



# ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PARISH

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Pastor: **Fr. Mark McGee** Supply Priest: **Fr. Jozef Wroblewski** Seminary Intern: **Noah Kungel**

Permanent Deacons: **Randy Abele, Tom Sudsbear & Gordon Taylor**

Office Hours: Mon - Thu 9 am - 9pm | Fri 9 am - 4 pm | Sat 8:30am - 2 pm | Sun 1 pm - 4:30 pm, Closed on Stat Holidays

## November 2, 2025



### WEEKDAY LITURGIES (NOV 4 – NOV 7)

**Tue:** No Mass-Priests at Mid-term assembly

**Wed:** No Mass-Priests at Mid-term assembly

**Thurs:** No Mass-Priests at Mid-term assembly

**1st Fri:** Confession/Mass: 8:15/9am

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** 45 MINUTES  
BEFORE WEEKDAY MASS & Saturday, 3 pm to 4 pm.

### SUNDAY MASS TIMES (NOV 8 & 9)

**1st Saturday:** Mass at 9am  
Communal Rosary 3:55/Mass 4:30 pm

**Sunday:** Communal Rosary 7:25/Mass 8 am  
Mass 9:30 am (Rosary in Private)  
Mass 11am (Rosary in Private)  
Mass 12:30pm (Rosary in Private)



### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

**Sun, Nov 02:** Mass at 8am, 9:30am, 11am & 12:30pm  
1st Eucharist Mass (Cycle 1) at 4:30pm

**Mon, Nov 03:** Baptism Prep, 7 to 8:30pm

**Tue, Nov 04:** No Mass- Priests at Mid-term assembly  
1st Recon./1st Eucharist, (cycle#2) Parent Info. -6:15pm

**Wed, Nov 05:** No Mass- Priests at Mid-term assembly  
Confirmation, Class #7, 6:30-8:30pm  
Confirmation Prep #2 for Catholic Adults, 7 to 9 pm

**Thurs, Nov 06:** Game Zone, 12:30pm—3:30pm  
No Mass- Priests at Mid-term assembly  
Children's choir at 6:15pm  
Knights of Columbus Exec meeting at 7pm  
Adult choir at 7pm  
Grief as a Journey to Emmaus, 7 to 9pm

**1st Fri, Nov 07:** Confession/Mass: 8:15/9am  
**First Friday** 1st Friday Adoration & Benediction, 9:30-12pm  
Humanum Project for High Schoolers, 7 to 9pm

**1st Sat, Nov 08:** Rosary before Mass at 8:30am  
**FIRST SATURDAY** Mass at 9am, Rosary Talk to follow  
Baptism Prep, 10 to 11:30am  
Confession/Mass: 3-4pm/4:30pm  
Humanum Project for Young adults, 7 to 11pm

**Sun, Nov 09:** Mass at 8am, 9:30am, 11am & 12:30pm  
Younger Families Ministry after 9:30am Mass

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**Nov 10 & 11:** Church & Office closed— Remembrance day weekend

**Thurs. Nov 13:** Game Zone, 12:30 to 3:30pm

**Sat. Nov 15:** Confirmation Youth Retreat & Recon. day, 9:30am to 2:30pm & Retreat for Adult Confirmation prep, 1pm to 3:30pm

### Celebrating Anniversaries

As requested by Pope Francis, we celebrate the commitment to Marriage:

**Sharma & Fatima**

**50th Wedding Anniversary**



May God bless you and deepen your love for each other!

### St. Thomas More Parish Stewardship Prayer

God of all Blessings, in gratitude for the abundant gifts you have so graciously given to St. Thomas More parish, help us to be faithful stewards that we might return to you the first fruits of these gifts, by generous acts of regular giving, service to our parish, and support of the Divine Mercy Project, Amen. Please consider increasing your regular sustainable donations.

