

St. Thomas More Parish with St. Bernadette Mission
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — JULY 26TH, 2026



St. Thomas More Catholic Church Millbrook

1 Kings 3:5, 7–12
Romans 8:28–30
Matthew 13:44–52

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**Mass Schedule**

**ST. THOMAS MORE RECTORY**

TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY — 10 AM

WEDNESDAY — 5 PM

**ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH**

SATURDAY — 4 PM

For Grandparents and the Elderly

SUNDAY — 9 AM

Intentions of Christopher Dadswell

**ST. BERNADETTE, NESTLETON**

SUNDAY — 11 AM

For the People of the Parish

**“I Will Never Forget You”** Each year, on the fourth Sunday of July, the Church dedicates a day to grandparents and the elderly, established by Pope Francis to fall close to the feast of St. Joachim and St. Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. This year’s sixth edition lands on that same date, July 26, 2026, an invitation to recognize the essential place the elderly hold in our families, our communities, and the life of the Church, and the gift they are to each. The theme chosen by the Holy Father, “I will never forget you” (Isaiah 49:15), recalls God’s lasting faithfulness to each of his children. Through the words of the prophet Isaiah, Pope Leo XIV offers a message of consolation and hope to all the elderly, especially those who experience loneliness, illness, or neglect.

*Fr. Richard Opoku, CSSP*

Pope Leo’s Prayer Intentions for the month of July 2026: For respect for human life: Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

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

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**Called to Draw Near**

In his message, the Holy Father reminds us that God forgets no one. His love holds steady at every stage of life, even as our own strength begins to fade. The Pope also calls the whole Church, and especially younger generations, to respond by meeting this love with their own, in ways that are genuine and personal.

May this day, he writes, be “an inspiration for everyone, especially the young, to revive the beautiful custom” of visiting “grandparents, the elderly members of the family and even those who have no one to visit them”. A simple gesture, offered with time, attention, and warmth, can help make God’s love more tangible to those who need it most.

**Announcement**

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<https://peterboroughdiocese.org/about-us/catholic-herald-diocesan-magazine/>



CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS ASSOCIATION

*World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly*  
**2026**

SUNDAY 26 JULY 2026 · FEAST OF SAINTS JOACHIM & ANNE

Pope Francis established the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, to be celebrated each year on the fourth Sunday of July.

<https://www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org/worlddayforgrandparentsandtheelderly/>

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