



We, the faith community of St. Thomas More, a Roman Catholic Church in Brooklyn, Ohio, are centered in the celebration of the Eucharist. By following the actions and teachings of Jesus Christ under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we strive to build God's kingdom.

We seek to:

- Celebrate God's presence in the Eucharist, His work and the community.
- Pass on our faith and tradition.
- Strengthen, love and support all of God's people.
- Nurture our gifts and share them with others.
- Invite and welcome all who are in need of God.

Masses of Obligation

Saturday - 4:30 p.m.
Sunday - 9 and 11 a.m.

Holy Days

Eve of Holy Days - 6 p.m.
Holy Days - 7 a.m., 8:15 a.m.,
11:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.

Weekdays

Monday - Thursday - 7 a.m.
Friday - 7 a.m. & 8:15 a.m.
Saturday - 8:15 a.m.
Holidays - 9 a.m.

Confessions

Saturdays - 3 - 4 p.m.

Rectory Times

Sunday - 9 - 11:30 a.m.
Monday - Friday - 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday - 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Closed Mondays 1-2:30 p.m. for staff meetings

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9 – VIGIL

*4:30PM - Kevin Robertson

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10 – FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

+9:00AM - People of the Parish

*11:00AM - Elizabeth Werley

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11 – OUR LADY OF LOURDES

7:00AM - Judy Zauszniewski

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12 – WEEKDAY

7:00AM - Anna Wohlgemuth

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13 – WEEKDAY

7:00AM - Jim & Ann Marie Casey

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14 – SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS

7:00AM - Living & Deceased Members of the Naylor & Ritter Families

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15 – WEEKDAY

7:00AM - Memorial Garden

8:15AM - Gene Wrost - Student Liturgy

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16 – WEEKDAY

8:15AM - Rogelio Morales & Family

+*4:30PM - Patricia Chumat

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17 – SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*9:00AM - Mildred Moscollic

+11:00AM - People of the Parish

+Cup Mass

*Mass of Remembrance

Financial Blessings

Collection for February 3rd.....	\$8,113.00
Maintenance	\$2,210.00
Votives.....	\$86.00

Christmas Collection.....\$33,333.98
Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

TRAVELING MADONNA

This week the statue is at the home of **Peggy Palumbo**. Please continue to pray for our host families as they share their home with our Traveling Madonna. Remember to send in any pictures that you take to the rectory. Please call the rectory to sign-up to host the Traveling Madonna in 2019. **We still have two weeks available in March.**

Weekly Schedule

Monday, February 11

4:00 PM - 10:00 PM Basketball Practice - Gym

6:45 PM - 8:00 PM PSR - School

7:00 PM RCIA - School

Tuesday, February 12

1:00 PM Women's Guild Meeting - UH

4:00 PM - 10:00 PM Basketball Practice - Gym

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Children's Choir - Church

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Friends Supporting Friends - UH

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Adult Choir - Church

7:00 PM Holy Name - Utopia Hall

7:00 PM Rosary for World Peace - Chapel

Wednesday, February 13

5:00 PM Bingo - Gym & Utopia Hall

Thursday, February 14

4:00 PM - 10:00 PM Basketball Practice - Gym

7:00 PM Cub Scouts - Utopia Hall

7:00 PM Divine Mercy - Church

Friday, February 15

4:00 PM - 10:00 PM Basketball Practice - Gym

Utopia Rental

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM Third Order of Mary - Rectory

Sunday, February 17

9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Men's Basketball - Gym

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Women's Healing Ministry - Church

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM High School Youth Ministry & Junior High Youth Group Event

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

CHAIRPERSON: Angela LoBue

SECRETARY: Dawn Thomas

REGISTRATION

Persons who live within parish boundaries should be properly registered. This includes all students in high school and college. Register with the priest after Mass. If you move out of the parish, please notify the rectory.

BAPTISMS

Sunday: 12:30 PM or during any weekend liturgy. Prior to baptism of their first child, parents are required to attend a Pre-Baptism class. Please call the rectory at 216-749-0414 to schedule an interview.

