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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



October 26/27, 2024 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastor:

Fr. Jerald D'Souza, OCD

Associate Pastor:

Fr. Alexander Braganza, OCD

Permanent Deacons:

Deacon Norman Dumais

Deacon Dale Laing

Deacon in Training:

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:

To be arranged.

Society of St. Vincent De Paul:

(403) 975-4318 (Food Hampers)



Register Now

Confirmation 2025

St. Thomas More Parish

Children in Grade 6 and up (aged 13 and above) are invited to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Online Registration for Confirmation Preparation

is now OPEN.

visit our website: St. Thomas More website

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: First Reading: Jeremiah 31.7-9

Second Reading: Hebrews 5.1-6

Gospel: Mark 10.46-52

The account of Bartimaeus' recovery of sight is the Gospel of Mark's final account of a miracle before Jesus enters Jerusalem and faces his passion and death. In contrast to previous accounts in Mark, where the "messianic secret" was emphasized, this healing takes place very publicly and is described in great detail, employing even politically-loaded terms like "Son of David," thus identifying Jesus as the King of the Jews. Persistent in faith, Bartimaeus is given sight both physically and spiritually, as evidenced by his decision to become a disciple.

- What part of this passage speaks to you most?
- Do you know someone who is blind – either physically or otherwise? What is it like to relate to this person, and what do you think this person needs most?
- Is it possible for us to know and recognize our own blindness?

What could help us "see" our own blindness of heart?

What qualities in Bartimaeus would you like to develop more within yourself?

(Reflection: adapted from the Diocese of Saskatoon)

The next Sacrament Prep. (First Reconciliation) classes are in the large basement hall on Sat., Nov. 9, 2024

- Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Group at 10:00am
- St. Joseph Group at 1:00pm
- St. Thomas More Group at 2:00pm Sun., Nov. 10, 2024

Weekly Mass Intentions: Oct. 28 to Nov. 3

Oct 28	Mon	9:00am	Souls in Purgatory (RIP) Fidel Revilla (RIP) Nicholas Lanigan (RIP) Maria de Braganza (RIP)
Oct 29	Tue	9:00am	Bill & Doris Rodrigues (RIP) Amparo Flores (INT) Nicholas, Pius, Bill Kamau (RIP)
Oct 30	Wed	9:00am	Consolacion & B. Torres (RIP) Tess & Cen Marcelo (INT)
Oct 31	Thu	9:00am	Sanjay Rosario (INT) Bill Meunier (RIP) Aurora Velasco (INT)
Nov. 1	Fri	9:00am 7:00pm	Souls in Purgatory (RIP) Thanksgiving Nguyen Family (INT) All Souls in Purgatory (RIP)
Nov. 2	Sat	8:00am 9:00am 4:00pm	Vicente Dubria (RIP) M & M. Marcos Magpantay (RIP) M. & M. Santiago Loreco (RIP) Fortunata Tesalona (RIP) Joseph Anna Tran (RIP) Valentin Francis Manbhar (RIP) Ram Chander (RIP) Anamma P.T. (RIP) Leon Schaub's fast recovery (INT)
Nov. 3	Sun	8:30am 10:30am 12:30pm 5:00pm	Clarence Andrade (RIP) Joana, Anton, Anu, Francis Jebu, Pasko (RIP) Sam Seupersad (RIP) Luzviminda Quillan (INT) Maria De Braganza (RIP) Menchu & Marlon Varquez (INT) For the People (INT)

Saints of the Week
Saints Simon and Jude (The Apostles)
Feast Day October 28

Saint Simon and Saint Jude were two of the twelve Apostles chosen by Jesus. They were part of the group that followed Him closely and helped spread His teachings. Even though we don't know much about them, they played an important role in the early Church. They were faithful and dedicated to spreading the Gospel.

Simon is called "the Zealot" to show he had great passion for his faith. He may have been part of a group called the Zealots, who wanted to free the Jewish people from Roman rule. After Jesus' resurrection, Simon traveled to different places to preach about Jesus. Jude is often called "Thaddeus" to make it clear he is not the same person as Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed Jesus. Saint Jude is known for his letter in the New Testament, where he encourages Christians to stay strong in their faith. People also pray to him when they are in hopeless situations. These two saints are remembered together because they are believed to have worked together in their missionary efforts. Tradition says they both preached in Persia and were martyred for their faith. Their feast day is celebrated on October 28.

Young Catholics

Together in Action
The TIA 2024 is \$49,139.00
Collection up to date is \$36,881.00

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
(SERVING FAMILIES IN OUR AREA)



"World Day of the Poor" is in November. Over the last year, requests for food hampers have gone up significantly. Our St. Vincent de Paul volunteers prepare and deliver an average of 57 hampers a month which feeds 114 adults and 100 children. Volunteers from St. Vincent de Paul and our Knights of Columbus will be handing out envelopes over the weekend of Oct. 26 & 27. Your donation will go toward the purchase of food for food hampers, that will help feed families in need in our area.

Daylight Saving Time in 2024 will end on **Sunday, November 3, 2024, at 2:00am.**, when clocks will "fall back" one hour, resulting in an extra hour of sleep. This time shift will also lead to earlier sunrises and earlier sunsets.

I know that without love, all we do is worthless.
St. Therese of the Child Jesus

All Saints Day : Nov. 1 (Masses are at 9am & 7pm)

All Saints Day is a special day for Catholics. It is celebrated on November 1 each year. On this day, we honor all the saints. These include well-known saints and those not officially recognized. The celebration began many centuries ago. The Church wanted to remember all the holy people. These are people who lived good lives and followed Jesus. They are examples for us to follow. All Saints Day is a time to thank God for these saints. We ask for their prayers and help. We believe they are with God in heaven. They can help us live good lives too.

All Souls Day : Nov. 2 (Masses are at 8am, 9am & 4pm)

All Souls' Day is a day when Catholics pray for the souls of the dead. It is celebrated on November 2 every year. On this day, we remember those who have died, especially those in Purgatory. We pray that God will help them on their journey to Heaven. The Catholic Church teaches that Purgatory is a place where souls are purified before entering Heaven. Some souls are not ready to enter Heaven right after death. Our prayers can help them. This is why All Souls' Day is important. .

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