

St. Thomas More Parish: 15 Templebow Road NE, Calgary AB T1Y 6J3

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Office Hours: Monday & Sunday - Closed

Tuesday to Saturday - 10:00am to 3:00pm

A collaborative ministry of the Carmelite Fathers and Lay Parishioners



Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025

Pastor:

Fr. Jerald D'Souza, OCD

Associate Pastor:

Fr. Alexander Braganza, OCD

Permanent Deacons:

Deacon Norman Dumais

Deacon Dale Laing

Deacon in Formation:

Cruzel Lacao

Office Assistant:

Rachael Ramaswamy

Administrative Assistant:

Fe Badajos

Bookkeeper:

Cindy Kreutzer

Hospitality:

Everyone in the Parish!

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Monday to Saturday: 9:00am

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am, 10:30am,

12:30pm & 5:00pm

Igbo Mass:

First Sunday of the Month:

2:00pm

Adoration:

First Friday of the month:

9:30am to Noon

Reconciliation:

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday:

After the morning Mass

Saturday: 3:00pm to 3:45pm

Baptisms:

An initial appointment with one of the Priests is required before attending a session.

Confirmation:

Registration is closed.

Society of St. Vincent De Paul:

(403) 975-4318 (Food Hampers)



Dear Brothers and Sisters, and Parish Family,

As we look around our world today, it is easy to feel overwhelmed. Wars continue to rage, families struggle with uncertainties, economic pressures weigh heavily, and creation itself cries out for healing. And yet, in the midst of it all, Easter comes—not as a denial of pain, but as a bold declaration of hope. The Resurrection of Jesus Christ is not just a story from long ago—it is a living, life-giving reality. It reminds us that even when all seems lost, God is still at work. The tomb is empty. The stone is rolled away. Death does not have the final word. Christ is Risen—and because He lives, we have hope. Hope that God is with us, even in the struggle. Hope that love is stronger than hate. Hope that peace is still possible. Hope that light will always overcome the darkness.

We see how many of you carry burdens quietly, pray faithfully, and serve with love despite the challenges around us. You are signs of Easter hope in our parish and community. We thank God for each of you, and pray that this Easter brings a renewed sense of His presence and peace in your lives. Let us be the Resurrection people in a wounded world—choosing faith over fear, compassion over hatred, and joy over despair. May the Risen Lord fill your hearts and homes with His unshakable peace.

As we gather to celebrate the joy of Easter, my heart is full of deep gratitude. From the youngest to the eldest, thank you for your faithful presence, your prayers, your service, and your love for the Church. To all who serve in our various ministries, who give generously, who come to worship, who care for one another, and who carry the spirit of Christ into your homes and workplaces—you are the heartbeat of our parish. Your commitment and devotion are a true reflection of the living Christ. You inspire us, and we are blessed to walk this journey of faith with you.

A special word of thanks, especially to Saba Baarez, Rooben Dhiran, Gerry Kilroe, Nancy and Larry Hyunh, Rebecca Molina, our altar servers, the RCIA team, our lectors, ministers of hospitality, sacristans, those who prepared the liturgies, created the PowerPoint presentations, led us in music, decorated the altar, cleaned the church, and all our incredible volunteers who have helped us throughout Lent and Holy Week—who served quietly and faithfully to uplift the beauty and meaning of our Easter celebration. Your Lenten contributions, seen and unseen, have touched our hearts. May the Risen Lord bless you and your families with peace, joy, and renewed strength. Let us go forward as witnesses to the Resurrection, bringing His light and love into the world around us.

Wishing you and your loved ones a joyful, blessed, and hope-filled Easter!

In the Risen Christ, Alleluia,
Fr. Jerry and Fr. Alex.

