

# MAY 18TH, 2025 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## St. Thomas More Parish with St. Bernadette Mission



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Please Pray For those who are sick, especially:  
George Korcsok, John, Margaret Lechelt, Divina,  
Jacob, Lorenzo Barol, Fr. Ron Meyer

## MASS SCHEDULE

### ST. THOMAS MORE RECTORY CHAPEL

WEDNESDAY 5:00PM

THURSDAY & FRIDAY 10:00 AM

### ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH, MILLBROOK

SATURDAY: 4:00 PM

MAY 17TH - For the Eternal rest of  
†David Hayes

SUNDAY: 9:00 AM

MAY 18TH - For the Birthday intentions of  
Josh and Liam O'Dette

### ST. BERNADETTE, NESTLETON

SUNDAY: 11:00 AM

MAY 18TH - For the of the People of the Parish

## \*\*\*\*\* IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER \*\*\*\*\*

- Saturday, May 24 - Annual Spring Clean-up. Church and Rectory Property— VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED
- Saturday, June 14 - St. Thomas More CWMC Monthly Meeting 9:30 am (everyone welcome)
- Sunday, June 15 - Father's Day breakfast following 9:00 am Mass. Everyone welcome.
- Sunday, June 29 - Fr. Tony's Retirement Celebration including Mass - Donauschwaben Park, Nestleton



## Jubilee Year 2025 – Events Schedule:

[https://www.peterboroughdiocese.org/en/get-involved/jubilee-year-2025-events-schedule.aspx?\\_mid\\_=35659](https://www.peterboroughdiocese.org/en/get-involved/jubilee-year-2025-events-schedule.aspx?_mid_=35659)

Quote of the Week: "We should ever be grateful for and love the vocation to which God has called us. This applies to every vocation because, after all, what a privilege it is to serve God, even in the least capacity!" (Bl. Solanus Casey).

Pope's Prayer intention for the month of May: For working conditions; Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfillment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.

PLEASE VISIT THE DIOCESE OF PETERBOROUGH WEBSITE FOR UPDATES AND LINKS TO ON-LINE MASSES

St. Thomas More Parish offers eGive.

Enroll: <https://www.peterboroughdiocese.org/en/get-involved/donate.aspx>

## FR. TONY'S MESSAGE FOR THIS WEEK

Dear sisters/brothers; parishioners of St. Thomas More and St. Bernadette,

Theme: "Though we pass through some calvaries in our faith journey, the hope of our future glory and the loving support from one another will lead us to final triumph."

The Readings:

First Reading: Acts 14:21-27; "It is through many persecutions that we must enter the kingdom of God."

Second Reading: Revelation 21: 1-5; "See the home of God is among humans. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes."

Gospel: John 13: 31-33, 34-35; "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

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The diocese of Peterborough is happy to announce and invite parishioners to an ordination of Deacon Peter Bissonnette to the Sacred Priesthood on May 30 at 7:00PM at St. Peter-in-Chains Cathedral in Peterborough.

Let us end the month of May with the Holy Rosary and the Coronation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Statue right after the 4:00 PM mass and it is also the feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Please come and participate to end the month dedicated to our heavenly Mother Mary.

June 2-5 is the Diocesan Priests Retreat at Queen of the Apostles Renewal Center in Mississauga. Let us pray for all our priests in the diocese and beyond. Please pick up a name of a priest and make him your prayer companion by including him in your daily prayer especially when you pray the Holy Rosary. There are around 50 priests in the diocese including the retired one. Try to keep it your secret intention and maybe on special occasion you may reach out to him.

The Northern Deanery pilgrim church of St. Patrick in Kearney in the month of May until October will be open from 9:00AM to 5:00PM. From July 1 to 15, they have a special schedule from Monday to Friday; 10AM is Holy Hour and Confession and 11AM mass. The Jubilee mass will be on the 16<sup>th</sup> the feast of our Lady of Mount Carmel, the mass will be at 11:00 AM with Bishop Miehm as the main celebrant.

Another diocesan pilgrimage is planned also to culminate the year of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in Trout Creek on June 27. The celebration will start with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the morning with silent adoration and confession is available to those who want it and the mass will be at 3:30 PM with Bishop Miehm as the main celebrant.

The diocese of Peterborough is also planning for a diocesan wide pilgrimage to the Martyr's Shrine in Midland on September 20, 2025.

If you want a quiet day off from your daily activities and spend time in prayer and contemplation, Mount St. Joseph's Sisters has a place for you from Monday to Friday, from 9:00 AM to 4:00PM with a mass at 11:15 AM if you like to join with the sister's community. You are to draw your own schedule for the day.

To visit a shrine is also suggested and what are these? Shrines are erected either to protect relics or to commemorate the presence of God in a particular place at a particular time. The Directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy says that they can also have a deep significance as 'signs of cosmic harmony and reflections of divine beauty because of their physical positioning' (paragraph 263). Some are placed over the grave of a saint, while others, like the Oratory of St. Joseph in Montreal, are built on the faith of a visionary. These can be privileged places to ask for God's help or to give thank for favours received. They are often the object of pilgrimage.

Spring Clean-up of the Church and Rectory properties is scheduled for Saturday May 24 at 9:30 AM. Please come with your cleaning tools and enjoy the work with your fellow parishioners.

God Bless, Fr. Tony

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**SATURDAY MAY 24TH @ 9:30 AM**

*\* Bring any tools you feel you may need to help with the work \**

Contact Fr. Tony for details about arranging baptisms, marriages, birthday or anniversary announcements or blessings, or mass devotions.