



St. Thomas Aquinas

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

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Nov 16th 2025 | Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY MASSES

ENGLISH: Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 9:00am | 12:00pm | 6:00pm

ITALIAN: Sunday 10:30am

SPANISH: Sunday 2:00pm

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Saturday 9:00am

First Fridays 7:00pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Fridays 9:30am - 11:00am

First Fridays 7:30pm

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 4:00pm or by appt.

ANOINTING – UNZIONE – UNCIÓN

First Saturdays of the month at 9:00am.

El primer sábado de cada mes, 9.00am.

Il primo sabato di ogni mese alle 9:00.

BIBLE STUDY SESSION

Fridays, 7:30-9:00pm in the Main Hall.

Refreshments provided. Please enter through the parking lot side door.

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.

BAPTISM - BATTESIMO - BAUTIZOS

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

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

Si prega di chiamare l'ufficio con tre mesi di anticipo

WEDDING – BODAS – MATRIMONIO

Contact the office **one year in advance.**

Contatta l'ufficio con un anno di anticipo.

Contáctenos con **un año de anticipación.**

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

For the Sacraments of Initiation, Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation, please the Parish Office

STA PARISH BACK IN 1926!



**FAITHFUL GOD,
FAITHFUL PEOPLE:
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Celebrating our past,
illuminating our future

"For the Lord is good; His mercy is everlasting." (Psalm 100:5)

Who is St. Thomas Aquinas?

Born in 1225 of an illustrious, politically prominent family in Naples, St. Thomas Aquinas was educated at the famous Monte Cassino Abbey and at the University of Naples. In 1244, against the wishes of his family, he entered the Dominican Order. The Dominicans sent Thomas to the University of Paris to study with the renowned Aristotelian scholar, Albert the Great. In 1252, Thomas began his teaching career which involved him in every major intellectual debate of the time. Through many formal academic disputations, through his preaching, and in over one hundred written volumes, St Thomas gave his reason unreservedly to the service of Christian Revelation. Relying heavily on the Greek philosopher Aristotle, Thomas showed that Christian faith is credible, defensible, and intelligible. Moreover, St. Thomas' prodigious scholarship nurtured his own spiritual development. He prayed intensely and was known to suffer the terrible spiritual trials and to receive the sublime consolations of the true ascetic and contemplative. St Thomas died on March 7, 1274, at the age of fifty. He was canonized in 1323 and proclaimed a Doctor of the Universal Church in 1567.

"The end of all our desires is eternal happiness in God." – St. Thomas Aquinas

CLERGY

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Funerals

Bernardo Funeral Home

416-789-7661

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416-656-3332

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday

9:30am-12:00m & 12:30pm-4:00pm

CHURCH HOURS

The church is open **Monday to Friday** 8:00 am -12:00pm

Saturdays 8:00am-6:00pm / **Sundays** 8:00am -7:00pm

FOOD BANK

Tuesdays 12:00m



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This Week at St. Thomas Aquinas

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear parishioners of STA,

It is the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C), which means we are approaching the end of this liturgical year, closer to Advent, a time of expectation for our Lord's Coming. Thus, the readings call us to action, vigilant expectations and endurance in tribulations. Unlike what the worldly spirit would suggest, suffering, persecution and misfortunes have a glorious lining to them, namely Christ's faithful presence with His elect. Fully aware that the Lord is with us, let us not be afraid or terrified. For "by your endurance you will gain your souls" (Luke 21.5-19). This week, you and I are encouraged to "stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near" (Luke 21.28). God bless you!



100th Anniversary Events

Event 2 - Information Session no.2.

Date: Saturday, Nov. 29. Time: 6:30pm. Location: Parish Hall

Evento 2 - Sessione informativa n. 2.

Data: sabato 29 novembre. Ora: 6:30pm. Luogo: Sala parrocchiale

Evento 2 - Sesión informativa n.º 2.

Fecha: sábado, 29 de noviembre. Hora: 18:30. Lugar: Salón parroquial.

Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed!

Memorial Mass – Thurs. Nov. 20 at 7:00 p.m. We will remember parishioners who passed away this year. Families may place a candle for their loved ones. Please contact the parish office to register names. Sponsored by Bernardo Funeral Home.