MARRIAGES

Should be arranged with a priest by calling the rectory 6 months prior to the wedding date. Individual conferences, plus attendance at a pre-marriage program, are required for proper preparation.

FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

I know that it seems a little early to be talking about Lent already but I want to let you know about some events that we will be hosting this year. The first will be happening in the beginning of March. From March 11th through the 14th, we will be having a parish mission. We have invited the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal from New York City to come and put on a mission for our parish and for anyone else who would like to join us. These men are the Friars who joined Fr. Groeschel's movement in getting the Friars back to the roots of what St. Francis started when he began the Franciscan order. You may know Fr. Groeschel from EWTN. He was a very popular figure on the station and was an inspiring speaker and writer on many Catholic topics before his death. I assure you these Friars that will be coming will bring a true spirit of joy and a deep sense of spirituality.

Fr. Innocent, C.F.R. has been studying with me in Chicago. I have come to know him and his brother Franciscans. I truly believe that they will bring a great spirit of renewal and really prepare us for a great beginning to the Lenten season that will take us right through Lent and into Holy Week.

The other event that we are privileged to host is the production of *Tetelestai*. This production of the passion of Christ has been going on for many years. We are honored that this year they have requested to bring their gifts and talents to St. Thomas More. I know that there will be no better way to really enter into the suffering of our Lord than to experience it through this production of the Lord's passion.

The performances will be on March 22nd and 23rd at 8pm and on March 24th at 2pm. The performance is somewhat graphic and may not be suitable for some smaller children. But with a simple discussion of what to expect, I have been told it is very moving and inspiring for middle school-aged children. I would like to really encourage people from all ages to come and experience this very moving re-enactment of our Lord's passion.

Of course there will be many other programs and services during the Lenten season, but I hope all of you will mark your calendars for these two awesome events. I guarantee you will be kicking yourself if you miss either one of these inspiring programs.

Peace and Goodness,
Fr. Bill

SAINT THOMAS MORE



Every tribulation whichever comes our way either is sent to be medicinal, if we will take it as such, or may become medicinal, if we will make it such, or is better than medicinal, unless we forsake it.

“Little children follow and obey their father. They love their mother. They know nothing of covetousness, ill-will, bad temper, arrogance and lying. This state of mind opens the road to heaven. To imitate our Lord's own humility, we must return to the simplicity of God's little ones.”

St. Hilary of Poitiers



SEMINARIAN OF THE MONTH

Bradley Jasko
St. Mary,
Hudson
Senior, Borromeo



Please keep Bradley and all seminarians in your prayers as we continue to pray for vocations. To let him know that he is in your thoughts and prayers, send a card to him at 28700 Euclid Avenue, Wickliffe, OH 44092.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Divine Mercy Chaplet - In the arms of Your Mercy, we find rest. Please join us on Thursday, February 14th at 7pm in the church for our next Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Holy Name High School Choir - On Saturday, February 23rd the Holy Name Choir will be singing for the 4:30pm Mass. This is a great opportunity for alumni to see their alma mater represented at St. Thomas More.



Walk in Faith. Give in Joy. Your support of the 2019 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal helps us to carry out the mission that Jesus entrusted to us: 'I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Please consider a generous gift that will change the lives of the 410,000 who are served each year in Northeast Ohio. Please pray for the success of the Appeal, which provides for essential programs and services in need throughout all eight counties of the Diocese of Cleveland.



REMEMBER
in your prayers

Nickola Badza, Christina E. Janus, Carol Loy, Vinny Mercurio, Martha & George Kysil, Alice Gruden, Grayson Wilmot, John Szill, Melissa Korhely, Sean Szill, Joel Gorski, Nancy Butler, Gail Michal, Ashley Meadows, Baby Addison Moleski, Ethel Whipkey, Raymond Kuhar, Jessica Kuhar, Stephen Kuhar III, Gregory Simecek, Alexis Simecek, Heather Hudak, Greg Jakupcik, Joanne Hallick, James Malames, Eileen Jakupca, Donald Marks, Mary Ellen Popovich, William Kukoleck, Juliana Turner, Meg Zalar, Stephanie Ziolkowski, Jean Palumbo, Marlene Sutowski, Ida Jean Hopkins, Joy Turner, Jeremy Cheetham, Pam Turner, Ben Purcell, Mary Misch and John Misch. Please call the rectory by noon on Monday to add a name to the list. Names will remain on the list for the month.

