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(Psalm 100:5)



STA PARISH BACK IN 1926!

April 19, 2026 – Third Sunday of Easter

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.

ANONING – 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

OFFICE HOURS

Mon, Wed & Fri: 8:30am – 3:00pm
Tue & Thu: 10:30am – 5:30pm
Mon-Fri Office Closed: 12:00-12:30pm

SCHOOLS

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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

Anniversary Prayer

Heavenly Father, We come before you with grateful hearts, Celebrating one hundred years of blessings, of faith lived and shared, of our community built in Your love. Bless our parish, Lord and all those who ministered and served in the past hundred years. Unite us in love, guide us in service and strengthen our faith. May this anniversary not only honor the past, but renew our zeal and commitment to live faithfully in the present and the years ahead. We pray that our centenary may be a true Celebration of Your goodness, A witness to Your Grace and a beacon of hope for generations to come. Amen
Saint Thomas Aquinas.....Pray for us

Preghiera per il centenario

Padre celeste, ci presentiamo davanti a te con cuori riconoscenti, celebrando cento anni di benedizioni, di fede vissuta e condivisa, della nostra comunità costruita nel tuo amore. Benedici la nostra parrocchia, Signore, e tutti coloro che hanno prestato servizio e ministero negli ultimi cento anni. Uniscici nell'amore, guidaci nel servizio e rafforza la nostra fede. Possa questo anniversario non solo onorare il passato, ma rinnovare il nostro zelo e il nostro impegno a vivere fedelmente nel presente e negli anni a venire. Preghiamo affinché il nostro centenario possa essere una vera celebrazione della tua bontà, una testimonianza della tua grazia e un faro di speranza per le generazioni future. Amen
San Tommaso d'Aquino... Pregha per noi

Oración por el centenario

Padre Celestial, Nos presentamos ante ti con corazones agradecidos, celebrando cien años de bendiciones, de fe vivida y compartida, de nuestra comunidad construida en tu amor. Bendice nuestra parroquia, Señor, y a todos aquellos que han ministrado y servido en los últimos cien años. Únenos en el amor, guíanos en el servicio y fortalece nuestra fe. Que este aniversario no solo honre el pasado, sino que renueve nuestro celo y compromiso de vivir fielmente en el presente y en los años venideros. Oramos para que nuestro centenario sea una verdadera celebración de tu bondad, un testimonio de tu gracia y un faro de esperanza para las generaciones venideras. Amén.
Santo Tomás de Aquino... Ruega por nosotros.



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THIS WEEK IN ST. THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH

From The Pastor's Desk

Dear parishioners of STA Parish,

Do you remember the last time you were enthusiastic about something, but then not too long after, your interest began to dwindle like the evening sun? Yes, it happens to one and all! So, how can I retain my spiritual vibe and stay committed? The two Emmaus disciples have a great answer: "Stay with us, because it is almost evening, and the day is now nearly over" (Luke 24.29). May this be our prayer for the rest of the Easter season. Amen.

Centenary Merchandise Sale – Fourth Sunday of the Month

Join us on the **Fourth Sunday of the Month** for our Centenary Merchandise Sale after all Masses. A variety of items will be available, including **t-shirts, hoodies, mugs, and more**. Don't miss the chance to keep a special reminder of your parish memories, take home a keepsake as we celebrate our centenary!

Bible Study – Friday April 24 – 7:30 to 8:30pm

Session 12: Divided Kingdom (Part 1). Readings: Luke 12:22–30; 14:15–24; 17:20–21; Matthew 25:31–46
1 Kings 12–16; 2 Kings 17–19. **Theme: Jesus Proclaims the Kingdom.** Reflect on the Kingdom of God—where it is, who is invited, and who will enter. Join us as we explore how Jesus' vision of the Kingdom compares with our expectations.

Parish Marian Pilgrimage Detailed Infor & Booking Deadline!

For those who are interested in joining our 12-Day Parish Marian Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Fatima (Portugal), Our Lady of Lourdes (France) and Santiago de Compostela (Spain), please note that a representative of the International Heritage Tour will be giving us a detailed presentation on Sunday, April 12 at 4:00pm in the St. Padre Pio's Room downstairs. The deadline for ticket reservation is Thursday, April 30.

STAP Football Club – Still time to join!

We are so excited to be part of our parish's **100th anniversary celebration!** **Starting practice:** Tuesday, May 19 at 6:00 PM
Following practices: Every Monday at 6:00 PM until June 15
Location: **St. Thomas Aquinas School soccer field.**
Many kids are already registered. But you still have time to join!

Congratulations to Our Confirmand

We extend our heartfelt congratulations and prayers to all those who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Saturday, April 11. May the Holy Spirit continue to strengthen them with wisdom, courage, and faith as they grow as faithful disciples of Christ.