**Help build a legacy of Faith, Hope, and Discipleship.**





# Sunday Gospel Reflection

By Deacon Tom



## Compassion (Luke 7:11-17)

Jesus is moved with compassion, stops the funeral, and performs a miracle, illustrating to us the most important virtue of all; to be compassionate as he and our heavenly Father are compassionate.

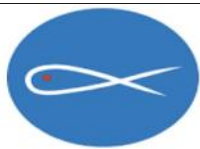
Jesus gave sight so that the blind could see God's marvels; healed the deaf so they could hear God's word; healed the mute so they could proclaim God's glory and healed the lame so they could walk in God's ways.

Jesus has compassion for all mankind. He may not always save a beloved one from an early death, or save us from a long illness, but our request is answered in another way, for he knows what our real needs are. The widow didn't ask for a miracle because Jesus read her grieved heart and answered her unspoken wish.

God gives us grace to aid us when he commands us to obey him and his grace is always sufficient to sustain us in whatever he asks us to do.

Our religion teaches us that trials and troubles are a very important part of our training for heaven and when God sends a cross, he also gives us the strength to shoulder it. There are saints in heaven today who would not be there if God had not sent trials and hardships to them during their earthly lives.

Let us experience the compassion of Jesus, for our reward will not be simply life as he gave to the son of the widow of Naim, but eternal life in heaven.



**Society of  
Saint Vincent de Paul**

THANK YOU!

Our semi-annual Charity Sale was a success thanks to our donors and volunteers. The funds raised will assist the growing number of needy in our Edmonton communities. As this need continues to grow, your continued support is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

## Prayer Corner...

### Prayer for the Sick



### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

For those struggling with sickness, facing surgery, or in recovery, especially Marian Coderre, Albert Chrumka, Lucy Longo, Darren Day, Marcella Cloran, Carl & Jackie Blansjaar, Orest Witiw, Julie Lee, Emma Cimat, Tammy Massa, Michael Nazareth, Ashley West, Stelios Kiliaris, Alfred Morrill, Lillian Gartner, Bob Gerow, Mary Jane Olivier, Chloe Aranha, Leticia Bondoc, Connie Reed, Guenivere Swan, Jayantha Wickrama, Bishop Greg Bittman, Terry McGhee, Leticia Amador, Robert Gibeault, Beth Garcia, Micheline Yu, Sam Amelio, John Lazaruk, Rudy Pisesky, Mariam Azizi, Michael Cummings & Mary Kutty Matthew that they may be given the strength and guidance they seek.



### PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED:

for those who have gone into the presence of our Father, and for those whose names are recorded in the parish Book of Remembrance, especially for Bill Hoffman, Anne Patricia Andrews, Erin Gaudet & Lori Jayne Bie that He will raise them up to live forever.



**The 35th Annual Juniors Retreat**

*"Junior Legionaries: Walking together with Mary as Pilgrims of Hope"*

SATURDAY  
NOVEMBER 15, 2025  
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Corpus Christi Parish  
2707 34 St NW, Edmonton, AB T6T 1P5

AGES 6-17 YEARS OLD  
FREE LUNCH AND SNACKS INCLUDED



SCAN HERE TO RSVP  
Must RSVP before October 31, 2025

For inquiries please email us at  
lom.juniorsretreat@gmail.com

## CWL Marian Centre Collection



For the entire month of November, the CWL will be collecting items to support the work of the Marian Centre. Winter is nearly upon us, and many vulnerable people need warm clothes to help them get through the cold weather months. The Marian Centre is asking for:

- men's long johns in all sizes (women just wear men's)
- good quality gloves for winter (no red gloves please)

There will be a box inside the front doors where you can put your donations.



