416 393-5236

D'Arcy McGee Catholic School

20 Bansley Ave. Toronto | 416-393-5318

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday

9:30am - 12:00m

12:30pm - 4:00pm

CATHOLIC FUNERAL HOMES

Bernardo Funeral Home | 416-789-7661

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FOOD BANK

Tuesday & Saturday

12:00m

BAPTISM - BAUTIZOS

Please call the office, **Three months** in advance.

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

CATECHISM & RCIA

For the Sacraments of Initiation

Baptism, First Communion/Confirmation, please contact the office.

WEDDINGS - BODAS

Please contact the office one year in advance.

LLamar a la oficina con un año de anticipación.



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This Week at St. Thomas Aquinas

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,
Today the Church offers us a special opportunity to celebrate on a Sunday the Feast of the two "decisive" Apostles of Christ and strong pillars of the Church, St. Peter and St. Paul. In their outstanding diversity, their unity of faith, hope and love speaks volumes. On the one hand, St. Peter's inspired knowledge of Christ's divine-human identity laid the foundation and has sustained the Catholic Church ever since. On the other hand, St. Paul's missionary and apostolic zeal has provided the groundwork for the universal presence of the one Church of Christ. Finally, both apostles gave supreme witness to their Lord by shedding their blood for Him. This week, let us ask Saints Peter and Paul to intercede for us. May God bless you!

Thank you for your generosity!

Jun 15, 2025

Regular Collection \$ 5,120.60

Jun 22, 2025

Colecta Regular \$ 4,657.00

Maintenance \$2,365.00

Del Escritorio del Párroco

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,
Hoy la Iglesia nos ofrece una oportunidad especial de celebrar en domingo la fiesta de los dos Apóstoles «decisivos» de Cristo y fuertes pilares de la Iglesia, san Pedro y san Pablo. Dentro de su extraordinaria diversidad, su unidad de fe, esperanza y amor es elocuente. Por una parte, el conocimiento inspirado de San Pedro sobre la identidad divino-humana de Cristo sentó las bases y ha sostenido a la Iglesia católica desde entonces. Por otro lado, el celo misionero y apostólico de San Pablo ha sentado las bases para la presencia universal de la única Iglesia de Cristo. Por último, ambos apóstoles dieron testimonio supremo de su Señor derramando su sangre por Él. Esta semana, pidamos a los santos Pedro y Pablo que intercedan por nosotros. ¡Que Dios les bendiga!

¡Gracias por su generosidad!

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Parish BBQ/Raffle 2025

Our annual summer BBQ/Raffle will happen on Saturday, July 19 from 11am to 4pm. There will be assorted international food to enjoy, money prizes, brand new household items, good music and lively dance. Raffle tickets are available at the parish office!

Parish BBQ/Raffle 2025

Nuestro Asado/barbacoa/refrigerio anual de verano tendrá lugar el sábado 19 de julio de 11.00 a 16.00 horas. Habrá comida internacional variada para disfrutar, premios en metálico, flamantes artículos para el hogar, buena música y baile animado. ¡Los boletos para la rifa están disponibles en la oficina parroquial!

Bulletin Takes Summer Break!

There will be no parish bulletins from July to August. We will resume in September. Thank you for your understanding.

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Office Closed on Saturdays!

On Saturdays of July and August, the parish office will stay closed for holidays.

¡Oficina cerrada los sábados!

Los sábados de julio y agosto, la oficina parroquial permanecerá cerrada por vacaciones.

Canada Day Office Closure

Our parish office will be closed on Monday and Tuesday (June 30 & July 1) for Canada Day long weekend.

Día de Canadá Oficina Cerrada

Nuestra oficina parroquial estará cerrada el lunes y martes (30 de junio y 1 de julio) para el Día de Canadá fin de semana largo.

Youth Ministry Summer Break!

Our Friday Youth Ministry will be on pause for summer break until September. Let us encourage our children to pray and participate at Mass every Sunday.

Pausa de Verano de la Pastoral Juvenil

Nuestro Ministerio Juvenil de los viernes estará en pausa por vacaciones de verano hasta septiembre. Animemos a nuestros niños a rezar y participar en la misa cada domingo.

Bible Study Summer Break!

As participants already know, we have a two-month summer break, July-August, from our Friday Bible Study Session. We will resume in September, God-willing. Let us continue on our own, to deepen familiarity with the word of God.

