

## Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



**SATURDAY, JUNE 23 – VIGIL**

+\*4:30PM - Robert J. Higgins

**SUNDAY, JUNE 24 – THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST**

\*9:00AM - Julius Tomeczko

+11:00AM - People of the Parish

**MONDAY, JUNE 25 – WEEKDAY**

7:00AM - Bob Stackhouse

**TUESDAY, JUNE 26 – WEEKDAY**

7:00AM - Mary & Frank Santore

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27 – ST. CYRIL OF ALEXANDRIA**

7:00AM - Jim Paskert

**THURSDAY, JUNE 28 – ST. IRENAEUS**

7:00AM - John David Sidley

**FRIDAY, JUNE 29 – SS. PETER & PAUL**

7:00AM - Kenneth Whipkey

**SATURDAY, JUNE 30 – WEEKDAY**

8:15AM - June Birthdays

1:00 PM - Hammock/Scott Wedding

\*4:30PM - David Abel

**SUNDAY, JULY 1 – THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

\*9:00AM - Helen Krakovsky

+11:00AM - People of the Parish

+Cup Mass

\*Mass of Remembrance

## Financial Blessings

The collection amounts for June 17th will be in the July 1st bulletin.

Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

### RECTORY CLOSED ON JULY 4TH

The rectory will be closed on Wednesday, July 4th due to the observance of Independence Day.

## Marriage Banns

III - Tina Hammock (St. Thomas More) & Jason Scott (St. Thomas More)

## Weekly Schedule

### Tuesday, June 26th

7:00 PM

Athletic Board Meeting

7:00 PM

Rosary for World Peace - Chapel

### Wednesday, June 27th

5:00 PM

Bingo - Gym & Utopia Hall

### Thursday, June 28th

7:00 PM

Cub Scouts - Utopia Hall

7:00 PM

Pro-Life Rosary - Chapel

### Saturday, June 30th

Utopia Rental

### Sunday, July 1st

Utopia Rental

9:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Men's Basketball - Gym

## ST. THOMAS MORE FESTIVAL 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM

This Sunday the parish will have a celebration of our patron saint, St. Thomas More. The day will be filled with food, entertainment, and family activities. Thanks for your support of the raffle.

### ANNUAL MEMORIAL CANDLES

Memorial Candles, with your loved one's name inscribed on it, are available. You can have a candle displayed for six months for \$100. Forms are available at the rectory.

### 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

This past week we celebrated the feast day of St. Thomas More. St. Thomas More, as we all know, was martyred for his refusal to bow down to Henry VIII and acknowledge him as head of the Church of England. To do this would have meant that Sir Thomas More would not be in union with the Holy Roman Catholic Church. This was something that St. Thomas More could not and would not give his consent to although he was good friends with King Henry VIII.

Yes, giving your life in witness to the Gospel is reason for sainthood but there was so much more about St. Thomas More's life that makes him the great saint that he is in the church today. St. Thomas More was deeply spiritual but he was also a family man. He was a man who wrote very strong essays and documents on the position of the Roman Catholic Church but also knew how to joke around and have fun with his family. St. Thomas More knew how to love God and his neighbor. Did you know that he would spend hours in prayer when a woman in his town went into labor and was ready to give birth? He would not stop praying for her until the child was born.

St. Thomas More lived in a time when there was a lot of trouble in the Church. Martin Luther was separating from the Church and the rise of Protestantism was starting to take over in Europe. St. Thomas fought for the Church and remained faithful to the pope and to the Vatican to the very end. St. Thomas More lost everything: his property, his home and all his possessions, but his family stayed by his side through it all. St. Thomas More encouraged his daughter Margaret to remain faithful to the Roman Church and not to grow angry for his upcoming trial and eventual execution.

I could go on to tell you more about this wonderful and holy man which is very interesting, but what is important for us today is how does this one man's life affect us today? St. Thomas More should inspire us to always remain faithful to the Church and Her teachings. We must defend the Church when others will not, we must learn to integrate our personal and professional lives with the faith, hope and love that Holy Mother Church teaches us. Jesus Christ is our way, truth and life and it is through the Church, His Bride, that we find our way to salvation. St. Thomas More knew this and was willing to live and die for the Church, the Bride of Christ.

St. Thomas More is our Patron Saint and this is why we celebrate him today with our festival. Please join us as we celebrate the man, the saint and the community that was established for God through him. Happy Feast day to everyone!