ShareLife – You Helped Tara Rebuild Her Life

Tara's childhood was marked by fear and instability, and as a teenager she had to leave home. Through your generosity to ShareLife, she found safety at **Covenant House Toronto**, where she began to rebuild her life. With support, Tara entered the Rights of Passage program, worked multiple jobs while staying in school, and received counselling to help her heal. Today, she is living independently and building a future she once thought was impossible. Thank you for making stories like Tara's possible through your support of ShareLife.

The **ShareLife Second Collection** will take place next weekend, **April 26**. Please give using a ShareLife envelope, online at the parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

MASS INTENTIONS – Apr 18th to Apr 24th 2026

SATURDAY, Apr 18th – Saturday of the Second Week of Easter

9:00am: +Ada Alfonso Mandecino/ +Maria Agustina & Roberto Maravilla/ In honour of St. Apollonious, St. Expedite & All Saints/ Holy Angels & Blessings

5:00pm: +Vincent Correa/ +Gloria Lawless

SUNDAY, Apr 19th – Third Sunday of Easter

9:00am: Birthday blessings upon Eleni Nastase (90 years old)/ In honour of St. Apollonious, St. Expedite & All Saints, Holy Angels & Blessings

10:30pm: +Gino Antonel/ +Teresa & Benny Piasecki/Healing of Melvin Barrios

12:00pm: Parishioners of STA

2:00pm: +Michelina & +Michal Pawluk/ +Ana Orsini/ +Claudio & Rina Larosa/ Souls in Purgatory/ Birthday blessings for Anastasia Zachos & Luis Doradea

6:00pm: +Antonio, Joao & Maria Bairos/ +Angelo & Maria Sousa/ +Jose & Maria Leandres/ +Idalina & Romeo Best

MONDAY, Apr 20th – Monday of the Third Week of Easter

9:00am: +Roberto & +Bernardino Asuncion/ +Mansueto Malabor/ +Ian Caval/ +Timothy Ian Francis Alvarez/ +Peter Andersen & Vincent Tuong/ Thanksgiving & Birthday blessings upon Anje Alvarez/

TUESDAY, Apr 21st – Tuesday of the Third Week of Easter/

9:00am: +Domenico, +Eliza, +Francesco, +Vincenzo, +Giuseppe/ +Wanda Maria Peroni/ +Sergio Osvaldo Arevalo/ +Vincent Nguyen & Maria Dihn/

WEDNESDAY, Apr 22nd – Wednesday of the Third Week of Easter

9:00am: +Henriette Nguyen/ +Maria Paula Rodriguez/ +Vincent Nguyen & Maria Dihn/ Birthday blessings for Marcela Estefania Arevalo

THURSDAY, Apr 23rd – Thursday of the Third Week of Easter

9:00am: +Gloria Lawless/ Healing of Jacob Acedo

FRIDAY, Apr 24th – Friday of the Third Week of Easter

9:00am: +Roberto Lorenzo/ Birthday blessings for Mauricio Diaz/ Thanksgiving for anniversary of the Ordination Rev. Priest Javier Valdes

Thank you for your Generosity!
Apr 12, 2026 – Regular: \$5,931.00

ITALIAN & SPANISH COMMUNITIES

Dalla Scrivania del Pastore

Cari parrocchiani della Parrocchia STA, Ricordate l'ultima volta che vi siete appassionati a qualcosa, ma poi, poco dopo, il vostro interesse ha cominciato a scemare come il sole al tramonto? Sì, capita a tutti! Allora, come posso mantenere vivo il mio slancio spirituale e rimanere fedele al mio impegno? I due discepoli di Emmaus hanno una risposta fantastica: «Resta con noi, perché si fa sera e il giorno volge al termine» (Luca 24,29). Possa questa essere la nostra preghiera per il resto del tempo pasquale. Amen.

Desde el Escritorio del Párroco

Queridos feligreses de la parroquia STA: ¿Recuerdan la última vez que se entusiasmaron con algo, pero poco después su interés empezó a desvanecerse como el sol del atardecer? ¡Sí, nos pasa a todos! Entonces, ¿cómo puedo mantener mi entusiasmo espiritual y seguir comprometido? Los dos discípulos de Emaús tienen una gran respuesta: «Quédate con nosotros, porque ya es tarde y el día está por terminar» (Lucas 24,29). Que esta sea nuestra oración para el resto del tiempo pascual. Amén.

Vendita di articoli del centenario – Quarta domenica del mese

Unitevi a noi la quarta domenica del mese per la nostra vendita di articoli del centenario, che si terrà dopo tutte le messe. Sarà disponibile un'ampia scelta di articoli, tra cui magliette, felpe con cappuccio, tazze e molto altro.

Studio biblico – Venerdì 24 aprile – dalle 7:30 alle 8:30pm

Sessione 12: Il regno diviso (Parte 1). Letture: Luca 12,22-30; 14,15-24; 17,20-21; Matteo 25,31-46; 1 Re 12-16; 2 Re 17-19. Tema: Gesù annuncia il Regno. Riflettiamo sul Regno di Dio: dove si trova, chi è invitato e chi vi entrerà. Unitevi a noi mentre esploriamo come la visione di Gesù del Regno si confronta con le nostre aspettative.

