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



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February 1, 2026 – Fourth 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, 7:30-8:30pm 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

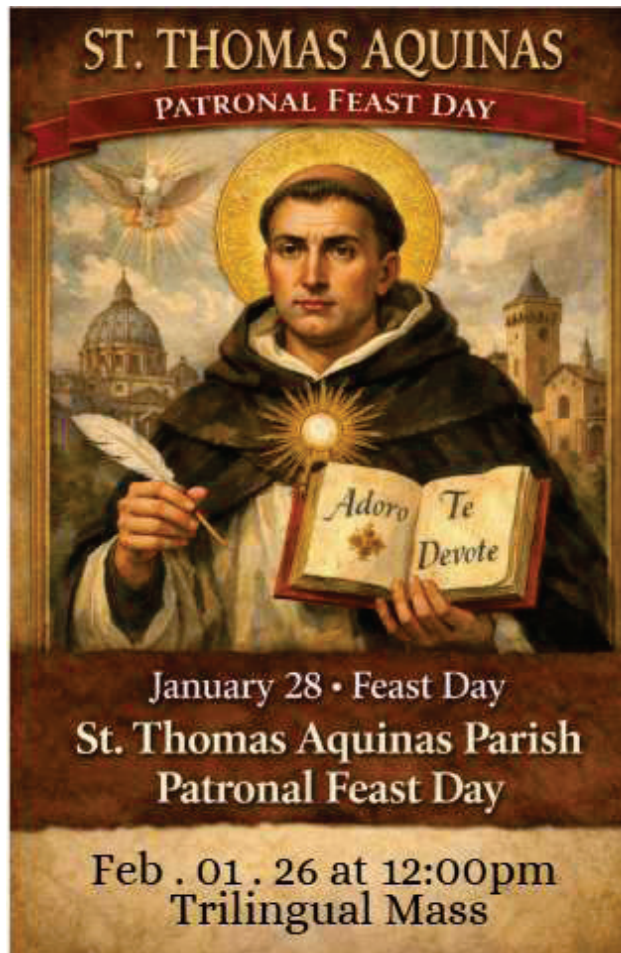
Call the office, **Three months** in advance/ Si
prega di chiamare l'ufficio con **tre mesi** di
anticipo. Con **tres meses** de anticipación.

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 Initiation, Baptism, First Communion
and Confirmation, please the Parish Office



St. Thomas Aquinas was born in 1225 near Naples and educated at Monte Cassino and the University of Naples. Against his family's wishes, he entered the Dominican Order and later studied in Paris under St. Albert the Great. A gifted teacher, preacher, and writer, St. Thomas devoted his life to showing that faith and reason work together in harmony. Drawing on the philosophy of Aristotle, he helped the Church explain the Christian faith as credible, thoughtful, and deeply rooted in truth. A man of great learning and deep prayer, he died in 1274 and was later proclaimed a Doctor of the Church. As we celebrate our Patronal Feast Day on January 28, may the wisdom, faith, and devotion of St. Thomas Aquinas continue to guide and inspire our parish community.

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday
9:30am-12:00pm & 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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From The Pastor's Desk

Dear parishioners of STA Parish,
Not too long ago I dusted a small book which I received as gift a few years ago. Despite the catchy title, Unleash the Magnet in You. The Ultimate Challenge, I never really gave it any chance. But now that I have, I am beginning to realize what I have been missing. The Gospel reading of today (Matthew 5.1-12) presents what could be called the ultimate challenging question for us today: What really makes one happy? Do you see any difference between happiness and blessedness? May the Lord fill your heart with his love and peace during this week. Amen!

Second Sundays – Fellowship Sunday

Come and join us for “My Neighbour, Next Bench” in the parish hall!. Meet and enjoy fellowship with your parish family from **10:00am to 4:00pm** Everyone is welcome – bring your smile and your stories!

Centenary Carnival & Cultural Display Night!

On Saturday, February 7 at 6:30pm. Join us for a vibrant display of the cultural richness and diversity of our parish community! Registered participants will have a table to share their culture through **food, attire, and more**. Photos may appear in our **Centenary brochure**.

Family Day Blessing & Photos with the Priests

After Holy Communion at all Masses on **Feb 14 & 15**. Blessings for everyone & Photos for those who **email by Feb 7** stthomasaquinasto@archtoronto.org. Photos may appear in our **Centenary brochure**. Bring your **whole family** and celebrate!

Bible Study – Friday Feb 6 – 7:30 to 8:30pm

This session explores *The Flood and the Covenant*, reflecting on how Old Testament events prefigure Christ. Readings include 1 Peter 3:18–22, Acts 2:1–13, and Genesis 6–11, with a focus on the Ark, Baptism, and the New Covenant. (CCC 845; 1219–1220)

Ash Wednesday – February 18, 2026

Begin the season of **Lent** with us as we receive the ashes and reflect on God's mercy. All are welcome to join in prayer, reflection, and the start of this holy season.