Peace and Goodness,  
*Fr. Bill*

## SAINT OF THE WEEK

**St. Joseph Cafasso** was born at Castelnuovo d'Asti in Piedmont, Italy to peasant parents. He studied at the seminary at Turin and was ordained in 1833. He continued his studies at the seminary and the university at Turin. He then went on to study at the Institute of St. Francis. Despite a deformed spine, Joseph became a brilliant lecturer in moral theology.

He was a popular teacher. He actively opposed Jansenism, and fought state intrusion into Church affairs. He succeeded Luigi Guala as rector of the Institute in 1848 and made a deep impression on his young priest students with his holiness and insistence on discipline and high standards.

Joseph was sought-after confessor and spiritual adviser, and ministered to prisoners, working to improve their terrible conditions. In 1827, he met Don Bosco and the two became close friends. It was through Joseph's encouragement that Bosco decided his vocation was working with boys. Joseph was his adviser, worked closely with him in his foundations and convinced others to fund and found religious institutes and charitable organizations.

Joseph died on June 23rd (his feast day) at Turin and was canonized in 1947.

## Readings for the Week of June 24, 2018:

- Sunday: Vigil: Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15, 17 [6b]/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17  
Day: Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1-3, 13-14, 14-15 [14a]/ Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80
- Monday: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13 [7b]/Mt 7:1-5
- Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11 [cf. 9d]/Mt 7:6, 12-14
- Wednesday: 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3/Ps 119:33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40 [33a]/Mt 7:15-20
- Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:8-17/Ps 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 [9]/Mt 7:21-29
- Friday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5a]/Gal 1:11-20/ Jn 21:15-19  
Day: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [5b]/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19
- Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21 [19b]/Mt 8:5-17
- Next Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 [2a]/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43

## TRAVELING MADONNA

This week the statue is at the home of **Carole Flanagan**. Please call the rectory to host the Traveling Madonna in 2018. There are still a few weeks left in November and December. 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 of the Madonna when she is at your home.

## COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY FATHER

Next week, we will take the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit [www.usccb.org/peters-pence](http://www.usccb.org/peters-pence).

## 2019 MASS INTENTIONS

The Mass book for 2019 will become available on Wednesday, July 18th at the rectory starting at 9:00am. A donation of \$10 is requested for each intention. Mass intentions will only be taken **in person** on that day. **To ensure that everyone is able to schedule their Masses, at this time you may schedule two Masses per family.**

## CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Once again we will be participating in Christmas in July and will be collecting for The St. Vincent de Paul Society's Back to School Supply Drive. A flyer will be included in next week's bulletin.



Bob & Carol Loy, Vinny Mercurio, George & Martha Kysil, Nickola Badza, Barb Siegel, Julianna Turner, Meg Zalar, Stephanie Ziolkowski, Jean Palumbo, Marlene Sutowski, Ida Jean Hopkins, Joy Turner, Jeremy Cheetham, Mary Ryba, Greg Jakupcik, Rev. James Vesely, Raymond Kuhar, Jessica Kuhar, Stephen Kuhar III, Alexis Simecek, Gregory Simecek, Haley Simecek, Heather Hudak, Mary Misch, John Misch, James Malames, Grayson Wilmot, John Szill, Melissa Korhely, Joel Gorski, Robert Wykoff, Nolan Wilmot, Roseann Kastak, John Markee, Donald Marks, Lorenzo Bumphus, Jr., Bryan Jaworski, Judith Sochaky, Bob Herbert, Ethel Whipkey and Sadie Lauria. 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

**SummerFest 2018** - Mark your calendar for MQP Summer Fest 2018 on Saturday, July 28th from 1-9pm!

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO: 440-884-3030

**Carnival** - Join us for our 86th Annual Homecoming Carnival from July 11th-15th. Main ground open daily at 6:30pm. Don't forget to get your tickets for the raffle-Grand Prize: 2018 Ford Fusion.

ST. LEO THE GREAT: 216-661-1006

**Bus Trip** - Our July trip: Historic, International and Ethnic Tour Part II is scheduled for Monday, July 2nd. We will pick up where Part I left off, as we travel back in time to see places of historic value. Cost is \$75/person. Contact Joanne Todd at 440-526-3505 to book your reservation.

## 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 - JUNE

Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here. Ever this day be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.

