St. Thomas More Catholic Parish

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Pastor: Fr. Mitchell Fidyka
Associate Pastor: Fr. Curtis Berube
Permanent Deacons: Randy Abele, Chris Ashdown, Tom Sudsbear
Winter Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9 am – 2 pm

Website: https://stm.caedm.ca
Email: communications.stm@caedm.ca

Weekend Mass Times	
Saturday	5:00 pm*
Sunday	8:00 am
	10:00 am
	12:00 pm
	5:00 pm

Weekday Mass Times		
Monday		6:00 pm
Tuesday	9:00 am	6:00 pm
Wednesday	9:00 am	6:00 pm
Thursday	9:00 am	6:00 pm
Friday	9:00 am*	6:00 pm
Saturday	9:00 am	

* These Masses are also livestreamed

Sacrament of Confession

One hour before all morning and evening weekday Masses

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday 5:00 pm
First Friday 9:30 am - 3 pm

Please Contact the Parish Office for information about:

Pastoral Care

- Sacrament of the Sick: any day at any hour
- Regular pastoral visits can be arranged for the homebound (pastoral1.stm@caedm.ca)

Baptism

- See Baptismal brochure in stand or look on website
- Parents & godparents are required to take preparation classes (pastoral.stm@caedm.ca)

Marriages

- Schedule an appointment before you book any other facilities (pastoral.stm@caedm.ca)
- An approved pre-marriage course is required
- A minimum of 4 months of notice is required

First Reconciliation and First Communion

- For baptized children 7 years of age and older
- Preparation classes are required (pastoral1.stm@caedm.ca)
- See green sacrament brochure for details

Confirmation

- For those 11 years (& older) by Confirmation date
- Registrations for Confirmation 2021 Program start in May (pastoral1.stm@caedm.ca)

RCIA *and* RCIC (Adapted for Children 8-15 yrs.)

- For those who wish to learn more about the Catholic faith or who wish to become Catholic.
- Classes start each fall (pastoral.stm@caedm.ca)

Parish Staff:

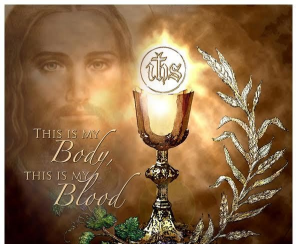
Pastoral Associate: Christina Faitakis
Pastoral Assistant: Shannon Van Soest
Music Coordinator: Johanna Dietrich
Bookkeeper: Elvie Fermin-Chua
Maintenance Manager: Marian Ragac

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

June 6, 2021

"Take; this is my Body."

The origin of today's feast of Corpus Christi goes back to the Middle Ages.
It is a moment to reflect on the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist, the beloved truth of our faith.



In today's Gospel we go from the Jerusalem Temple to the Last Supper. Jesus says, "This is my Body, this is my Blood." Jesus Christ is present among us in many ways but here in the Eucharist, the Lord Jesus is present fully. Sometimes we say: we can see Christ in our neighbor. But that is often difficult to do. In the Eucharist the Lord is present without obstructions. That is the significance of the red lamp we have in front of the tabernacle, the real presence. The Eucharist is the greatest gift we have here on this earth. It comes from the very hand of Christ. If we keep close to the Mass, to the Eucharist, wherever we are, we will always be close to God.

Blessed be all who continue to share in this meal of grace. Blessed be the doors of our churches, opening for two thousand years despite persecution and schism. Blessed be these houses of faith, built at great cost by people of faith willing to shoulder the burden. Blessed be all those who make this supper ready, from the servants of the liturgy to the priest who speaks for us. Blessed be the Eucharist, our communion of Body and Blood. Blessed be our ears that hear God's word, our lips that dare to eat and drink. Blessed be our hearts that struggle and hope and need and believe.

World Day of Prayer for Priests - June 11

On the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests. Let us remember to pray for our priests: those in our Archdiocese, those newly ordained, those who have died this past year, and those who we have known and who have been with us in times past. We pray especially for our parish priests, Fr. Mitch and Fr. Curtis. We ask that God continue to bless them and bestow on them the graces of the priesthood. May they continue to grow in holiness and embody the Sacred Heart of Jesus to all they encounter.

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The feast of Corpus Christi is a Catholic liturgical solemnity celebrating the real presence of the body and blood of Jesus Christ in the sacrament of the Eucharist. It was created to make a day that focuses on the Eucharist to emphasize its joy since it is the sacrifice of the body and blood of Jesus Christ. As we celebrate the feast, it is fitting to spend some time with the formed.org presentation *The Body and Blood of Christ*. This presentation provides the Biblical basis for the Church's teaching on the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist and the significance of the Feast of Corpus Christi. It also gives us a greater understanding of our vocation to be the living presence of Christ in the world.