You can now register on our website—  
for the following Sacraments:

**1st Reconciliation and 1st Eucharist—**

Winter Cycle 2 -  
Parent Orientation  
on Nov 4 at 6:15pm



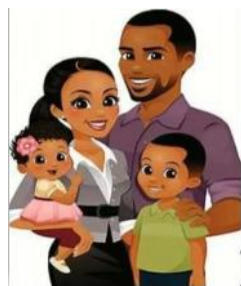
**Confirmation—**

Spring Cycle 2 -  
Parent Orientation is on  
Jan 28 at 6:30pm



# Mass of Remembrance

Wednesday, November 19 at 7pm



**St. Thomas More  
Afro-Heritage Mass  
(STMAHC)**

“St. Thomas More Afro  
Heritage Mass” will be on  
November 16 at 4:30pm.

The next **Marriage Preparation** program at



Marriage  
Preparation

St. Thomas More will take  
place on March 20-22, 2026.  
For information and to register  
[https://stmedmonton.flocknote.com/  
signup/226736](https://stmedmonton.flocknote.com/signup/226736) and complete the  
form. The registration deadline is on February 20, 2026.

# MAN & WOMAN

*He Created Them*

*An electrifying event that sparks positive change in your  
Christian community around identity, sexuality, & relationships.*



WITH **BRENDAN MCCAULEY**

Music by Rachel & Matthias Barter

St. Thomas More Parish  
EDMONTON, AB

**Fri, Nov 7 | Gr. 7-12  
7:00pm-9:30pm**

- Dynamic Presentation
- Praise and Worship
- Q&A discussion
- Appetizers & Drinks

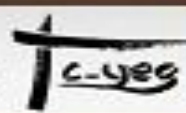


**Sat, Nov 8 | YA (18+)  
7:00pm-11:00pm**

- Dynamic Presentation
- Praise and Worship
- Dancing
- Appetizers & Drinks

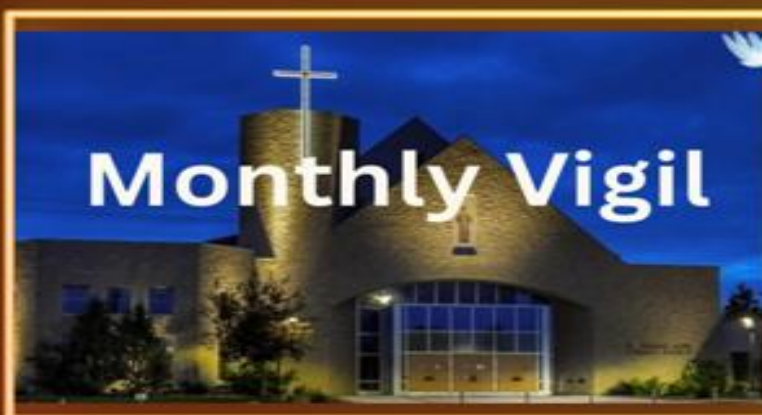


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Archdiocese  
of Edmonton



## THRONE OF MERCY CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

St. Thomas More Catholic Church Edmonton



# Monthly Vigil

**1st Fridays of Month**

At

**Venue:** St. Thomas More Catholic Church Edmonton  
210 Haddow Close NW, Edmonton, AB T6R 2P3

**Time:** 10pm - 2am

For Enquiry Contact:  
Sis. Mildred - (780) 668-4175



# be it done



Learn more at: [CAedm.ca](http://CAedm.ca)

## Pastoral Priorities of the Archdiocese

### worship

We are a faith community that understands and joyfully celebrates the Eucharist.

### witness

We are a faith community confident in proclaiming the Great Story to our work and life communities.

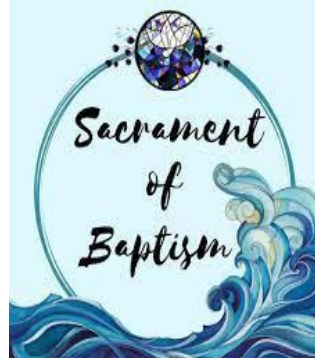
### service

We are a faith community that supports families, and recognizes marriage and family are the core of God's plan.