Installation and Mandate of Lectors

At all Masses on November 22–23, our lectors will be commissioned to proclaim the Word of God. Please keep them in your prayers.

Simbang Gabi Novena Dec. 15–23

Join us for this beautiful Filipino nine-day novena of Masses in preparation for Christmas! We are looking for sponsors for each night to help with the celebration and light refreshments. Please contact the parish office if you or your family would like to sponsor a Mass.

Confirmation Preparation for Adults (18 and above)

Registration is now open for baptized Catholic adults who wish to receive the sacrament of Confirmation, including those who have not received the Holy Eucharist. If you are interested, please contact the parish office for more information.

Free webinar on Catholic estate planning

Now available after Mass or at the parish office. **\$10 each.**

Learn: - How to avoid problems: in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection. - How to create your own legacy. - About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals

3 WAYS TO REGISTER: 1. scan the QR code.

2. follow this QR link: qrco.de/WebNov29

3. send an email to: Development@ArchToronto.org and write "webinar November 29" in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.



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Funeral Arrangements with Bernardo Funeral Homes!

On Sunday, November 23 between 10am and 1:00pm, Dominic Ferro, the Co-President of Bernardo Funeral Homes will be sharing some information about the important services that they render to members of our Toronto community and around the GTA.

Venue: Church hall. Refreshment will be provided.

MASS INTENTIONS

Throughout the month of November, all parish Masses will be offered for the repose of the souls of our departed relatives and friends. During this period, there will be **no individual Mass intentions.**



Parishioners are invited to inscribe the names of their deceased loved ones in the *All Souls Binder* or *envelopes* located by the **Sanctuary**, and to place offerings in the **All Souls donation box.**

May the Lord grant them eternal rest and peace. Amen.

Thank you for your generosity!

Nov 9, 2025

Regular Collection \$4,306.00

This Week at St. Thomas Aquinas

ITALIAN & SPANISH COMMUNITIES

Del Escritorio del Párroco

Queridos feligreses de STA:

Es el 33.º domingo del tiempo ordinario (año C), lo que significa que nos acercamos al final de este año litúrgico, más cerca del Adviento, un tiempo de espera de la venida de nuestro Señor. Por lo tanto, las lecturas nos llaman a la acción, a la espera vigilante y a la perseverancia en las tribulaciones. A diferencia de lo que sugiere el espíritu mundano, el sufrimiento, la persecución y las desgracias tienen un lado glorioso, a saber, la fiel presencia de Cristo con sus elegidos. Plenamente conscientes de que el Señor está con nosotros, no tengamos miedo ni nos aterricemos. Porque «con vuestra perseverancia salvaréis vuestras almas» (Lucas 21,5-19). Esta semana, se nos anima a «levantaros y levantar la cabeza, porque se acerca vuestra redención» (Lucas 21,28). ¡Que Dios os bendiga!

Messa Commemorativa – Gio. 20 nov. ore 7:00pm

Ricorderemo i parrocchiani defunti quest'anno. Le famiglie possono accendere una candela per i loro cari. Contattare l'ufficio parrocchiale. Offerta da Bernardo Funeral Home.

Istituzione e Mandato dei Lettori

Durante tutte le Messe del 22 e 23 novembre, i nostri lettori saranno incaricati di proclamare la Parola di Dio. Vi preghiamo di ricordarli nelle vostre preghiere.

Simbang Gabi – 15–23 dicembre

Unisciti a noi per questa bella novena filippina di nove giorni in preparazione al Natale. Cerchiamo sponsor per ogni sera. Contatta l'ufficio parrocchiale se desideri sponsorizzare una Messa.

Preparazione alla Confermazione per Adulti (18+)

Iscrizioni aperte per adulti cattolici battezzati che desiderano ricevere la Confermazione, anche se non hanno ricevuto la Prima Comunione. Contattare l'ufficio parrocchiale per maggiori informazioni.

