SEPTEMBER 26, 2021 THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY Saint Thomas's Church, 383 Huron Street, Toronto, M5S 2G5

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Propers for 8:00 am Eucharist:

Page 244; Introit: Psalm 119.Pt 18; Gradual: Psalm 131

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

ΤΟΠΑΥ	TRINITY XVII 8:00 am Said Eucharist 9:30 am Sung Eucharist 11:00 am Sung Eucharist 4:00 pm Evensong and Coffee Hour <i>(Zoom)</i>
Wed. Sept. 29	MICHAELMAS - Mass at 12:15 and 6:30 pm
Sun. Oct. 3	DEDICATION 8:00 am Said Eucharist (please register, to attend in person) 9:30 am Sung Eucharist (please register, to attend in person) 11:00 am Sung Eucharist (please register, to attend in person) 4:00 pm Evensong and Coffee Hour (Zoom)
Sun. Oct. 10	HARVEST THANKSGIVING
Mon. Oct. 11	Thanksgiving Day (Office Closed)
Sun. Oct. 17	TRINITY XX
Sun. Oct. 24	TRINITY XXI
Sun. Oct. 31	TRINITY XXII
Mon. Nov. 1	ALL SAINTS' DAY - Mass at 6:30 pm
Tues. Nov. 1	ALL SOULS' DAY - Mass at 12:15 and 6:30 pm
Sun. Nov. 7	SUNDAY AFTER ALL SAINTS' DAY

RE-OPENING OF ST THOMAS'S FOR PUBLIC WORSHIP

at 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 am

Provincial and Diocesan protocols permit limited attendance in person so that physical distancing can be maintained. At St Thomas's this effectively means a total of 50 people at one time, including those in the chancel. For contact tracing purposes, please register on EventBrite via the parish website *www.stthomas.on.ca* or by calling 416 979-2323 x 4.

If you have difficulty registering to attend, or decide to come to Church after registration is closed, please do feel free to come to Church! The 8:00 and 9:30 am masses have not been to capacity, and social distancing has thus far been possible even at 11:00 am. The sidespeople will assist you in our ongoing efforts to be compliant. Be assured that thus far, there has been sufficient room every Sunday at all Services!

Please note that congregational singing is still not permitted.

The 9:30 and 11:00 am Eucharists will continue on YouTube and the 4:00 pm Evensong and Coffee Hour on Zoom until further notice.

Fr. Humphrey is available to administer the sacraments in person. Please do not hesitate to be in touch with him. We urge you to get vaccinated, not only for your own safety but for the good of all. Let us know if we can help facilitate that. Pray for all those in our province and city affected by Covid 19, and around the world where vaccines are not readily available.

DAILY LOW MASS AND MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER

Beginning on Michaelmas (Wednesday, September 29), the parish will be resuming a regular schedule of daily worship. All are invited to attend in-person. For October, the schedule will be the following (please note that there are some differences from the old, pre-pandemic schedule):

Said Low Mass: Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 12:15 pm; Tuesday and Thursday at 5:30 pm; Saturday at 10:00 am Morning Prayer: Monday-Friday 8:30 am, Saturday at 9:30 am Evening Prayer: Monday-Friday 5:00 pm

Online registration will not be required. However, **anyone attending will be required to register when they arrive**.

Thanksgiving is around the corner and the **FRIDAY FOOD MINISTRY** is gearing up to put on its annual Thanksgiving Meal. This is a major undertaking and we need a lot of help to make it happen. Thanksgiving this year falls on Monday, October 11. There are many ways to help make this Thanksgiving a success!

In the days leading up to Thanksgiving we will need people to help roast turkeys at home, make baked goods to serve, and shop for supplies. On Thanksgiving Day itself we will be operating multiple shifts to help prepare and serve the meal. You are welcome to sign up for one or all shifts. The following shifts are:

1st Food Prep Shift (Noon-3:00 pm) 2nd Food Prep Shift (3:00 - 5:00 pm) Setting Up and Serving (5:00 - 7:00 pm) Cleaning Up (7:00 pm-end)

Thanksgiving is always a highlight of the year and our guests look forward to it every year. If you have any questions, or would like to assist, please contact Fr. James Shire at *fridayfoodministry@gmail.com*.

UPCOMING SUBWAY AND ROAD CLOSURES

So far, the TTC only lists one subway shutdown in October that will affect people coming to Church:

Oct 3—Yonge-University: closure from Sheppard to St Bloor

Many marathons and runs have gone virtual, but the following one will take place live:

Oct 17 – This year the Scotiabank Waterfront Marathon will be much shorter. It begins at 8:00 am at Coronation Park, heading westbound on Lakeshore Boulevard to Ellis Avenue (High Park), where they will turn around and come back the same way, ending at Coronation Park. Participants will travel north to Bloor street, east to Bathurst, and south to Lakeshore Blvd. The estimated finishing time is 11:30 am.

For a list of planned (and unplanned) road closures due to events or construction in the city, please see the City of Toronto site: *www.toronto.ca/roadrestrictions* and click on the tab marked "list." This site changes constantly, so check it often.