Estudio Bíblico ¡Vacaciones de verano!

Como los participantes ya saben, tenemos una pausa de verano de dos meses, julio-agosto, de nuestra sesión de Estudio Bíblico de los viernes. Reanudaremos en septiembre, si Dios quiere. Continuemos por nuestra cuenta, para profundizar en la familiaridad con la palabra de Dios.

This Week at St. Thomas Aquinas

MASS INTENTIONS - Jun 28th to Jul 4th 2025

SATURDAY, June 28th – Saturday of the Twelfth Week in Ordinary Time – The Solemnity of The Immaculate Heart of Mary.

9:00 am: +Gloria & Vincent Correa/

5:00pm: +Victor Manuel Carias

SUNDAY, June 29th – Solemnity of Peter & Paul – Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am: +Frank Perri

10:30am:

12:00m:

2:00pm: +Ana Orsini/ +Claudio Larosa & Rina Larosa/ Almas del Purgatorio/ Healing of Dina Aracely de Hidalgo, Rigoberto Guardado/ Thanksgiving Anniversary Ordination Rev. Priest Innocent Ibeh, Rev. Priest John Gallagher, CSB

6:00pm: Parishioners of STA

MONDAY, June 30th – Monday of the Thirteenth Sunday in Week in Ordinary Time

9:00am: +Martha Lilian Sandoval, +Marcelino Naranjo/ +Salvatore Adelina / +Carmene Ambrosio/ + Merio Guagiardi/ +Giarni Romanyszyn

TUESDAY, Jul 1st – Tuesday of the of the Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time.

9:00am: +Severina Ygrubay

WEDNESDAY, June 2nd – Wednesday of the of the Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time

9:00am: + Mariana Silva de Naranjo, +Dorothy Gregory

THURSDAY, June 3rd – Thursday of the Thirteenth week in Ordinary Time

9:00am: +Marie Amelie Wong

FRIDAY, June 4th – Friday of the Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time

9:00am: +Jean Wong/ +Marie Amelie Wong/ Thanksgiving Anniversary Ordination Rev. Priest Joel Okojie. Birthday blessings upon Cristina Valeria Gomez

SATURDAY, June 5th – Saturday of the Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time – Memorial of St. Anthony Zaccaria

9:00am: +Gloria & Vincent Correa/ +Manuel Conde Moreno, +Chanmatee Deokiesingh, +Saul Edgardo Zuniga

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RCIA Registration Open!

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, please have them call our parish office or just drop by to register themselves for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Registration deadline is Friday, September 5.

First Holy Communion & Confirmation Info!

Details for the 2025/2026 FHC and Confirmation are available at the parish office and will soon be accessible online.

ShareLife Appreciation!

I thank you very much for supporting ShareLife with your prayers and generous donation. Thus far we have raised **\$20,048.67** toward our goal of **\$32,000.00**. May the good Lord reward you abundantly. Fr. Patrick.

Can you assist with Church renos?

In preparation for our 100th anniversary, our parish needs experts in specific areas of Church renovation such as lighting, painting, sound system, IT, carpeting, asphalt, gardening, photography, graphic design and more. Would you answer the call to help renew and upgrade some areas of our Church building? Thank you and may God bless you!

Vacaciones de verano del Estudio Bíblico

Como los participantes ya saben, tenemos una pausa de verano de dos meses, julio-agosto, de nuestra sesión de Estudio Bíblico de los viernes. Reanudaremos en septiembre, si Dios quiere. Vamos a seguir por nuestra cuenta, para profundizar en la familiaridad con la palabra de Dios.

¡RCIA Registro Abierto!

Si usted o alguien que usted conoce está interesado en convertirse en católico, por favor, que llame a nuestra oficina parroquial o simplemente pasar por registrarse para el Rito de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos. Fecha límite de inscripción es el viernes, 5 de septiembre.

¡Información de Primeras Comuniones y Confirmaciones!

Detalles para el 2025/2026 FHC y Confirmación están disponibles en la oficina de la parroquia y pronto será accesible en línea.

Agradecimiento por ShareLife!

Muchas gracias por apoyar a ShareLife con sus oraciones y generosa donación. Hasta ahora hemos recaudado **\$20.048,67** para alcanzar nuestro objetivo de **\$32.000**. Que el buen Dios los recompense abundantemente. P. Patrick

¿Puede ayudarnos con la renovación de la iglesia?