Weekly Mass Intentions: Apr. 21 to Apr. 27

Apr. 21	Mon	9:00am	Salome Jurado (INT) Edgar Roxas (INT) Anthony CL (INT) Myrna Mateo (RIP)
Apr. 22	Tue	9:00am	Tess & Cen Marcelo (INT) Larry Huynh (INT) Xavier Dourado (RIP)
Apr. 23	Wed	9:00am	Thomas Blanco (INT) Ian Fischer (RIP) Peter Tai Nguyen (RIP) Soledad Yu (RIP)
Apr. 24	Thu	9:00am	Raea Kanna (INT) Irene Roxas (INT) Flora Reyes & Family (INT) Joachim Nguyen (RIP)
Apr. 25	Fri	9:00am	Rosario Gutierrez (RIP) Salud Gaoat (RIP) Lily Lim (RIP)
Apr. 26	Sat	9:00am 4:00pm	Lloyd Richardson (RIP) Brigida Evangelista (RIP) Danny & Evelyn Serrano (INT) Ligaya San Juan (RIP)
Apr. 27	Sun	8:30am 10:30am 12:30pm 5:00pm	Jacinta Palkya (RIP) Teresita Vierende (RIP) Philip Peralta (RIP) Eleodoro & E. Pasadilla (RIP) Mario & M. Peribias (RIP) For the People (INT) Terry & Merle Gonsalves (INT)

TOGETHER IN ACTION

The TIA 2025 is \$49,139.00

Collection up-to-date \$18,206.00

All surplus will go towards repair and renovation of the basement washrooms.

Confirmation Dates for 2025

Sat., April 26 from 10am to noon — Retreat

Easter Basket Raffle—Important Announcement

Due to the overwhelming response to the Easter Basket Raffle Ticket Sales, we are holding a 2nd Raffle Draw for tickets 501-1000 due to AGLC licensing requirements. There will be now two (2) each of First, Second and Third Gift Baskets valued at \$500, \$300 and \$200 to be drawn on Saturday, April 26, 2025 after the 4:00pm Mass.

Thank you for your continued support!

Congratulations to all First Holy Communicants who will celebrate Holy Communion (6pm to 8pm):

Our Lady of Mount Carmel group—Tue., April 22

St. Joseph group—Wed., April 23 &

St. Thomas More group—Thu., April 24 and

those who are unable to attend their respective dates on **Fri., April 25.**



Divine Mercy Sunday Prayers

Sunday, April 27 from 2:00pm to 3:15pm. Please join us in celebrating the Divine Mercy Sunday with Reconciliation, the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Adoration and Benediction and the singing of the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

St. Thomas More Parish
is honored to welcome
the internationally acclaimed
St. Michael's Choir School from Toronto
on Saturday, April 26, 2025.

Join us for the
Saturday 4:00pm Anticipated Mass,
featuring the school's **Junior Choir,**
followed by a special post-Mass concert
by the **Senior Choir.**

Experience the beauty and power
of sacred and classical choral music
performed by one of Canada's premiere choral
institutions.
All are welcome!

Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibition **at St. Luke's Calgary**

The Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibition created by Blessed Carlos Acutis will be here at St. Luke's Parish in Calgary from **Thursday, May 1 to Sunday, May 4 from 8:30am to 8:30pm.**

This displays shows stories, photographs and drawings from each of the miracles recognized by the church. All are welcome.

Vocations Rally

God calls each of us for a unique and meaningful purpose. Join us in fostering a culture where every calling-priesthood, consecrated life, marriage, permanent diaconate, or lay vocations is nurtured and celebrated! When: **Pentecost Sunday, June 8, 2025 - from 11am to 4:30pm.** Discover, support, and pray for vocations in our Diocese!

Veneration of the Relic of St. Francis Assisi **at St. Michael**

Join Saint Michael Catholic Community for a peaceful evening of prayer and reflection through the **Solemn Veneration of the relic of St. Francis of Assisi.**

Mass, veneration, and fellowship.

Wednesdays, April 23, May 21, June 25.

Mass at 6pm, followed by a reception at 7:15pm. The relic will also be available for veneration after Easter Sunday Masses (9am, 11am, 5pm).