



# ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC PARISH

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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



## May 10, 2026 6th Sunday of Easter

### WEEKDAY LITURGIES (MAY 12 – MAY 15)

**Tuesday:** Confession/Mass: 4:15/5pm  
**Wednesday:** Confession/Mass: 8:15/9am  
**Thursday:** No Mass due to Priest Assembly  
**Friday:** No Mass due to Priest Assembly

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday, 3pm to 4 pm.

### SUNDAY MASS TIMES (MAY 16 & MAY 17)

**Saturday:** 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)

IF YOU LOVE ME,  
OBEY MY COMMANDMENTS.



### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

**Sunday, May 10:** Mass at 8am, 9:30am, 11am & 12:30pm  
 Mother's Day Rose sale after all Masses

**Monday, May 11:** Baptism Prep, 7 to 8:30pm

**Tuesday, May 12:** Confession/Mass: 4:15/5pm  
 CWL Fellowship at 5:30pm  
 1st Recon/1st Eucharist class at 6:15pm  
 Knights of Columbus meeting at 7pm  
 Legion of Mary at 7pm

**Wednesday, May 13:** Confession/Mass: 8:15/9am

**Thursday, May 14:** **No Game Zone**  
No Mass due to Priest Assembly  
No Adult Choir  
 Grief as a Journey to Emmaus at 7pm

**Friday, May 15:** **No Mass** due to Priest Assembly  
 Theology on Tap @ 7pm

**Saturday, May 16:** Confession/Mass: 3-4pm/4:30pm

**Sunday, May 17:** Mass at 8am, 9:30am, 11am & 12:30pm



### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**Mon. May 18:** Victoria Day-Church & Office are closed

**Tue May 19:** Adult Confirmation class at 7pm

**Thurs. May 21:** Mother Margaret Mary school retreat, 9am to 3pm  
 Deanery Day, 10:30am to 4pm

**Sat. May 23:** Later Marriage prep, 9am to 2:30pm

### Knights of Columbus, Mothers Day Rose Sales



*Weekend of May 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> after all Masses, roses will sell for \$4 each or 3 for \$10. All proceeds go towards Pregnancy Support & Life Advocacy efforts*

# Sunday Gospel Reflection

By Deacon Tom



## The Holy Spirit. Our Advocate (John 14:15-21)

The Spirit is our Paraclete, our Advocate and the reason for our hope, for it is the Spirit who strengthens us, comforts us, guides us and inspires us.

Life in the Spirit requires that we conform our lives to the commandments of God, not in a constraining way (like the Pharisees) but out of love. Love is the greatest motivation for a relationship with God and for serving Him, as obedience to God's commands comes from our hearts.

Love prompts us to model our lives after Jesus; to live with clear consciences, gentleness and reverence, for the love that comes to us through the Holy Spirit overflows into the lives of others.

The Holy Spirit is communicated to believers by the apostolic

laying on of hands, a gesture signifying the transmission of a blessing to others. This happens everyday in the gentle touch of friends, in the loving touch of parents and grandparents, and in the healing touch of those who cure both body and spirit.

Let us learn, through Jesus, the important role the Holy Spirit plays in the Church as our advocate and protector. Let us pray to the Holy Spirit, asking for his help in strengthening our faith. The Holy Spirit of Truth, whom Jesus promised to send us, is with us forever and will never desert us.

Knowing our human weaknesses, Jesus and the Father sent the Holy Spirit to remain with us, to continually help, strengthen and guide us until we have all entered heaven.