9:00 a.m. – Mass & **7:00 p.m.** – Solemn Mass (Trilingual)

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

Saturday, February 7, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

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.** **TO REGISTER:**

- follow this QR link: <https://qrco.de/WebFeb7> OR
- send an email to: Development@ArchToronto.org and write “webinar February 7” in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.

Volunteer Needed – Tax Assistance

Do you have experience preparing income taxes? Our parish is seeking a volunteer to assist fellow parishioners with their 2026 tax returns. This is a wonderful way to share your skills and serve those in need. If you are interested, please contact the parish office.

Thank you for your Generosity!
Jan 25,2026 Regular Collection:
\$3,756.00

MASS INTENTIONS – Jan31st Feb 6th 2026

SATURDAY, Jan 31st – Memorial of St. John Bosco, Priest

9:00am:

5:00pm: +*Fabian Alberto Aldana*/ Healing for Sergio Fernando Prado Maldonado

SUNDAY, Feb 1st – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am: +*Ername Somes Jr.*/ Birthday blessings for *Melvin Barrios*

10:30am: +*Nicola & Antonieta Nicastro*/ +*Almerinda Rossi*

12:00pm: +*Maria Elotilde de Barros*/ +*Adelino Montareis Gomez*/ +*Darren Robert Boucher*

2:00pm: No Mass at 2:00pm this day

6:00pm: STA Parishioners

MONDAY, Feb 2nd – Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

9:00am: + *Peter Dong Kim*/ + *Young David Kuthe (son of Eric)*/ +*Isabel Bravo*, +*Salvador Gomez Lopez*/ Birthday blessings for *Margarita Pimienta*

TUESDAY, Feb 3rd – Tuesday of the Fourth Week in Ordinary Time

9:00am: Healing of Steve & Maria Carter's marriage & family

WEDNESDAY, Feb 4th – Wednesday of the Fourth Week in Ordinary Time

9:00am: Healing & conversion of Jacob Acedo

THURSDAY, Feb 5th – Memorial of St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr

9:00am: +*Pasquale Enmanuele*, +*Florencio Perez*/ Birthday blessings for Fe P. Flores, Xavier Adalberto Silva Tam & Gabriel Elias Gallardo

FRIDAY, Feb 6th – Memorial of St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

9:00am: +*Eduardo Jose Gonzalez*, +*Noel Mallari*

"To one who has faith, no explanation is necessary. To one without faith, no explanation is possible" St. Thomas Aquinas

ITALIAN & SPANISH COMMUNITIES

Dalla Scrivania del Pastore

Cari parrocchiani della parrocchia di STA,
Non molto tempo fa ho rispolverato un piccolo libro che avevo ricevuto in regalo alcuni anni fa. Nonostante il titolo accattivante, Unleash the Magnet in You. The Ultimate Challenge (Scatena il magnete che è in te. La sfida definitiva), non gli avevo mai dato alcuna possibilità. Ma ora che l'ho fatto, sto cominciando a rendermi conto di ciò che mi sono perso. Il Vangelo di oggi (Matteo 5,1-12) presenta quella che potremmo definire la sfida più grande per noi oggi: cosa rende davvero felici? Vedete qualche differenza tra felicità e beatitudine? Possa il Signore riempire i vostri cuori con il suo amore e la sua pace durante questa settimana. Amen!

Seconda domenica – Domenica della fratellanza

Venite a trovarci per l'evento "Il mio vicino, la panchina accanto" nella sala parrocchiale! Incontratevi, chiacchierate e godetevi la compagnia della vostra famiglia parrocchiale dalle 10:00 alle 16:00. Tutti sono i benvenuti: portate il vostro sorriso e le vostre storie!

Carnevale del Centenario e Serata culturale!

Sabato 7 febbraio alle 6:30pm. Unitevi a noi per una vivace esposizione della ricchezza culturale e della diversità della nostra comunità parrocchiale! I partecipanti registrati avranno a disposizione un tavolo per condividere la loro cultura attraverso il cibo, l'abbigliamento e altro ancora. Le foto potrebbero apparire nella nostra brochure del Centenario.

Benedizione della Giornata della Famiglia e foto con i sacerdoti

Dopo la Santa Comunione in tutte le Messe del 14 e 15 febbraio. Benedizioni per tutti. Foto per coloro che inviano un'e-mail entro il 7 febbraio a stthomasaquinasto@archtoronto.org. Le foto potrebbero apparire nella nostra brochure del Centenario.

Studio biblico: venerdì 6 febbraio, dalle 7:30 alle 8:30pm.

