## MAY 25TH, 2025 - SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

# St. Thomas More Parish with St. Bernadette Mission



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Pastor: Fr. Adtodio Barol

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

Please also pray for those who have died, especially: Sandra Pilipenko, Lorenzo Barol (Fr. Tony's brother)

#### 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 24TH - For the birthday intentions of Kris Roberts and for the eternal rest of the members of Pajak and the Baldurina families.

**SUNDAY: 9:00 AM** 

MAY 25TH - For the Wedding Aniversary intentions of Elaine and Christ Dadswell ST. BERNADETTE, NESTLETON

**SUNDAY: 11:00 AM** 

MAY 25TH - For the eternal rest of Sandra Pilipenko

#### \*\*\*\*\* 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

Quote of the Week: "God's love calls us to move beyond fear. We ask God for the courage to put on faith, hope and love as we go out into the world and become the Word in body as well as in spirit." (Pope Francis).

Pope's Prayer Intention for the month of June: "That the world may grow in compassion. Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world."

PLEASE VISIT THE DIOCESE OF PETERBOROUGH WEBSITE FOR UPDATES AND LINKS TO ON-LINE MASSES https://www.peterboroughdiocese.org/en/index.aspx

St. Thomas More Parish offers eGive.

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

#### FR. TODY'S MESSAGE FOR THIS WEEK

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

Theme: "It is the abiding presence of God within us that enables us to face the future with undying hope and true Christian courage."

The Readings:

First Reading: Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29; "Tells us how the Holy Spirit, dwelling in the Church, helped the apostles to solve a major doctrinal problem, which shocks the very foundation of the early Church,"

Second Reading: Revelation 21: 10-14; 22—23; "The Book of Revelation describes the Church as the Heavenly Jerusalem, a city united in love, with the victorious Jesus residing in it and in each members. "

Gospel: John 14: 23-29; "The Gospel reminds us that the Holy Spirit, abiding within us, is our Teacher, our Advocate, and the source of our peace and joy."

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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 prayers especially when you pay the Holy Rosary and the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy. 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. Maybe after the retreat I may have an answer to all your questions about Fr. Francis who will be your coming pastor here at St. Thomas More and St. Bernadette and all the other details that you have asked me.

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 also 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.

God Bless, Fr. Tony



# Church & Rectory Properties 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.