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



**NEW PARISHIONERS:** Welcome! We value your friendship and your dedication to the life of this parish. Registration clearly announces your arrival in the parish and enables us to communicate with you as soon as possible, this is important. Parish membership is essential before some sacraments may be administered. This is particularly true of Baptism, Confirmation, and Marriage. Registration is an effective initiation tool into the life of the parish and helps us to best serve your interests and that of your family. A "New Parishioner Welcome" happens usually twice a year.



**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** We are delighted to celebrate the Sacrament of Children's Baptism throughout the year, except during Advent and Lent. For infants and children under 7 years old, baptisms are typically held once or twice monthly. For older children, aged 7 to 15, we offer "Later Baptism" followed by other age-appropriate sacraments 2-3 times per school year. Please note that Nov. 30, 2025, and Feb. 7, 2026 are the only 2 remaining Accommodated Baptisms available for the older children during this school year. Parents and godparents are required to complete a Baptism Preparation program. We encourage you to review the [Baptism Requirements document](#) on our website [under the page of Sacraments & Baptism](#). This document provides details on registration (pages 1-2), preparation options (page 3), and available baptism schedule (pages 4-6). Please be aware that registration requirements must be completed 2 weeks prior to the baptism date, and bookings fill up quickly. We strongly encourage all parents, including expectant parents, to begin the registration process as early as possible. If you wish to register for the upcoming baptism celebrations on Nov. 16, 23 or 30, or the in-person preparation sessions on Nov. 3 or 8, please contact Tracy Lam at (780) 434-6313 ext. 233, or email [Baptism.STM@caedm.ca](mailto:Baptism.STM@caedm.ca) for assistance.



**SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST COMMUNION:** Most Catholic children receive their First Holy Communion when they are 7 or 8 years old, as this is considered the age of reason. **Registration for cycle 2 is now open!**



**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION:** In the Archdiocese of Edmonton, most young people receive the sacrament when they are 11-12 years old. **Registration for Cycle 2 is now open!**



**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:** "Time to buy the ring!" Please give 6 months notice in booking your wedding date! Step one is to meet with the priest, even before booking a hall. Time is needed to accommodate the preparation of wedding documents and attending a Catholic Marriage Preparation program. St. Thomas More runs its program annually in mid-March. Watch for details. Other programs are available in the Diocese. If you are considering a non-Catholic wedding, please don't! Civil weddings or ones done by a non-Catholic minister of religion are not sacramentally valid. The logic is simple. Weddings outside the church often result in families outside the church. Catholics are obliged to be married in the presence of a priest, in the consecrated space of a church dedicated to the celebration of all sacraments. Being married by a random person in a random place does not represent the kind of intention one would hope to have on one of the most anticipated days of one's life. Consider prayerfully the dignity of this sacrament of love at the service of the gospel, that, as St. Paul says, is a symbol of the love of Christ for His bride, the Church. We welcome the opportunity to support you in your journey towards the joyful celebration of your marriage!



**FOR LATER MARRIAGES:** For those married civilly or in a common-law arrangement, please consider completing the Sacrament of Marriage by a process of Convalidation. Later marriage preparation is available to you. We are happy to accommodate you.



**RCIA:** Adults (16+years old) seeking to become Catholic, please speak to Paul Givens. Inquirers are always welcome. Please drop by the Parish office or call (780) 434 6313. This is also an opportunity for renewal of Catholic Adults. Runs early September to Easter/Pentecost. Meets Thursday evenings 7 to 9pm.



**PASTORAL/TEACHER REFERENCES** Teacher references for registered parishioners, are completed twice a year, in the Fall and late Spring. Please complete your portion of the reference provided by your school district and send it via email to [communications.stm@caedm.ca](mailto:communications.stm@caedm.ca) or drop off a copy at the office.



**SICK AND SHUT-IN'S:** To request Holy Communion please call the parish office, (780) 434 6313. **Volunteers needed!!**