En preparación para nuestro 100 aniversario, nuestra parroquia necesita expertos en áreas específicas de la renovación de la Iglesia, tales como iluminación, pintura, sistema de sonido, IT, alfombras, asfalto, jardinería, fotografía, diseño gráfico y más. ¿Responderías a la llamada para ayudar a renovar y actualizar algunas áreas del edificio de nuestra Iglesia? ¡Gracias y que Dios le bendiga!

What is the Sacred Heart of Jesus?



Source: Catholic Kids Media

June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

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Joy Is Catching



Source: Loyola Press

Have you ever had the experience of feeling down in the dumps and then coming into contact with someone full of joy? Before you know it, you've forgotten what had you feeling so down. It loses all of its importance. Joy is contagious. It is a Fruit of the Holy Spirit which we receive as gift, a gift to be shared. It is impossible to keep joy to yourself. It spills over and touches others. Saint Paul reminds the Philippians and us that one way to lighten one another's burden is to share our joy.

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Where Do I Start with the Bible?



Feeling intimidated by the Bible? You're not alone — but that shouldn't keep you from opening it.

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Summer Street Patrol



**Wednesday, July 02, 2025 06:30 PM
to Wednesday, August 27, 2025 09:30 PM
St. Patrick's Parish 131 McCaul St., Toronto**

Please join us as we celebrate 30 years of service to those in need this summer!

Would you or your group like to help those living on the streets of Toronto? Street Patrol is a walk through Toronto's downtown core, offering food and friendship to the homeless. Food and drinks are prepared independently ahead of time by you or your group. You may volunteer once or as many times as you wish. Individuals or small groups do NOT need to contact Street Patrol in advance.

[More Information](#)

Saint Elizabeth of Portugal



Source: My Catholic Life

**July 4: Saint Elizabeth of Portugal—Optional Memorial
1271–1336**

**Patron Saint of widows, brides, charity workers, those falsely
accused, victims of adultery, and the Canary Islands, Spain
Invoked against jealousy, war, and difficult marriages
Canonized by Pope Urban VIII on June 24, 1625**

Quote:

*I, Elizabeth, daughter of the Most Illustrious Don Pedro, by the
grace of God king of Aragon, hereby bestow my body as the
legitimate wife of Dom Dinis, king of Portugal and of the
Algarve, in his absence as if he were present.... ~From the
written consent to marriage of Saint Elizabeth at the age of
twelve.*

Reflection: Rainha Santa Isabel, or Saint Elizabeth, was born
into the royal family of Aragon, Spain. She was one of three
daughters of King Peter III of Aragon and Queen Constance of
Sicily. Elizabeth's older brothers would become successive
kings of Aragon, Alfonso III and James II. Her namesake was
her great-aunt, Saint Elizabeth of Hungary.

As a young princess, Elizabeth enjoyed all the privileges of a
royal upbringing, yet her stature did not distract her from her
faith. She was deeply devout from a young age, spending
hours in the castle chapel engaged in prayer. By age eight, she
regularly fasted, attended Mass, and prayed the entire Divine
Office daily. Unlike other girls her age, she sought virtue and
glory for God rather than indulging in frivolous activities. Her
humility extended to her royal status, which she saw as a
platform for service rather than privilege. She consistently
demonstrated a loving concern for the poor, sick, and
suffering.

source: mycatholic.life

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**Individually Directed 5-Day Retreat for Men & Women
Monday, July 21, 2025 04:00 PM
To Friday, July 25, 2025 01:30 PM
Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre, Pickering**



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an experienced spiritual director. That person serves as
a guide, helping you and God to engage with each other.
Otherwise, there are no group activities...

CONTACT: Manresa Jesuit Spiritual Renewal Centre
<https://manresa-canada.ca> or call 905-839-2864

[See More](#)

**Pope Leo XIV approves decrees
for more than 170 martyrs**



By: Vatican News Christopher Wells (Vatican News)

Pope Leo XIV authorizes several decrees, including a
Spanish diocesan priest, more than 100 martyrs, a
seminarian, and four servants of God.

By Vatican News

On Friday morning, Pope Leo met with Cardinal Marcello
Semeraro, Prefect of the Dicastery for the Causes of
Saints, and authorized the Dicastery to promulgate
several decrees.

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