Cluster Corner

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE: 216-749-2323

Holy Hour - Join us on Sunday, February 17th at 2pm in the Chapel for our next Blue Army Holy Hour with prayers and devotions offered for the intercession of Our Lady of Fatima.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO: 440-884-3030

Save the Date - Brand new Preached retreat with the Trappists at Genessee Abbey, NY from October 10th-13th. Transportation and all-inclusive cost only \$230/person. Questions? Please contact Brian in office.

ST. LEO THE GREAT: 216-661-1006

Bus Trip - The trip to the Hollywood Casino has been cancelled for February 12th and rescheduled for Tuesday, March 19th. Cost is \$32/person. Casino bonus: \$5 free slot play & \$5 food. Please call Joanne Todd at 440-526-3505 for more information or to book your trip.



Please remember Ronald J. Moner and William R. Engel in your prayers. God grant them eternal rest.

MARDI GRAS

Our 13th Annual Mardi Gras is on Saturday, March 2nd from 5:30-Midnight. **DINNER TICKETS ARE SOLD OUT!** There are still \$10 tickets for admission after 8pm (NO DINNER INCLUDED) available at the rectory.

Do you own a business and are looking for a new way to get your name out there? Do you have access to athletic, theater, concerts and show and want to donate them to a great cause? Do you have a knack for making gift baskets? Our 13th annual Mardi Gras celebration is looking for donations for the silent auction and basket raffle. Cash donations are also being collected to purchase some of our signature items. Please contact Jeff Stutzman at youthministry@stmparish.net to discuss your donation. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

OUR CHURCH IS A FAMILY

You may remember Fr. Bill's message on the Feast of the Holy Family. In that message he asked us to consider that "our Church is a family." As he wrote, "a family is made up of people who care for each other." All of you have demonstrated that by your unconditional love and concern for our great-grandson Vinny, for his parents, his brother and our entire family.

Vinny is slowly improving. He recently started wearing a hearing aid, and is still trying diligently to walk on his own. He receives some form of therapy four times a week. In a recent message from his mom Betty, she wrote that "when things get tough they can feel God guiding them." They feel God answering their prayers; all those prayers of love and support from you here at St. Thomas More.

Because of Vinny's dedication to work at healing, on May 15th the Cleveland Clinic is awarding Vinny with their "Courage Award." Channel 8 will tell Vinny's story on February 11th at the end of the 5:00 news. A reporter and camera person has interviewed the family and two doctors who are caring for him.

Father's message made me think of all the friendships I've been blessed with at Corpus Christi and now at St. Thomas More. You all are really my "family." The Granddad that asked for prayers for his granddaughter who needed a liver transplant. She had successful surgery and is doing well. "This is Church, this is family." The dedicated mom who faithfully brings her disabled daughter to Mass; a young lady I was honored to baptize over twenty-two years ago. Her efforts are a beautiful example and blessing for us all. "This is Church, this is family." As Father concluded, as a true family who loves and supports each other, we are united by the love of God our Father, Jesus our Brother, and the courage of the Holy Spirit.

May God continue to bless you all!!!

Deacon Chuck

WOMEN'S GUILD

The Women's Guild will have a regular meeting on Tuesday, February 12th at 1pm in Utopia Hall. Our entertainment will be provided by Bob & Shelly Orlandi. Refreshments will be served. Please join us!