If you have recently moved, or are planning to move over the summer, please update the office with your new contact information (mailing address, telephone numbers, additions to members of the family, email, donation information).

Thank-you for keeping our records updated!

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Mon. June 7	6pm	†Elieazer Agias Anna Bai Rayer
Tues. June 8	9am	†Corrine Rumak
	6pm	†Marlyn Aberia and Keith Jae Aquiles
Wed. June 9	9am	†Primitiva Langlois
	6pm	†Louis James Meaney
Thurs. June 10	9am	†Elijah James De Guzman
	6pm	†Rochelle O'Brien
Fri. June 11 **MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS**	9am*	†Nora O'Meara
	6pm	†Edward Nolan
Sat. June 12 *Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary*	9am	†Tin Fat Lung
	5pm*	Rod Goplin (75th year birthday blessings)
Sun. June 13	8am	Piliar Family & Ondrus Family
	10am	Intentions of Parishioners
	12pm	William Corcoran
	5pm	†Marie Lamoureux

** These Masses are **also** live-streamed*

Next Sunday Readings:

Ezekiel 17:22-24, Psalm 92,
2 Corinthians 5:6-10, Mark 4:26-34

Our Offerings: May 23 and May 30,

Regular Sunday Collection:	$13,362
Easter Donation:	$ 1,000
Together We Serve:	$ 303
Initial Offering:	$ 105

Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (June 11)

For us Catholics, the month of June has long been dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This month, we entrust ourselves, our families, our parish, and our world to the Sacred Heart. Our Lord's heart is often depicted in art as bearing his crown of thorns.

This Friday, we celebrate the Feast of the Sacred Heart. In the holy Mass, we will adore the heart of Jesus, who is both human and divine, and whose love for us is both human and divine.

Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (June 12)

Our devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary is closely linked with our devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Mary loves us as the one who became the mother of Jesus. She loves us also as our own spiritual mother and she leads us into deeper love for Jesus her Son.

On the day after the Feast of the Sacred Heart, we honor Mary for her maternal love for the whole world. We look with gratitude on her inner-life, and we thank her for her 'yes' to God's will, which made possible the Incarnation and the salvation of our world.

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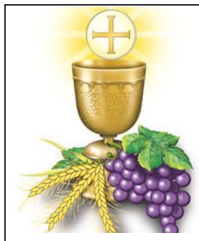

We congratulate and continue to pray for our school children that celebrated the ***Sacraments of Reconciliation*** and ***First Holy Communion*** in May from St. Boniface, St. John XXIII, and St. Thomas Aquinas schools:

Mikayla H., Kaleia L., Lukas Joseph Socrates A., Jordan B., Alessandra B., Angie C. D., Patrick C. D., Alaina D., Julian D., Allie E., Maxim F., Briton G., Michelle I., Steevenson J., Alyssa K., Paula L. G., Lucas L. C., Connor M., Jaxon, M., Tristan M., Aezikiel M., Josephine M., Natalia M., Chigozie O., Lucia R., Gladys Inioluwa R., Katherin Anne S., Emmy S., Angelica S., Esom U., Paige W., Avery W., Bennett W., Jack W., Stella W., Camryn Y., JJ Prisha B., Lorenzo D., Lyncia G., Riane Rilee H., Aaliyah K., Ava K., Arjuna Dartagnan S., Jordan Daniel S., Miranda T., Brayden Benj Y., Dan McKinley Z., and Mecka Ellah Z.

May you always be close to Jesus!

LIVE STREAMING HD

Telus OptikTV Channel 877

STM website: https://stm.caedm.ca/

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/stthomasmoreyeg/

Youtube channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZSAygs1yQAwRwU-wIq9l-w

Congratulations to the following children who entered into the community of the Church through the

Sacrament of Baptism:

Seosah Karmel, Leon Dawid, Wesley Grey, Savannah Anastazia, Jackson David, Mphako, Xarina Cielo, Charlotte Claire, Axel Troy, Ellisha Faith, Benjamin Ryan, Victoria Anne, and Aman Singh

Please remember our new little brothers and sisters in your prayers.