Informazioni dettagliate sul pellegrinaggio mariano parrocchiale e scadenza per le prenotazioni!

Per chi fosse interessato a partecipare al nostro pellegrinaggio mariano parrocchiale di 12 giorni a Nostra Signora di Fatima (Portogallo), Nostra Signora di Lourdes (Francia) e Santiago de Compostela (Spagna), vi informiamo che un rappresentante dell'International Heritage Tour terrà una presentazione dettagliata domenica 12 aprile alle ore 16:00 nella sala San Padre Pio al piano inferiore. Il termine ultimo per la prenotazione dei biglietti è giovedì 30 aprile.

STAP Football Club – C'è ancora tempo per iscriversi!

Siamo davvero entusiasti di partecipare ai festeggiamenti per il centenario della nostra parrocchia! Inizio allenamenti: martedì 19 maggio alle 6:00pm. Prossimi allenamenti: ogni lunedì alle 6:00pm fino al 15 giugno. Luogo: campo da calcio della scuola St. Thomas Aquinas. Ma c'è ancora tempo per partecipare!

Congratulazioni ai nostri cresimandi

Porgiamo le nostre più sincere congratulazioni e le nostre preghiere a tutti coloro che sabato scorso, 11 aprile, hanno ricevuto il sacramento della Cresima. Possa lo Spirito Santo continuare a rafforzarli con saggezza, coraggio e fede mentre crescono come fedeli discepoli di Cristo.

ShareLife – Avete aiutato Tara a ricostruire la sua vita

L'infanzia di Tara è stata segnata dalla paura e dall'instabilità, e da adolescente ha dovuto lasciare casa. Grazie alla vostra generosità verso ShareLife, ha trovato sicurezza presso Covenant House Toronto e ha iniziato a ricostruire la sua vita. Con il sostegno ricevuto, ha lavorato, studiato e seguito un percorso di consulenza, e oggi vive in modo indipendente con speranza per il futuro. Grazie per rendere possibili storie come quella di Tara attraverso il vostro sostegno a ShareLife. La **Seconda Colletta ShareLife** si terrà il prossimo fine settimana, **26 aprile**. È possibile donare tramite busta ShareLife, online sul sito della parrocchia o su sharelife.org/donate.

Venta de artículos conmemorativos del centenario

Acompañenos el cuarto domingo del mes a nuestra venta de artículos conmemorativos del centenario, que tendrá lugar después de todas las misas.

Estudio bíblico – Viernes 24 de abril – 7:30 a 8:30 p. m.

Sesión 12: El reino dividido (Parte 1). Lecturas: Lucas 12:22-30; 14:15-24; 17:20-21; Mateo 25:31-46; 1 Reyes 12-16; 2 Reyes 17-19. Tema: Jesús proclama el Reino. Reflexiona sobre el Reino de Dios: dónde está, quiénes están invitados y quiénes entrarán. Acompañanos mientras exploramos cómo la visión de Jesús sobre el Reino se compara con nuestras expectativas.

¡Información detallada y fecha límite de inscripción para la peregrinación mariana de la parroquia!

Para aquellos que estén interesados en unirse a nuestra peregrinación mariana parroquial de 12 días a Nuestra Señora de Fátima (Portugal), Nuestra Señora de Lourdes (Francia) y Santiago de Compostela (España), por favor tengan en cuenta que un representante de International Heritage Tour nos dará una presentación detallada el domingo 12 de abril a las 4:00 p. m. en la sala San Padre Pío. La fecha límite para reservar los boletos es el 30 de abril.

Club de fútbol STAP: ¡Aún estás a tiempo de apuntarte!

Inicio de los entrenamientos: martes 19 de mayo a las 6:00 p. m. Próximos entrenamientos: todos los lunes a las 6:00 p. m. hasta el 15 de junio. Lugar: campo de fútbol de la escuela St. Thomas Aquinas. ¡Aún estás a tiempo de unírte!

Felicidades a nuestros confirmandos

Extendemos nuestras más sinceras felicitaciones y oraciones a todos aquellos que recibieron el sacramento de la Confirmación el pasado sábado 11 de abril. Que el Espíritu Santo continúe fortaleciéndolos con sabiduría, valor y fe a medida que crecen como fieles discípulos de Cristo.

ShareLife – Ayudaste a Tara a reconstruir su vida

La infancia de Tara estuvo marcada por el miedo y la inestabilidad, y siendo adolescente tuvo que dejar su hogar. Gracias a su generosidad hacia ShareLife, encontró seguridad en Covenant House Toronto y comenzó a reconstruir su vida. Con apoyo, trabajó, estudió y recibió acompañamiento profesional, y hoy vive de manera independiente con esperanza en el futuro. Gracias por hacer posibles historias como la de Tara a través de su apoyo a ShareLife. La **Segunda Colecta de ShareLife** se llevará a cabo el próximo fin de semana, **26 de abril**. Puede donar usando un sobre de ShareLife, en línea en el sitio web de la parroquia o en sharelife.org/donate.

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