Webinar gratuito sulla pianificazione patrimoniale cattolica

Sabato 29 novembre 2025 alle ore 9:00. Ora disponibili dopo la Messa o presso l'ufficio parrocchiale. 10 dollari ciascuno. Scopri:
- Come evitare problemi: nel tuo testamento, nelle procure e attraverso la scelta di un amministratore patrimoniale adeguato.
- Come creare la tua eredità. - Le nostre tradizioni cattoliche relative a - cremazioni, sepolture e funerali. 3 MODI PER REGISTRARSI: 1. Scansiona il codice QR. 2. Segui questo link QR: qrco.de/WebNov29. 3. Invia un'e-mail a: Development@ArchToronto.org e scrivi "webinar 29 novembre" nell'oggetto + il tuo nome nel corpo del message.

Organizzazione di funerali con Bernardo Funeral Homes!

Domenica 23 novembre, dalle 10:00 alle 13:00, Dominic Ferro, co-presidente di Bernardo Funeral Homes, fornirà alcune informazioni sui servizi importanti che l'azienda offre ai membri della nostra comunità di Toronto e dell'area metropolitana. Luogo: sala parrocchiale. Sarà offerto un rinfresco.

Dalla scrivania del parroco

Cari parrocchiani di STA,

è la 33ª domenica del tempo ordinario (anno C), il che significa che ci stiamo avvicinando alla fine di questo anno liturgico, più vicini all'Avvento, tempo di attesa della venuta del Signore. Pertanto, le letture ci invitano all'azione, all'attesa vigile e alla perseveranza nelle tribolazioni. Contrariamente a quanto suggerirebbe lo spirito mondano, la sofferenza, la persecuzione e le disgrazie hanno un lato glorioso, ovvero la fedele presenza di Cristo con i suoi eletti. Pienamente consapevoli che il Signore è con noi, non temiamo né ci spaventiamo. Perché «con la vostra perseveranza salverete le vostre anime» (Luca 21,5-19). Questa settimana, voi ed io siamo incoraggiati a «alzare la testa, perché la vostra redenzione è vicina» (Luca 21,28). Dio vi benedica!

Misa Anual por los Fieles Difuntos - Jue. 20 de nov. a las 7:00 p.m.

Recordaremos a los feligreses fallecidos este año. Las familias pueden colocar una vela por sus seres queridos. Llame a la oficina parroquial para registrar los nombres. Patrocinada por Bernardo Funeral Home.

¡Instalación y mandato de los lectores!

En todas las misas del 22 y 23 de noviembre, nuestros lectores serán comisionados para proclamar la Palabra de Dios. Por favor, recuérdelos en sus oraciones.

Simbang Gabi – 15–23 de diciembre

Acompáñenos en esta hermosa novena filipina de nueve días en preparación para la Navidad. Buscamos patrocinadores para cada noche. Comuníquese con la oficina parroquial si desea patrocinar una Misa.

Preparación para la Confirmación de Adultos (18+)

Inscripciones abiertas para adultos católicos bautizados que deseen recibir la Confirmación, incluso quienes no han hecho la Primera Comunión. Comuníquese con la oficina parroquial para más información.

Webinar gratuito sobre planificación patrimonial católica

Sábado 29 de Noviembre. Aprenda: - Cómo evitar problemas: en su testamento, en los poderes notariales y mediante la selección adecuada del fideicomisario del patrimonio. - Cómo crear su propio legado. - Acerca de nuestras tradiciones católicas en torno a la cremación, los entierros y los funerales. 3 FORMAS DE INSCRIBIRSE: 1. Escanee el código QR.

2. Siga este enlace QR: qrco.de/WebNov29

3. Envíe un correo electrónico a: Development@ArchToronto.org y escriba «webinar 29 de noviembre» en el asunto + su(s) nombre(s) en el cuerpo del mensaje.

¡Organización de funerales con Bernardo Funeral Homes!

El domingo 23 de noviembre, entre las 10:00 y las 13:00, Dominic Ferro, copresidente de Bernardo Funeral Homes, compartirá información sobre los importantes servicios que prestan a los miembros de nuestra comunidad de Toronto y de toda la zona metropolitana. Lugar: salón parroquial. Se ofrecerá un refrigerio.

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