



St. Thomas More Parish

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Summertime Office Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00am – 1:00pm

JULY 22/23, 2017 – 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday at 5:30pm
Sunday 9:00am, 10:45am, 12:30pm & 5:00pm

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Monday, Wednesday to Saturday at 9:00am
Tuesday at 7:00pm and Thursday at 6:45pm
Reconciliation : Tuesday at 6:15pm
Saturday at 4:30pm

ADORATION: FRIDAYS 9:30AM - NOON

Igbo Catholic Community, Adoration Third Saturday of the month at 7:00pm

STEWARDSHIP SAINT *for July*

Saint James (the Greater), Apostle - July 25

Saint James the Greater was one of the apostles closest to Jesus; the others being his younger brother, Saint John the Evangelist and Saint Peter. He is not to be confused with James the Lesser, another one of the twelve apostles, or with James from the *Acts of the Apostles* who was the author of the *Letter of James* and the leader of the Jerusalem community. By the Gospels' accounts, James, born in Galilee, was an ordinary fisherman who showed no signs of being readily able to grasp the genius of his master's life and ministry. He and his brother were even considered "hotheads" as Jesus gave them the nickname "Sons of Thunder" (Mark 3:17). On one occasion, when a Samaritan village refused hospitality to Jesus, they urged him to call down fire from heaven to destroy it, which prompted a stern rebuke from their

rebuke from their teacher (Luke 9:51-56). On another occasion, with uncomprehending ambition, James and his brother made a daring request to sit at Jesus' left and right hands, places of honor in the glory of the kingdom of God. Jesus warns them of the suffering and hardship they will eventually endure in Jesus' name (Mk 10:35-40). What makes this ordinary, impulsive man a stewardship saint, however, is that he allowed Jesus' call to discipleship to cut through his ordinary, everyday life. His response was instant, complete and single-minded. James and John were working on their boats with their father, Zebedee, when Jesus calls them to follow him. "And at once, leaving the boat and their father, they follow him" (Mt 4:22). It was a call to share in Jesus' mission, a call that allowed for no other priority. James' response in faith models what the response of each Christian disciple is to be to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. James is also privileged to be one of the apostles chosen by Jesus to witness his most dramatic signs of power: his Transfiguration and the raising to life of Jairus' daughter.

James was the first of the Twelve to suffer martyrdom. He was beheaded during the persecution of Herod Agrippa I between the years 42 and 44 (Acts 12: 1-3). Later traditions hold that James actually preached in Spain or that at least his body was transferred from Jerusalem to Compestela in Spain, which, in any case became a major pilgrimage site in the Middle Ages. St. James the Greater is the patron saint of Spain, Chile, Guatemala and Nicaragua and also of pilgrims, pharmacists, laborers and those suffering from arthritis. *ICSC July 2017 e-Bulletin*

Our Parish Prayers: A time to heal... Edwin Janolino, Walter Bonk, Mae Pa, Eugenia Dominguez, Andrew Gawalko, Baby Lucas Watamanuk, Cornie Unger, Sara Boon, Julius Alejo, Emilia Banayo, Carole Schmidt, Greg Fleming, Jackie Thibert, Angelica Ricio, Patricia Seaton, Theresa Wilson, Rolando & Amada Carandang, Ed Dimalanta, Mila Mayuga, Renato Brion, Frances Lee, Keely McGregor, Liza Gascon, Gloria Sta. Ana, Teresita Babac, Juliet Olangco, Loretta Lasig, Sharon Anderson

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Tue	25	3:30pm	St. Teresa Place Seniors Mass
Thu	27	7:30pm	Legion of Mary
Fri	28	9:30am 7:00pm	Adoration until Noon Church Cleaning Team #6

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wis. 12.13, 16-19; Rom. 8.26-27; Matt. 13.24-43

In today's second reading, Saint Paul bids us to take comfort in knowing that when God invites us to pray to him, he knows our true needs, even if we do not. The Holy Spirit intercedes and prays for us even if we can't come up with appropriate words; even when we don't have a clue what to ask for. We are not left alone. Good stewards know that prayer is an important part of living a life in Christ. The important thing is to make space for God. Do we let God into our hearts? Do we make room for the Holy Spirit to pray within us?

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Sunday Collection: For last week was \$7,607.00.
Together In Action: Our target for 2017 is \$43,837.00. To date the collection is \$28,344.10.

FORMED Nicknamed the "Catholic Netflix". It's **EASY** and **FREE** to register! Visit **formed.org** with a web browser. Click on register (lower right of page). Enter Parish access code: **KD3TDC**. Enter your email and create a password. (you need this to login later)

Enjoy & share with others in our local community!

Feast of St. Anne and St. Joachim, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Wednesday, July 26, 2017.

RCIA / RCIC (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults and Children): If you are interested in becoming Roman Catholic, please call the parish office at 403-285-3773 to set up an appointment. Class begins in September 2017.

Weekly Mass Intentions: July 22 to 28

Sat	22	9:00am 5:30pm	+Martin Hlavacek For the People
Sun	23	9:00am 10:00am 10:45am 12:30pm 5:00pm	Intention Peter Gebbie +Lolita De Guzman +Efrem Negusse +Ron Rennie Thanksgiving St. Charbel
Mon	24	9:00am	Thanksgiving St. Charbel +Pat O'Rourke
Tues	25	7:00pm	Intercession of St. Joseph For the Sick
Wed	26	9:00am	+Gamini Ranasinghe +Isidro Noriega
Thur	27	9:00am 6:45pm	+Luciano Dominguez Souls in Purgatory
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For tickets and more information please visit their website, www.onerock.ca.

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