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

Our regular meeting will be on Tuesday, February 12th at 7pm in Utopia Hall. All members of the Holy Name Society are welcome. Refreshments will be served after the meeting.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Next weekend, teens in 7th thru 12th grade are invited to an evening of Laser Tag at Arena 51 in Middleburg Heights. More information and registration for the trip is available on the parish website (stmparish.net). And as always, keep the high school students who are preparing for their annual retreat (April 6th-7th) in your prayers.

PARISH PRAYER

O God, the Creator and giver of all things, bless this parish. Strengthen our faith; grant us the spirit of sacrifice and service so that, with Your grace, we may provide for the needs of our members, glorify You and sanctify ourselves. Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

PRAYER OF THE MONTH - FEBRUARY

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. O Divine Master; grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

Readings *Week* of the ELPH

Readings for the Week of February 10, 2019

- Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 [1c]/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11
- Monday: Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and 35c [31b]/Mk 6:53-56
- Tuesday: Gn 1:20—2:4a/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Mk 7:1-13
- Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30 [1a]/Mk 7:14-23
- Thursday: Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/Mk 7:24-30
- Friday: Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [1a]/Mk 7:31-37
- Saturday: Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13 [1]/Mk 8:1-10
- Next Sunday: Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6 [40:5a]/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26

SECOND QUARTER 2018 - 2019

PRINCIPAL'S HONORS:

Gr 8 – Sarah Handke and Jeremy Wallace

Gr 7 – Dillon Fall, Quinten Ha-Lambert, Anna Ha, Sarah Tran and Joseph Valencik

Gr 6 – Maria Burns, Aiden Cepek, Tyler Liebert, Alysha Murray, Lily Redmon and Danise Vu

Gr 5 – Jeffery Jiang, Gianna Marino, Hazel Redmon, Isaiah Rivera, Lucy Thomas and Thomas Vu

Gr 4 – Molly Francis, Brendon Kiscoe and Emily Schillo

HONORS:

Gr 8 – Anthony Amoroso, Abigail Cepek, Jaden Colvin, Carolyn Jiang, Lily Kuebler and Bridget Sprosty

Gr 7 – AJ Hill, Noah Nunney and Robert Rivera

Gr 6 – Isabel Adu-Gyamfi, Lindsay Carson, Thien Nguyen, Sophia Porachan, Madison Schmidt and Katherine Viets

Gr 5 – Delaney Burke, Noemi Cartagena, Kevin Delaney, Jacob Hudak, Chloe Meyer, Alena Predmetsky, Steven Seabold and Henry Widdowson

Gr 4 – Nevaeh Aldridge, Stefani Erny, Meghan Francis, Ania Oshaben and Willa Streeter

MERIT

Gr 8 – Jose Figueroa and Jared Liebert

Gr 7 – Jayla Hernandez and Danielle Jordan

Gr 6 – Makayla Butler and Samantha Simko

Gr 5 – Gabby Cisneros, Anais Hernandez and Jaime Stutzman

Gr 4 – Grace Delluomo, Eleanore Loudon, Emily Schillo, Mia Viera and Mekhi Williams

ACHIEVEMENT

Gr 8 – Cy Colvin and Jaden Hurd

Gr 7 – Aiden Butler, Mario Cisneros and Victor Roberts

Gr 5 – Michael Rydzewski

Gr 4 – Kinsley Cancian, Nathan Jordan, Matthew Rydzewski and Alyzzia Urban

HIGH SCHOOL HONORS

Saint Ignatius High School honors the following parishioners who have received academic honors for the first semester: Ramon Agustin, Mark Burns, Brandon Handke, Kevin Kempffer, Thomas Krisak, Ian Laughery, Zachary McMahan, Nathan Previts, Matthew Rygiel, Colin Schillinger, Nicholas Schwitzgebel, Cole Streeter, Anthony Tran and Matthew Whipkey.

Saint Joseph Academy honors the following parishioners who have received academic honors for the first semester: Heaven Bartell, Patricia Butler, Julia Henderson, Grace Kelley, Maeve Kelley, Kyleigh Streeter, Abigail Traska and Alexandra Traska.

Trinity High School honors the following parishioners who have received academic honors for the second half term: McKena Patton.

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