St. Thomas More Catholic Parish

210 Haddow Close, Edmonton, AB T6R 2P3 Office: **780-434-6313** Website: <u>stm.caedm.ca</u>

Holy Tríníty Sunday June 4, 2023

Pastor: Fr. Mark McGee

Supply Priest: Fr. Jozef Wroblewski

Permanent Deacons: Randy Abele, Tom Sudsbear, Gordon Taylor

Office Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM | Fri. 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM | Sat. 8:30 AM - 2:00 PM | Sun. 1:00 PM - 4:30 PM

5:00 PM



WEEKEND MASS TIMES Saturday 5:00 PM Sunday 8:00 AM 10:00 AM 12:00 PM

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES	
Monday	9:00 AM
Tuesday	5:00 PM
Wednesday	9:00 AM
Thursday	5:00 PM
Friday	9:45 AM (School Mass - Jun 9)
Saturday	9:00 AM on the Saturday following the 1^{st} Friday of the month.

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Monday after 9:00 AM Mass during Adoration; 1 hour before Mass Tuesday - Friday; Saturday 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM (*Confessions end 10 minutes before Mass*)

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Monday 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM and First Fridays 9:30 AM - 3:00 PM

PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE OR SEE THE WEBSITE FOR INFORMATION ABOUT:

Baptism

- Baptism for infants and children under 7 are celebrated at liturgies throughout the year, twice a month on Sunday afternoons (except during Advent and Lent)
- Parents & godparents are required to take preparation classes (unless previously completed in the last 4 years)
- Email <u>baptism.stm@caedm.ca</u> for forms and schedules.

First Reconciliation and First Communion

- For baptized children 7 years of age and older
- Preparation classes are required
- Registration for the second cycle for the 2022-2023 school year is now closed. Please check back in the fall for the 2023-2024 dates.

RCIA and RCIC (Adapted for Children 7-15 yrs.)

• For those who wish to learn more about the Catholic faith or who wish to become Catholic

Confirmation

- For those in grades 6-12, 11 years (& older) by Confirmation date
- Information about the 2023 program will be available in August

Marriages

- Contact the office to schedule an appointment as an important first step
- An approved Catholic pre-marriage course is required

(stm.marriagepreparation@gmail.com)

- A minimum of 6 months of notice is required
- Married civilly: Complete the Sacrament of Marriage through convalidation

Pastoral Care

- Sacrament of the Sick: by appointment
- Regular pastoral visits can be arranged for the homebound

PARISH STAFF:

Pastoral Assistant: Julie Lee Pastoral Assistant: Tracy Lam Liturgy & Music Coordinator: Johanna Dietrich Business Coordinator: Paul Givens Maintenance/Custodial: Mark Whaley Admin Assistants: Emilie Spak, Lorraine Kasha, Elaine Ho

DEACON'S CORNER

God so loved the World... (John 3:16-18)

Reflection by Deacon Tom

Trinity Sunday reminds us that there is only One God, revealed in salvation history and existing in the Trinity of three Divine Persons (God, the Father; Jesus Christ, the Son; and the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete) equal in majesty, and equally responsible for our salvation. The nature of the Trinity remains a mystery for many people who try to understand how there can be three persons in only one God.

St. Patrick picked a three-leafed clover as a simple analogy in teaching the Trinity to the Irish people. He asked them how many shamrocks he held and they replied one and asking them how many leaves it contained, they replied three. St. Patrick told them that in a similar fashion there was one God in three divine Persons.

Paul made use of this formulation to conclude his Second Letter to the Corinthians when he states, "the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you."

From God's very nature comes salvation, not condemnation, as God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him, and that everyone who believes in Him may not perish but may have eternal life.

Let us thank God for revealing the mystery of the Blessed Trinity to us. Let us pray that one day we may enjoy the presence of all three persons in the kingdom of heaven.

Terwillegar Drive - Update

Our parking lot exit to Terwillegar Drive will be temporarily closed during the month of June to facilitate widening of Terwillegar Drive. Please continue to be patient in the parking lot during this temporary exit ramp closure.



JOIN ST. THOMAS MORE ON FLOCKNOTE!



What is it? It's an electronic bulletin!

Why should I sign up?

- **GO GREEN** by going paper less
- Delivered to you every week
- Captivating photos, informative links, and interesting videos

How?

- Go to this URL: <u>stmedmonton.flocknote.com</u>
- Scan the QR code;
- contact the office so we can add you as a member!



Children's Liturgy Sundays 8:00 AM

We're excited to have a Children's Liturgy at the **Sunday 8:00** AM Mass!

- Great for families who like to start their day early
- More parking available
- Smaller student to volunteer ratio

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

<u>Infant baptisms</u> continue to be celebrated year long except during Advent and Lent. Remaining dates until the end of

August 2023 are: June 11 & 25, July 16, and August 13 & 27, all at 1:30 PM. Spaces are

limited, please plan at least 4 weeks in advance. Preparation programs are required for both parents and godparents. Email **Baptism.STM@caedm.ca** for details.



The WINDOW is the weekly electronic bulletin of the Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton. WINDOW is the single source of news from the Archdiocese – a 'window' into our Catholic community.



Visit <u>caedm.ca/window/</u> to view the most recent publication.

WE'RE HIRING A FULL TIME PASTORAL ASSISTANT (WITH FOCUS ON YOUTH)



St. Thomas More Parish is looking for someone that is passionate about God's Word and youth!

You will apply your knowledge of the Catholic faith to coordinate faith formation activities for the youth and their families, as well as promoting active youth, young adult and family ministry in the parish.