### 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 Lucy Longo, Darren Day, Marcella Cloran, Carl & Jackie Blansjaar, Orest Witiw, Julie Lee, Ashley West, Stelios Kiliaris, Alfred Morrill, Lillian Gartner, Bob Gerow, Mary Jane Olivier, Guenivere Swan, Jayantha Wickrama, Robert Gibeault, Beth Garcia, Micheline Yu, Rudy Pisesky, Mariam Azizi, Greg Wademan, Anna Rayar, Lorraine Kasha, Charlotte Henderson, Maureen Neville, Mary Kutty Matthew, Narinder Kaur, Adriana Cordero, Mary Morris, Gloria Lamigo, Eric Simpson, Jennifer Crocker, Wendy Derdak, Greg Nelson, Ruth Harrison, Veronica Sprysak, Sam Amelio, Fern Beaudoin, Fr. Mark McGee, Zachary Tavares, Pat Heddleston, Zack Norman, Nora Nolden, Sandra Jardine & Patsy Kelly 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 Rita L'Heureux, Joseph Fernandez, Antonio Borrelli, Ludwig (Louie) Zsoldos, Dolores Aquin, Oliver O'Connor & Isabelle Zielinski, that He will raise them up to live forever.



You can register at

<https://stm.caedm.ca/> for the sacrament of

**First Reconciliation & First Communion**  
(Summer Intensive)

July 13 to July 17: 10am to 11:30am

July 19 at 4:30 pm (Sacrament of First Holy Communion)

**Pansy update:** Please pick-up your pansy orders at the St. Thomas More hall on May 10 after the 11:00am Mass:

- For those who have not picked up their order, please call Marge.
- Alternatively, if you are not able to pickup on Sunday, May 10 after the 11:00am Mass, kindly contact Marge (780) 952-6931 to make arrangements.



A bed to sleep in, a table and chairs to share a meal with family, a comfortable chair in which to rest at the end of the day. These are some of the items our Furniture Team provides to our friends in need. **The Society of St. Vincent de Paul** is desperately seeking truck drivers and movers to volunteer for this important ministry. Pick ups and deliveries occur on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from approximately 8am to 1pm. The amount of time you volunteer is at your discretion – no need to volunteer each week. If you are interested in learning more about this role, please contact Beth at [beth.ssvpdm@gmail.com](mailto:beth.ssvpdm@gmail.com).

# DIVINE MERCY PROJECT RAFFLE STARTS MAY 2

**CATHOLIC PARISH OF**  
**ST. THOMAS MORE**  
*Divine Mercy Project Raffle*  
AGLC License # 778449

**Draw Date: Sunday, Aug 9, 2026**  
**@ 2pm - Church Hall**

**Total Tickets Printed: 750 @ \$20**  
**Must be 18+ to purchase**

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize: Vamoose Ranger X ST E-Bike** Retail value \$2499

**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: \$2000 Cash**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: Oilers Jersey C. McDavid** Value \$310

**4<sup>th</sup> Prize: Oilers Jersey L. Draisaitl** Value \$310

**PRICE: \$20**



Tickets available for purchase before and after all weekend masses from May 2 to August 9

**CATHOLIC EDUCATION SUNDAY**

**THANK YOU**

to our Edmonton Catholic School District teachers and school staff.

Your dedication, compassion and witness of faith shape minds, nurture hearts, and help build God's Kingdom every day.

We see you. We appreciate you.

*We are grateful for you.*

**EDMONTON CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**

*Inspiring Faith.  
Nurturing Hope.  
Building Tomorrow.*

“ Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. ”  
- MATTHEW 5:16

Thank you for the countless ways you teach, guide, inspire and care for our students and school communities.

*Catholic Education: We are called to love, learn and lead.*



**THE ALBERTA MARCH FOR LIFE**

# MAY 14, 2026

**10:00AM**  
Pro-Life Mass at St. Joseph Basilica, 10044 113 Street, Edmonton

**12:00PM**  
Rally and March at Violet King Henry Plaza, north of the Legislature Grounds

**2:30PM**  
Afternoon sessions at Polish Hall. *Pro-Life Apologetics 101* hosted by CCBP.

**6:00PM**  
Rose Dinner at Polish Hall with Keynote Speaker *Melissa Ohden*, an abortion survivor, author of *You Carried Me* and founder of the Abortion Survivors Network.  
Cost: \$60 per person - 10960 104 Street NW, Edmonton

