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February 24/25, 2024 Second Sunday of Lent

PASTOR: Fr. Jerald D'Souza, OCD	ASSOCIATE PASTOR: Fr. Alexander Braganza,	
	OCD	
PERMANENT DEACON: Deacon Norman Dumais	Office Assistant: Rachael Ramaswamy	
Deacon Dale Laing	Administrative Assistant: Fe Badajos	
BOOKKEEPER: Cindy Kreutzer	HOSPITALITY: Everyone in the Parish!	
WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE	WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE	
Monday to Saturday: 9:00am	Saturday 4:00pm	
First Friday: 9:00am	Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am, 12:30pm & 5:00pm	
	(Igbo Mass: First Sunday of the Month at 2:00pm)	
Adoration: First Friday of the Month 9:30am to Noon	Anointing of the Sick: Please call the Parish Office Reconciliation: Wednesday, Thursday & Friday:	
Baptisms: An initial appointment with one of the Priests	After the morning Mass Saturday: 3:00pm to 3:45pm	
is required before attending a session.	Society of St. Vincent De Paul: (403) 975-4318	
	(Food Hampers)	

Please remember St. Thomas More Parish in your Will. For more information, please visit www.plantingafuture.ca. There is a booklet on this website to help you with your bequest.

God's Mission For me

It was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. (Psalm 139.13-14) You too need to see the entirety of your life as a mission. Try to do so by listening to God in Prayer and listening to the signs he gives you. Always ask the spirit what Jesus expects from you at every moment of your life and in every decision you must make so as to discern its place in the mission you have received.

(Guadete et Exsultate, 23)

- Do I see myself as playing a role in the unfolding of God's plan for humanity?
- How do I discern God's will for my life?
- Do I value my own desires for wealth, public acclaim and personal comfort more than I value carrying out my God-given mission?

Lent

Fridays in the Season of lent bear the theme **Forty Days with Jesus.**

Masses are at 9:00am & 6:30pm Stations of the Cross will be at 7:00pm

followed by spiritual reflection & Adoration.

Fri., Mar. 1, 2024: Fr. Alexander Braganza, OCD Fri., Mar. 8, 2024: Fr. Julian Studden Fri., Mar. 15, 2024: Fr. Shibu Kallarakkal and Fri., Mar. 22, 2024: Fr. Jerald D'Souza, OCD

Lenten Reconciliation Dates

Thu., Mar. 14, 2024 : 7:00pm-8:30pm

Sat., Mar. 16, 2024 : 1:30pm-3:30pm

Weekly Mass Intentions: February 26 to March 3

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Mon	26	9:00am	Kingsley Rodrigo RIP) Eduardo & Lydia Espiritu (RIP) Sister Mary Delores (RIP)
Tue	27	9:00am	Fortunata Tesalona (RIP) Joanne Marie Craig (RIP) Thanksgiving intention to St. Joseph (INT)
Wed	28	9:00am	Guadalupe Cristobal (RIP) Eduardo De Leon (RIP) Michael Ngalot (INT)
Thu	29	9:00am	Marlyn Labiuk & Family (INT) Patricia Annandsingh (RIP) Felipe C. Vargas (RIP)
Fri	1	9:00am	Nguyen Family Thanksgiving (INT) Souls in Purgatory (RIP)
		6:30pm	Lawrence Chin (RIP)
Sat	2	9:00am	Joseph Anna Tran(RIP) Teresita Martinez RIP)
		4:00pm	Ambrose Walton (RIP)
Sun	3	8:30am 10:30am	Mickey & Juliet Mendes (RIP) Narlo Serquina (RIP)
		12:30pm	Emmanuel & Emily Cristobal (INT) Mario Pajela (RIP)
		5:00pm	For the people (INT)

Together in Action

The TIA 2024 is \$49,139.00 Collection up to February 18 is \$3, 377.00 All Surplus will go to funding the Parish Furnace.

TIA Goal

The Lenten call to almsgiving means making other people's needs become part of our concerns. The Parish goal for the 2024 Together in Action campaign is \$49,139.00. Thank you for your continued generosity in helping to achieve our parish's contribution to the diocesan goal of \$2 million.

With profound regret we inform you of the sad demise of Ambrose Walton, son of Susanna & Bill Walton. The funeral is on March 1 at St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Parish, and the Prayer service on February 29, at 7:00pm at McInnis & Holloway Funeral Home.

NOTE OF THANKS

Under the leadership of Rumold Mascarenhas, supported by Wayne Weisner, Nyles Fernandes, Anthony Dourado, and Terry Long, the church pews have successfully been installed with rubber kneelers. St. Thomas Parish remains ever so grateful to them. We also take this opportunity to thank Brian Strawford, who has been a constant support in the upkeep in the Parish. Congratulations to , Karissa Amakiri, Yael & Yohan Patague, Omar Valle Pereira, and André Mailhot who were baptized in our Parish last week.

40 Hours of Adoration Bishop McNally High School

Please join Bishop McNally High School staff and students for Adoration in our school Chapel for the 40 Hours of Adoration for Vocations initiative Wednesday, February 28, 8:30am to 12:30pm, and/or Mass at 8:45am. To sign up or for more information, please contact the Chaplain Lynne McLaughlin at lynne.mclaughlin@cssd.ab.ca or 403-500-2091 ext. 2370.

World Day of Prayer - Mar 1

The World Day of Prayer is observed annually on the first Friday in March. It is an invitation for Christians to pause and pray together ecumenically and recalls our Christian responsibility to be sensitive to the signs of the times so that we might bring a more authentically Christian dimension to the concerns of our world, our country, and our community. To assist celebrations of the World Day of Prayer, services have been prepared for adults, youth, and children. Resources can be downloaded from the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada website at wicc.org

TABLET REQUIRED

St. Thomas More Parish requires a Tablet for its audio-visual projection. Please contact the Parish office if you'd like to donate the tablet.

Bible Quiz

They Wept - Who are They?

- 1. She stood crying outside the tomb. Jn 20:11
- 2. He went out and wept bitterly. Mt 26:75
- Both were crying as they kissed each other. 1 Sam 1:20
- 4. He wept. Jn 11:35
- 5. Stood behind Jesus, by his feet, crying and wetting his feet with tears. Lk 7:38

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'God Cannot turn away his face from those who cast themselves at his feet with a humble and contrite heart.' St. Alphonsus Liguori