

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



SATURDAY, MAY 4 – VIGIL

+4:30PM - People of the Parish

SUNDAY, MAY 5 – THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

*9:00AM - David Francis

+*11:00AM - Mary LaCorte

MONDAY, MAY 6 – EASTER WEEKDAY

7:00AM - Nick & David Virovec

TUESDAY, MAY 7 – EASTER WEEKDAY

7:00AM - Flora & Louis Presotto

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8 – EASTER WEEKDAY

7:00AM - Norman R. Cushler

THURSDAY, MAY 9 – EASTER WEEKDAY

7:00AM - Mariano & Minnie Polidori

FRIDAY, MAY 10 – ST. DAMIEN DE VEUSTER

7:00AM - All Souls' Day Intentions

8:15AM - Samuel Ketola - Student Liturgy

6:30PM - Nurses' Mass

SATURDAY, MAY 11 – EASTER WEEKDAY

8:15AM - Mary Lou Meister

+4:30PM - Edward Talpas

SUNDAY, MAY 12 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

+9:00AM - People of the Parish

11:00AM - Mother's Day Enrollment

+Cup Mass

*Mass of Remembrance

Financial Blessings

Collection for April 28th.....	\$5,842.42
Maintenance	\$1,091.00
Votives.....	\$63.00

Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.



Weekly Schedule

Monday, May 6

6:45 PM - 8:00 PM

7:00 PM

Tuesday, May 7

7:00 PM

7:00 PM

Wednesday, May 8

5:00 PM

Thursday, May 9

7:00 PM

7:00PM

7:00 PM

Friday, May 10

Saturday, May 11

9:45 AM - 12:30 PM

Sunday, May 12

9:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Chipotle Fundraiser

Thanksgiving Day - Grade 2

PSR - School

RCIA - School

Adult Choir - Church

Rosary for World Peace - Chapel

Munch with Mom - School

Bingo - Gym & Utopia Hall

Marco's Night

Cub Scouts - Utopia Hall

May Crowning - Church

PTU Meeting - School

Utopia Rental

Utopia Rental

Catholic Renewal Ministry -

Rectory

Utopia Rental

Men's Basketball - Gym



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

On Good Friday, we as a parish community, dedicated the Parish of St. Thomas More to our Blessed Mother. In preparation for this consecration, all through Lent I talked about the seven sorrows of our Blessed Mother. These sorrows helped us to see the sacrifices and pain that our Blessed Mother experienced in her lifetime.

In this time of Easter I would like to share with you the seven joys of the Virgin Mary. The first Joy of the Blessed Virgin is the Annunciation. This is not to be confused with the Immaculate Conception. The Immaculate Conception is when Mary was conceived but the Annunciation is when the Angel Gabriel was sent to Mary and announced to her that she was selected to bring Jesus into the world and would become the Mother of the Most High God.

At first Mary was somewhat confused but with faith and joy she said yes to God's plan of salvation. It is our call to join in this happy celebration not by just acknowledging that Mary is the Mother of God, but that we are also called to bring Mary's son into the world. Our "yes" to the will of God can help many to encounter the Risen Lord. We will not give birth to Jesus as Mary did but we can bring the Risen Lord to those that we come in contact daily. We do this by the way we act with compassion, the way we speak with charity and the way we reflect the image of Jesus by our love.

The joy Mary must have felt when she encountered God through the message of an archangel. We are no angels (of course because angels are spiritual beings created by God), but we can help others to encounter God and His Holiness like the angels when we bring the message of our Risen Lord. We help others to encounter God when we teach them to pray, when we invite them to Mass and most importantly when we become the instrument that God uses to spread His love on this world.

Let us, with courage, say yes to God as Mary did by not being afraid to bring Jesus Christ to our homes, community and even our work place. It takes courage to say yes to God but never worry because Mary is always there to help us to say yes to God as she did.

Just a quick update on Ben. This past Tuesday he had his evaluation in front of the Seminary faculty. I am very proud to say how well he did. The faculty was very impressed with his growth and the joy that he has brought back to the seminary. I would like to thank everyone who showed Ben support and kindness over his past eight months here at St. Thomas More. He will make a great priest and know that some of that is credited to the great people of our parish. If you would like to write him or send him a note of encouragement you can reach him at Saint Paul Catholic Church, 1580 Brown Street, Akron, 44301.

Peace and Goodness,
Fr. Bill

PRAYER OF THE MONTH - MAY **ST. THOMAS MORE'S DEVOTIONAL** **PRAYER TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER**

Hail Mary, full of Grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed are thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

My Queen and my Mother, I give myself entirely to you; and to show my devotion to you, I consecrate to you this day my eyes, my ears, my mouth, my heart, my whole being without reserve. Wherefore, good Mother, as I am your own, keep me, guard me, as your property and possession. Amen.