## CHARISMATIC CONFERENCE

All are invited to attend Catholic Renewal Ministries' 36th Annual Conference to be held on July 20th and 21st at Magnificat High School. This year's theme is "Receive and Rejoice in the Holy Spirit." The conference opens on Friday at 7pm. Guest speakers will be Lloyd and Nancy Greenhaw, Dave Van Vickle, Bishop Nelson Perez, Fr. Bob Franco, Fr. Jacob Bearer, and Nick Alcantar. Contact Shirley or Tom Fumich at 440-610-6604 for registration information or visit [www.crmweb.org](http://www.crmweb.org). Advance registration is \$30, and \$35 at the door. Come experience the healing power and gifts of the Holy Spirit!

## PSR

The Parish School of Religion, PSR, provides religion classes once a week on Monday evenings (6:45-8pm) for students in grades 1-8 who attend public school. Classes are led by volunteer catechists who truly enjoy sharing our Catholic faith with our young parishioners. **Registration is now open and classes begin on September 10th!** Forms are available on the parish web site, in the vestibule of the church or in the rectory. Registration packets were also mailed to returning families. Please note that forms and a \$45 payment are due to the rectory by **July 15th**. If you have any questions, please contact Colleen DeVenney at [psr.stm@gmail.com](mailto:psr.stm@gmail.com).



**Welcome to the St. Thomas More Festival 2018**

## Schedule of Events

**All Day:**  
 Food ~ DJ ~ Music ~ Games of Chance  
 Raffle Tickets ~ Instantants ~ 50/50 Raffle

**Specific Timed Events:**

- 12:00 - 7:00 Children's Games in Gym
- 12:00 - 1:00 FREE Face Painting in Gym
- 1:00 Cake Walk in Gym
- 1:00 - 3:00 FREE Balloon Artist in Gym
- 3:00 Cake Walk in Gym
- 3:00 - 7:00 FREE Face Painting in Gym
- 4:30 - 6:30 The Figs (Live Band Outside)
- 7:00 Drawing for \$10,000 Grand Prize

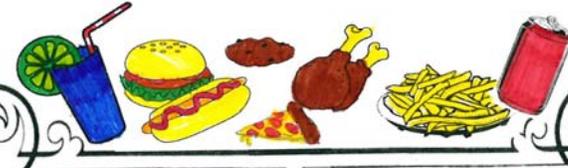
THANK YOU FOR COMING TO THE FESTIVAL  
 WE HOPE WE WILL SEE YOU NEXT YEAR :)

**St. Thomas More Festival 2018**

# MENU

**\*\* ALL FOOD SOLD WITH TICKETS ONLY \*\***  
**1 TICKET = \$1.00**

Fresh Squeezed Lemonade .....	3 Tickets
Fresh Squeezed Flavored Lemonade.....	4 Tickets
Bottled Water.....	1 Ticket
Soda (Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, Sierra Mist).....	1 Ticket
Cabbage & Noodles.....	2 Tickets
Pierogies & Applesauce (and Sour Cream).....	3 Tickets
Ribs.....	6 Tickets
Sausage & Peppers.....	4 Tickets
Burger.....	3 Tickets
Corn.....	1 Ticket
Hot Dog .....	2 Tickets
Pizza.....	1 Ticket
French Fries .....	3 Tickets
French Fries with Cheese .....	4 Tickets
Funnel Fries.....	3 Tickets
Beer.....	3 Tickets
Wine.....	3 Tickets
Margarita.....	3 Tickets
Kettle Corn - Small Bag.....	3 Tickets
Kettle Corn - Large Bag.....	5 Tickets
Cupcake.....	1 Ticket
Honey Hut Ice Cream.....	See Booth



**ST. THOMAS MORE SCHOOL**

Missed the Brick deadline? No worries! You still have time. We have received several calls in regard to purchasing bricks, so we have extended the sale through the St. Thomas More Festival on Sunday, June 24th.

We would like to extend a great big THANK YOU to all who have made a purchase. Through your generosity, we are already 2/3 of the way to our fundraising goal. If you are still interested in making a brick purchase you may complete the brick order form or go to our online ordering site at [www.bricksrus.com/donorsite/stmschool](http://www.bricksrus.com/donorsite/stmschool). Know of an alumnus or family who may want to leave their legacy? Pass the word that there's still time to order!

**FAITH FORMATION**

RCIA - Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic? If so, why not explore a little more? Come to RCIA (The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). Sessions meet every Monday from 7-8pm in the school beginning on September 10th and continuing through May 6th. For more details or to register, please call the rectory. God Bless!

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

We are off this week to help with the parish festival and there will be no activity next Sunday, July 1st in anticipation of the Independence Day holiday. Look for more activities in July and August including the annual FEST at the Center for Pastoral Leadership.