La sessione esplora Il diluvio e l'alleanza, riflettendo su come gli eventi dell'Antico Testamento prefigurano Cristo. Le letture includono 1 Pietro 3,18-22, Atti 2,1-13 e Genesi 6-11, con particolare attenzione all'Arca, al Battesimo e alla Nuova Alleanza. (CCC 845; 1219-1220)

Mercoledì delle Ceneri – 18 febbraio 2026

Iniziate con noi il periodo della Quaresima ricevendo le ceneri e meditando sulla misericordia di Dio. Tutti sono invitati a partecipare alla preghiera, alla riflessione e all'inizio di questo periodo sacro.

Ore 9:00am – Messa e ore 7:00pm – Messa solenne (trilingue)

Webinar Gratuito Sulla Pianificazione Successoria Cattolica

Sabato 7 febbraio 2026 alle ore 9:00.

Imparerete: -Come evitare problemi: nel vostro testamento, nelle procure e attraverso la scelta adeguata dell'amministratore fiduciario. - Come creare la propria eredità. - Le tradizioni cattoliche relative alla cremazione, alla sepoltura e ai funerali. PER ISCRIVERSI:

- seguire questo link QR: <https://qrco.de/WebFeb7> OPPURE
- inviare un'e-mail a: Development@ArchToronto.org indicando "webinar 7 febbraio" nell'oggetto e il proprio nome nel corpo del messaggio.

Desde el Escritorio del Párroco

Queridos feligreses de la parroquia STA:
Hace poco desempolvé un pequeño libro que me regalaron hace unos años. A pesar de su atractivo título, «Desata el imán que hay en ti. El desafío definitivo», nunca le di una oportunidad. Pero ahora que lo he hecho, empiezo a darme cuenta de lo que me he estado perdiendo. La lectura del Evangelio de hoy (Mateo 5, 1-12) nos plantea lo que podría llamarse la pregunta más difícil para nosotros hoy en día: ¿Qué es lo que realmente nos hace felices? ¿Ve alguna diferencia entre la felicidad y la bienaventuranza? Que el Señor llene su corazón de amor y paz durante esta semana. ¡Amén!

Segundo domingo: Domingo de compañerismo

¡Ven y únete a nosotros en «Mi vecino, el banco de al lado» en el salón parroquial! Reúnete, charla y disfruta del compañerismo con tu familia parroquial de 10:00am. a 4:00pm. Todos son bienvenidos: ¡trae tu sonrisa y tus historias!

¡Carnaval del centenario y noche de exhibición cultural!

El sábado 7 de febrero a las 6:30pm. ¡Acompáñenos en una vibrante exhibición de la riqueza cultural y la diversidad de nuestra comunidad parroquial! Los participantes inscritos tendrán una mesa para compartir su cultura a través de la comida, la vestimenta y mucho más. Las fotos pueden aparecer en nuestro folleto del centenario.

Bendición del Día de la Familia y fotos con los sacerdotes

Después de la Sagrada Comunión en todas las misas del 14 y 15 de febrero. Bendiciones para todos & Fotos para quienes envíen un correo electrónico antes del 7 de febrero a stthomasaquinasto@archtoronto.org. Las fotos pueden aparecer en nuestro folleto del centenario. ¡Traiga a toda su familia y celebre con nosotros!

Estudio bíblico: viernes 6 de febrero, de 7:30 a 8:30 p. m.

La sesión explora El diluvio y la alianza, reflexionando sobre cómo los acontecimientos del Antiguo Testamento prefiguran a Cristo. Las lecturas incluyen 1 Pedro 3:18-22, Hechos 2:1-13 y Génesis 6-11, con especial atención al arca, el bautismo y la nueva alianza. (CIC 845; 1219-1220)

Miércoles de Ceniza – 18 de febrero del 2026

Comience la temporada de Cuaresma con nosotros mientras recibimos las cenizas y reflexionamos sobre la misericordia de Dios. Todos son bienvenidos a unirse a la oración, la reflexión y el inicio de esta temporada sagrada.

9:00 a. m. – Misa y 7:00 p. m. – Misa solemne (trilingüe)

Webinario Gratuito Sobre Planificación Sucesoria Católica

Sábado, 7 de febrero de 2026, a las 9:00 a. m.

Aprenda: -Cómo evitar problemas: en su testamento, en los poderes notariales y mediante la selección adecuada del administrador de la sucesión. - Cómo crear su propio legado. - Acerca de nuestras tradiciones católicas en torno a la cremación, los entierros y los funerales. PARA INSCRIBIRSE:

- Siga este enlace QR: <https://qrco.de/WebFeb7> o
- Envíe un correo electrónico a: Development@ArchToronto.org y escriba «seminario web 7 de febrero» en el asunto + su(s) nombre(s) en el cuerpo del mensaje.

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