Some of the qualifications are:

- Must be a fully initiated member of the Catholic Church in good standing.
- Must be fully in agreement with the teachings of the Catholic Church and be able to put that knowledge into action.
- Experience in youth and/or family ministry is an asset.
- Must have a strong Faith and desire to evangelize the youth and young people of our community

To apply, please call the office or email **<u>Paul.Givens@caedm.ca</u>**





2023 Clergy Transfers and Assignments

St. Thomas More Parish is happy to announce that **Fr. Vadakedath Aipe, CMI,** is assigned as an Associate Pastor, assisting Fr. Mark McGee!

*His appointment is subject to change depending on his arrival from his country of origin. Priority will be to fulfill a vacancy at an essential parish in need.





Congratulations to Deacon Jake Mullin

One of our very own World Youth Day pilgrims, Jake Mullin, was ordained as a transitional deacon on May 26 by Archbishop Smith.

Please pray for him as he journeys on towards the priesthood!

The Most Holy Trinity THE DIFFERENCE THAT ONE GIFT CAN MAKE



What a gift! God gave His Only Son so that all who believe in him may have eternal life. Your ONE GIFT to *Together We Serve*, may not save the whole world, but it will help tens of thousands of people in the Archdiocese of Edmonton, Canada, and beyond.

"God so loved the world that he gave his only Son." (John 3:16) Ask at the parish office how you can give to *Together We Serve* or scan here to **GIVE NOW**:



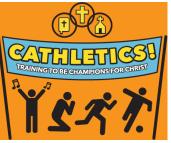


THANK YOU CWL!

For beautifying our Marian Garden!

Vacation STM Vacation Bible School July 17 - 21, 2023 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

This summer, St. Thomas More Parish will be offering a sports themed Vacation Bible school for kids aged 5 to 16. Participants aged 5-11 will get to play games, do crafts and build their faith from 9 am until noon, and ages 12-16 will help guide the younger participants in the mornings, put on skits and have their own faith and fellowship formation time until 12:30 pm. Cost to attend is \$15. Please visit or see the tables at the back of the church this weekend for more information, or visit stm.caedm.ca/vacation-bible-school-vbs/



PARENT VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN!

VBS is run almost entirely by volunteers—if you are interested in helping, please call the office (780-434-6313) or email Emilie (Emilie.Spak@caedm.ca) as soon as possible. Parent/ adult volunteers are needed to help run stations, guide small groups of participants, assist with the older "captains" group, help with registrations and sign-in/out. Youth volunteers can help with the captains or accompany adult volunteers in leading stations. Your help can make this summer fun, memorable and filled with faith and Catholic learning for our children.

Taking the child in his arms, Jesus said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me," Mark 9:36-37



ADORATION FOR LIFE

Wednesday, June 7 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Mass with Knights of Columbus 7:00 PM

St. John the Evangelist Parish Believing in the power of prayer to save lives

Featured Ministries for June

The Featured Ministries for the month of June are service, fellowship, and spiritual life groups that meet in the evenings or on weekends.

Please check the Featured Ministries bulletin boards at the main and office entrances to the church to learn about The Knights of Columbus, The Catholic Women's League, The Lord's Flock, Throne of Mercy, and Growth in the Spirit.



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul's Pantry in our parish is running low and is in particular need of the following items:

crackers, canned chicken and ham, cereal, juice and Chef Boyardee or any meal in a can

Please drop off your donations at the church. Thank you for your continued support to ensure that our friends in need continue to get the help they require.

+++ Called to Protect +++

There is an upcoming Called to Protect abuse prevention training session on Wednesday, June 14, 1:00 PM to 3:30 PM. This will be a **Zoom session** open for all.



The two and half hour session is mandatory Archdiocese for all volunteers and employees of the The Catholic *d* Edmonton Archdiocese. Please register at <u>https://</u> forms.gle/YptUwXahFnCbKJwR7



CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Do your children like to sing? Are you looking for ways to involve them in Sunday Mass? Consider enrolling your children in the St. Thomas More Children's Choir for children in Grade 3 through 9. Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings from September to May from 6:15-7 pm. The choir sings regularly at Sunday masses throughout the year.

MUSIC MINISTRY/ADULT CHOIR

Are you looking for a way to develop and share your musical talents with our parish? Do you like to sing? Or do you play an instrument? STM Music Ministry is looking for parishioners to help the choir lead the congregation in worship through sung prayer. The massed choir sings at all parish special events (including Christmas and Easter Triduum) and smaller groups sing at all Sunday masses. Combined rehearsals are Thursday evenings from September to June.

For more info, call Johanna Dietrich, Music Ministry Coordinator, at johanna.dietrich@caedm.ca or 780-919-3747.

CWL Spring Potluck



Tuesday June 13 2023 Parish Hall Starts after 5 p.m. Mass

- Service Awards
- Entertainment
- Door Prizes

All Ladies of STM Parish welcome!

Bring something to share at Dinner



Later Marriage Preparation Saturday, June 24

Suitable for couples who have convalidations, second marriages, later marriages, or common-law. If you are seeking to receive the Sacrament of Marriage, please call the office (780-434-6313) for eligibility. We're here to support you on a case-by-case basis to help complete what is already begun.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Mondays 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

For all the sick, homebound and hospitalized, especially Lucy Longo, Louise Geddes, Charlotte Henderson, Darren Day, Carol Hodson, Joyce Dillan, and Nik Zyrewsky, that they may be comforted in the tender care of God.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED For our departed brothers and sisters, especially Anne-Marie Stacey and Roger Paradis, that they may rejoice forever in the glorious life of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

- The funeral for Roger Paradis will be Tuesday, June 20 at 11:00 AM.
- The funeral for Anne-Marie Stacey will be Wednesday, June 28 at 11:00 AM.