

St. Thomas More Catholic Parish

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Temporary Administrator: Fr. Paul Kavanagh

Permanent Deacons: Randy Abele, Chris Ashdown, Tom Sudsbear

Office Hours: Monday – Friday 9 am – 4 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 6:00 pm
Wednesday 9:00 am
Thursday 9:00 am
*Friday 9:00 am
Saturday 9:00 am

* These Masses are also live-streamed

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 (baptism.stm@caedm.ca)

Marriages

- Schedule an appointment before you book any other facilities (pastoral1.stm@caedm.ca)
- An approved pre-marriage course is required (stm.marriagepreparation@gmail.com)
- 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 Reconciliation/First Communion brochure for details

Confirmation

- For those in grades 7-12, 11 years (& older) by Confirmation date
- Registrations for Confirmation 2022 Program (Julie.Lee@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 (rciacoordinator.stm@caedm.ca)

Parish Staff:

Pastoral Assistant: Christina Faitakis
Pastoral Assistant: Julie Lee

Music Coordinator: Johanna Dietrich
Business Coordinator: Paul Givens

Liturgical Schedule for Lent & Easter

Confession: one hour before all weekday Masses up to and including Wednesday, April 13

HOLY WEEK:

No Mass Monday, April 11

Holy Thursday Mass: April 14, 7pm*

Good Friday: April 15, 9am, 12pm, 3pm*

Holy Saturday Basket Blessing: April 16, 12pm

Easter Vigil: April 16, 9pm*

All are welcome to join our newly initiated members of the Catholic Church for a reception afterwards in the parish hall.

Easter Sunday: April 17, 8am, 10am*, 12pm and 5pm

* *These celebrations will also be live-streamed*



Special considerations during Holy Week

Fasting on Good Friday: Good Friday is a universal day of fasting and abstinence from eating meat.

Ring the Bells: *Please bring bells* from home to ring during Gloria at Easter Vigil and on Easter Sunday.

No photographs or videos during the Easter Vigil as we will have a professional photographer on site. Thank-you.

Spring 2022 STM Scripture Study begins Thursday, April 28, 2022 from 7:30pm to 9:00pm. There will be 9 weekly sessions. The sessions will be virtual meetings on Zoom so one would need to have this free app. We will be studying the scriptural basis for the devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus - the source of divine love. Discover how devotion to the Sacred Heart can be revitalized in our day through a spirituality that is biblical, ecumenical, and contemporary. The workbooks are \$12 per book. Once I have your contact information (email and phone number), I can make arrangements to get the booklets to you. Join to learn, pray, and share your faith. The time commitment is 90 minutes each week. For registration or information call Deacon Randy Abele at (780) 435-5070 or (780) 493-1972 or email: randy.abele@caedm.ca

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

Sacrament of Baptism:



I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

Ciera Paulette Marie A.,

Hazel Amaka A.,

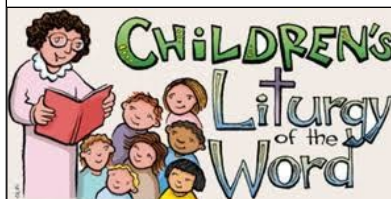
Avery Marshall L., and

Elizabeth Almabella C.

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

Children's Liturgy

Would you like to assist with Children's Liturgy from April 23 until the end of June? You will always be paired up with another person to lead the children. Lesson plans and activities are provided.



Please email Cheryl at shinkarukc@shaw.ca to volunteer.

We appreciate you volunteering your time to work with our children.

Called to Protect

Our next *Safe Environment and Abuse Prevention* training session, "Called to Protect", is scheduled for **Tuesday, May 3, 2022 at 7pm**. The workshop will take place over Zoom. It will be approximately 2.5 hours long. This is a requirement for all volunteers and employees in the Archdiocese 18 years and older.



The Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton

For registration, please follow the [link](#) or contact Lucy Kaakyo by email at lkaakyo@caedm.ca and include the name of your parish.

Helpful instructions, training material and the link to the Zoom session will be sent close to the date. We appreciate your time and talent in the service of the Church.

St. Thomas More Parish Cookbook

Just in time for Easter dinner – we still have a few copies of the parish cookbook, *Gather Together Again*, featuring over 300 tried and true favourite recipes submitted by STM parishioners. Pay by cash or cheque, \$15 each or two books for \$25. Or to arrange payment by e-transfer, send an email to cookbookstm@gmail.com.

Journeying Together: Have you completed your online submission yet? Deadline Friday, April 29th

The Holy Father has asked ALL OF US to find “*the path that God expects of the Church in the third millennium.*”

The path to a Church that listens and walks together starts with each one of us.

We are all called to share our voices!

Pray, Discern, then Submit Online - Access the Archdiocese online platform [Here](#).

For more information go to [St Thomas More's](#) and the [Archdiocese'](#) Synodal Journey websites



Or contact us at STMSynod@gmail.com

Thank you for giving from the heart to Share Lent 2022!



Development and Peace — Caritas Canada thanks you for supporting the People and Planet First campaign with your Share Lent donation. Thanks to your generosity, our parish collected \$564. This sum will help support our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East.

If you have not had a chance to donate, there is still time to place your Share Lent envelope in the offertory or to donate online at devp.org/give. Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.



40 DAYS FOR LIFE

The *Culture of Life* ministry at St. Thomas More invites you to participate in 40 Days for Life by praying, fasting, and keeping vigil for an end to abortion. Participation is encouraged **throughout Lent from March 2nd - April 10th**.

Join us Tuesdays during Lent for the Holy Hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 5 to 6pm.

Lord, we pray for the courage to stand up for life by witnessing to those who advocate that we should destroy life. But, like Jesus, let us not cast stones. Instead, give us wisdom to help those who go astray so they find and stay on a better path, the one that leads to Life.

Study for a bachelor's degree in Catholic Studies



Enrolment is now open for fall for the *BA in Catholic Studies* courses at Newman Theological College. Earn your fully accredited Bachelor of Arts degree in three years. To learn more and apply for courses please visit their website:

<https://newman.edu/bacath>

<https://www.newman.edu/>



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>

Marriage Preparation

Holy Trinity parish in Spruce Grove is hosting this course **May 7, 14 and 15**. Cost is \$200 including lunches and workbooks. To register call 780-960-0135 or email holytrinity.sg@caedm.ca Space is limited so register early.



Did you know there's a youth group at St. Thomas More Parish? If you are in grade 9 - 12 you are invited to join ANCHOR which meets from 6 - 8 pm on the 2nd Sunday of every month (this month: April 10). We will have time for adoration and worship, as well as snacks and community building! If you're in grade 9 - 12, you should come to Anchor this Sunday from 6 - 8 pm & bring a friend!

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	Patrick Lema
Monsignor William Irwin	K-6	780-430-1121	Azza Ghali
Mother Margaret Mary	10-12	780-988-2279	Dean Rootsaert
St. Boniface	K-6	780-434-0294	Thomas Rees
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	Michele Wedemire
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



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

Welcome to St. Thomas More Parish

Are you new to the Parish?

Are you registered at St. Thomas More?

Being a registered member of the parish makes it easier for us to serve you. To register, please fill out a registration form and drop off at the office.

Help keep our Parish database up to date!

Let us know if:

- you moved or you are planning a move
- you cancelled your landline phone
- you changed your email
- you have a new addition to your family
- sign up for PAD (pre-authorized deductions) and no longer need donation envelopes