**TO REGISTER FOR THE APOLOGETICS WORKSHOP AND THE ROSE DINNER PLEASE VISIT [ALBERTAMARCHFORLIFE.COM](http://ALBERTAMARCHFORLIFE.COM)**

**Join thousands at this peaceful event to show the size, strength and solidarity of the pro-life movement to the public and government.**

**INVITE OTHERS PLEASE SHARE**

## What's coming up?

# May 2026

### Youth & Family Ministry Events

- May 1 - Friends of Frassati (Ages 18-35)
- May 7 - Game Zone (Gr. 1-6)
- May 9 - Duc In Altum (Gr.7-9) & Verso L'Alto (Gr. 10-12)
- May 13 - Moms & Tots
- May 14 - Game Zone (Gr. 1-6) (Cancelled)
- May 15 - Friends of Frassati Theology on Tap (Ages 18-35)
- May 21 - Game Zone (Gr. 1-6)
- May 23 - Duc In Altum (Gr.7-9) & Verso L'Alto (Gr.10-12)
- May 24 - Younger Families Ministry
- May 27 - Moms & Tots
- May 28 - Game Zone (Gr. 1-6)
- May 29 - Friends of Frassati Theology on Tap (Ages 18-35)

### Feast days

May 06 - St. Francois De Laval

May 24 - Pentacost

May 26 - St. Philip Neri

Scan for more information or email [shavi.perera@caedm.ca](mailto:shavi.perera@caedm.ca)

You can register at <https://stm.caedm.ca/> for the sacrament of **Confirmation** (Summer Intensive)

(Monday – Thursday – Children to bring bagged lunch and drink;

Friday – Lunch provided by St. Thomas More)

<b>Aug 11, 6:30-8pm</b>	Parent & Child Orientation
<b>Aug 17, 18,19, 20 &amp; 21</b>	Catechetical classes from 10am to 2:30pm
<b>Aug 21:</b>	Confessions from 12:30pm to 2:30pm

## Confirmation Mass, August 23 at 3pm

The Knights of Columbus, Fr. Bonner Council, is looking to recognize exemplary youth leadership with the **Youth Icon Awards 2026**: A Model Youth. We want to celebrate the faith and values of the young leaders in our parish!

**Eligibility:** Open for students in Junior High & High School.

**The Prize:** An opportunity to win \$250, a certificate, and a plaque.

**How to Apply:** It is a 2-step process. First, nominate or self-nominate a committed Catholic youth by filling out a simple online application form. Second, candidates will participate in a short interview.

**Where to find the form:** The application forms are available on <https://kofc7599.kofc.ab.ca/resources/events> or use QR code on the posters located in the church foyer.

**Deadline:** Application end date is May 31st, 2026

**Questions?**  
Please contact our coordinators:  
Jason Kalapurakal: 587 985 0450  
Tony Joseph: 780 9774921  
Derek Yee 780 909 6286

### North of 60 – Fort Good Hope

The sea can that was filled with your generous donations in October has not yet left Edmonton. The winter road situation and the company we contracted made it difficult to transport this winter. The family whose transport we were to use could still use your prayers – their 11 year old daughter is still in Toronto fighting cancer, and her grandmother (from Good Hope) just died. I went to Good Hope to lead the funeral service. What does that mean? It means we will try and ship the sea can (which, by the way, has 18 mattresses added to it, bibles, plus more flour...) via barge this summer. The barge service is no longer free for us anymore. The original budget was to transport from Edmonton directly to Good Hope for \$4,000. Bottom line: We need **your financial help** this year. Please donate money so that we can ship the sea can by truck to Hay River then by barge to Good Hope (with our prayers so that the river is navigable this summer). Thank you for your prayers and donations! Mark your donations North of 60 please. Roger Plouffe/SSVP North of 60/Fort Good Hope Contact