First Holy Communion Masses

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be celebrated for schools:

Sunday, June 6, 2pm: Monsignor Fee Otterson, St. Mary St. Stanislaus and St. Teresa

Sunday, June 20, 2pm: Archbishop Joseph MacNeil, Monsignor William Irwin, all other schools, and St. Augustine

Children that did not attend the reconciliation celebration on May 29th, can receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation during the hour before all ***weekday*** *morning and evening Masses (see bulletin weekday Mass schedule).*
No appointment required.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation must be celebrated before receiving First Holy Communion.

Covid restrictions eased

Beginning Friday, May 28, 2021

- The capacity limit for worship services goes back to the 15% of the fire code occupancy.
- There will be no change on funerals, weddings, and baptisms. **Masks remain mandatory.**

Beginning Tuesday, June 1, 2021

- **Wedding ceremonies** may have up to 10 people, including the officiant, bride/groom, witnesses and any photographers/videographers. *Receptions remain prohibited.*
- **Funerals:** Funeral ceremonies may have up to 20 people, not including facility staff, funeral clergy or organizers not considered guests. *Receptions remain prohibited.*
- **Baptisms:** The Archdiocese continues to limit the attendees to 10 people for Baptisms.
- **House Blessings:** We continue to recommend that house blessings (inside gatherings) happen only after stage 2 begins.

The Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton

Please listen to His Grace's video message regarding the announcement of the easing of COVID-19 restrictions.

St. Thomas More Parish Cookbook 2021

As we all look forward to resuming family get-togethers and group celebrations, St. Thomas More Catholic Women's League is pleased to announce the upcoming publication of our third parish cookbook, ***Gather Together Again***. We invite you to play a part in it by submitting your favourite recipes, whether they're from your family or ethnic traditions, or new ones you have perfected over this year of pandemic. Even at a distance, we can get to know our fellow parishioners by sharing the recipes that are special to our families and friends. The cookbook will be on sale this fall, making it a great Christmas gift idea. Proceeds will go to support the works of the CWL. To submit a recipe, please download the fillable form at **http://bit.ly/stmcooks** and email to **cookbookstm@gmail.com**, **OR** print and mail/ deliver to the parish, marked Attention CWL. **Deadline for recipes is June 30, 2021.** We look forward to your submission!

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FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING

Newman Theological College Faith and Reason Essay Competition

The Faith & Reason Essay Contest is open to all incoming freshmen applicants of the BA in Catholic Studies program at Newman Theological College.

Visit www.newman.edu/essaycontest to apply for the new, fully accredited BA program and all scholarship and bursary opportunities.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

1st: $24,000 - Full Tuition for all 3 years

2nd: $6,000 - Awarded over 2 years

3rd: $3,000 - Awarded over 1 year ***(3 awards of $3,000 available)***

*Due Canada Day, Thursday, July 1, 2021, 12:00 noon, to admissions@newman.edu or visit www.newman.edu/essaycontest

St. Thomas More Parish: Family of Schools Contact Information

School Name	Grades	Phone #	Principal
Archbishop Joseph MacNeil	K-9	780-471-4218	George Antonakis
Monsignor Fee Otterson	K-9	780-430-8015	Marie Whelan
Monsignor William Irwin	K-6	780-430-1121	Lynnette Anderson
Mother Margaret Mary	10-12	780-988-2279	Dean Rootsaert
St. Boniface	K-6	780-434-0294	Leana Perri
St. John XXIII	K-9	780-469-2451	Michael Kovacs
St. Mary	K-6	780-988-6577	Christine Vince
St. Monica	Pre-school	780-436-7888	Kris Hodgins
St. Stanislaus	K-6	780-434-0295	Nella Funaro
St. Teresa	K-6	780-437-6022	Julieta Zelada
St. Thomas Aquinas	K-9	780 409-2604	Danita Power

Confirmation 2021 - Registration

Confirmation classes are tentatively scheduled to take place September - November of 2021 and are designed for all students who will be in Grade 7 – 12 in Fall 2021. Registration forms are available online at: https://stm.caedm.ca/confirmation

Drop in registration during regular office hours: Monday to Friday, 9am - 2pm. Completed registration packages can be mailed to the office:

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For more information call the office at 780-434-6313 ext. 222 or email: pastoral1.stm@caedm.ca

Please register by end of school year: June 25th

To support the Knights of Columbus and purchase grocery cards contact:
Ken Shivak at kshivak@shaw.ca or phone: 780-434-0632

Thank-you for your continuing support!

Prayers for the Sick

We care about the sick and suffering in our parish and pray for them daily. These prayers are included in the intentions of the rosary that we pray before the Eucharist

May they receive the peace & healing of the Lord.

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