

St. Thomas More Parish with St. Bernadette Mission
THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION – MAY 17TH, 2026



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**MASS SCHEDULE**

**MAY 19—MAY 24**

**ST. THOMAS MORE RECTORY CHAPEL**  
**TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY – 10 AM**  
**WEDNESDAY – 5 PM**

**ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH**

**SATURDAY: 4 PM - For the People of the Parish**

**SUNDAY: 9 AM - The intentions of all CWMC  
members including deceased members**

**ST. BERNADETTE, NESTLETON**

**SUNDAY: 11 AM - Intentions for the Sick and  
Homebound Parishioners**

Acts 1:1-11  
Ephesians 1:17-23  
Matthew 28:16-20

The Acts of the Apostles describes the risen Jesus spending forty days with his disciples before being taken up into heaven and promising them the Holy Spirit. The Gospel of Matthew records Jesus commissioning the eleven disciples to go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them and teaching them to observe all that he had commanded. The Letter to the Ephesians contains a prayer that believers may receive wisdom and revelation so as to know the hope to which they are called and the immeasurable power of God revealed in Christ's resurrection and exaltation. The common theme linking all three readings is the transition from Jesus' physical presence to his abiding spiritual presence through the Holy Spirit, empowering the Church for its universal mission. Fr. Richard Opoku CSSp

Pope Leo's Prayer Intentions for the month of May 2026:

Let us pray that everyone from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to

Visit [stthomasmillbrook.ca](http://stthomasmillbrook.ca) for details about arranging baptisms, marriages, birthday or anniversary announcements or blessings or contact Fr. Richard Opoku

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## UPCOMING ANNOUNCEMENTS AND DIOCESE EVENTS

### ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S & MEN'S COUNCIL (CWMC)

Please mark the dates and plan to join us :

Saturday, May 16 CWMC meeting at 10 am. (Preceded by Mass in the Church at 9:15)

Saturday, May 23 Spring Clean Up at Church and Rectory. Many hands are needed. *Rain date: Saturday, May 30th.*

Sunday, June 28 Annual Parish Picnic at the Danauschwaben Park, Nestleton. Begins with 10 am Mass. Followed by pot-luck lunch and barbecue. More details to follow.

### Novena for Pentecost

As Pentecost Sunday (May 24) is quickly approaching, I have attached an updated Novena for Pentecost (intentions for the diocese) that will begin on Friday May 15 and end on Saturday May 23. Please download and print copies for your parish. (when printing select 'flip on short edge' to have it print correctly).

### Ordination of Deacons: May 30, 11:00 am

"The ordination to the Diaconate for three men of our diocese will be on **Saturday, May 30, 11:00 a.m.** at the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains. Peter Bagnall, Sean Dunlop and Nic Dubonnet have been preparing for four years as participants in our Permanent Deacon Formation Program... Please pray for them and their families as they prepare for this day and for their dedicated service to the Church in the years to come." (Bishop Daniel Miehm)

### INFORMATION FROM CCCB

#### CCCB Letter to Pope Leo XIV 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary

Through this letter, the President conveyed the heartfelt greetings of the Bishops of Canada, as well as the assurance of their prayers and of the unwavering solidarity of the Church in Canada as the Holy Father carries out his Petrine ministry in the service of the Universal Church.

### SAVE THE DATE: SUNDAY JUNE 7

The Cathedral of St. Peter In Chains will be marking their 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on Sunday June 7 at the 10:30 Mass. The Apostolic Nuncio and the Archbishop of Kingston will be the celebrants. The Mass will be followed with a Corpus Christi procession around the Cathedral and the blessing of a plaque to mark the occasion at the statue (East Lawn). Please plan to attend this significant celebration for our Cathedral.

### Wayside Play: *Pride & Prejudice*—May 21-22

Wayside Academy's high school students are delighted to present *Pride and Prejudice*, *Pride and Prejudice* by Jane Austen—a beloved classic filled with wit, charm, and timeless

It takes place May 21-22 at the Peterborough Theatre Guild at 7pm. Get your tickets at [olwayside.ca/events](http://olwayside.ca/events)

#### ST. THOMAS MORE/ST. BERNADETTE

#### OFFERTORY SUMMARY —APRIL 2026

Offertory incl. POP \$6,609.35

Good Friday \$ 499.00 Easter Sunday \$785

Mass Intentions \$125 Easter Flowers: \$5