CAUTION...CAUTION...CAUTION...

Please be careful when lighting the votive candles. Over the past few weeks there seems to be a growing number of people lighting candles and breaking the wooden taper off in the candle and setting the plastic container on fire. This may not seem like a big deal, but I am sure the workers at Notre Dame didn't think it was a big deal when he or she was working and made a slight over look and set the whole Cathedral on fire. So Please **DO NOT LEAVE ANY PART OF THE WOODEN TAPER IN THE CANDLE. IT IS A FIRE HAZZARD!** Thank You.



Please remember Donald Marks,
Rudolph Zanzano and John Hudy
in your prayers.
God grant him eternal rest.

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.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Organ Recital - There will be an Organ Recital on Sunday, May 5th following the 11am Mass. There will also be a blessing of the pipe organ from Fr. Bill. After the recital there will be a social in the gym. We look forward to seeing you there!

Divine Mercy Chaplet - Due to May Crowning, the Divine Mercy Chaplet is cancelled for the month of May. We will resume on Thursday, June 13th at 7pm.

ST. THOMAS MORE MEN'S GROUP

The Men's Group meets each Saturday morning beginning with 8:15 Mass followed by a group meeting from 9-10 in the old church library.

2019 MARDI GRAS UPDATE

All of the expense receipts have been submitted and the final net profit is **\$26,039.56**. Thank you to all of those who worked so hard to make this event so successful. Mark your calendars for next year: **Saturday, February 22, 2020**.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

We recently registered the following at St. Thomas More during the month of **April** – John Neal.
Welcome to you!



Nickola Badza, Christina E. Janus, Vinny Mercurio, Carol Loy, Jennifer Stancato, Martha & George Kysil, Debbie Tomusko, George Stincic, Grayson Wilmot, John Szill, Melissa Korhely, Sean Szill, Joel Gorski, Baby Addison Moleski, Jeff McCormick, Bobby Hengoed, Judy Gallagher, Alice Gruden, Collin Nemet, Kenneth Klubnik, Biaggio Boytim, Diane Lada, Raymond Kuhar, Jessica Kuhar, Stephen Kuhar III, Gregory Simecek, Alexis Simecek, Haley Simecek, Heather Hudak, William Kukoleck, Greg Jakupcik, Mary Ellen Popovich, James Malames and Ethelle Mirande.

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

Bingo - Join us for Bingo on Friday evenings beginning at 6pm in the Parish Center. Doors open at 4:30.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO: 440-884-3030

TEA...RIFFIC TEA - The St. Charles Ladies Guild Hi Tea Party, for ages 10-99, will be on Saturday, May 18th from noon until 3:30pm in Corrigan Gym. Featured guest speaker is Denise Dufala. Tickets are \$12 (ages 16-99) and \$10 (ages 10-15). Tickets can be purchased at the parish office until May 10th.

ST. LEO THE GREAT: 216-661-1006

Bus Trip - Join us on Thursday, May 30th for a trip to the Meadows Racetrack & Casino. Cost is \$40/person with a Casino bonus: \$25 free play. Please call Joanne Todd at 440-526-3505 for more information or to book your trip.

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.

Readings *of the Week*

Readings for the Week of May 5, 2019

- Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14
- Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30 [1ab]/Jn 6:22-29
- Tuesday: Acts 7:51--8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab [6a]/Jn 6:30-35
- Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a [1]/Jn 6:35-40
- Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20 [1]/Jn 6:44-51
- Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 6:52-59
- Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116: 12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [12]/Jn 6:60-69
- Next Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 [3c]/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30

St. Thomas More Church
MAY CROWNING



THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2019
Rosary 6:45 pm
Liturgy 7:00 pm

Crowning of the Blessed Mother immediately following the liturgy. Please feel free to bring flowers for the May altar.

NATIONAL NURSES' WEEK MASS

Calling all active and retired nurses! Please join us during National Nurses' Week on Friday, May 10th at 6:30 pm for a special Mass at St. Thomas More Parish. Reception will follow. This event is sponsored by the Diocese of Cleveland Sodality of Catholic Nurses, which is the local affiliate of The National Association of Catholic Nurses (nacn-usa.org). Let us come together to rest and renew; Jesus said to his apostles, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while" (Mark 6:31). RSVP is not necessary but would be helpful (CNSOFCLE@gmail.com). For more information contact Clarice DeJesus, RN at 440-479-4996. Please pass the word along and bring your colleagues!

PRE-PLAN FUNERAL INFORMATION

If you are interested in planning your own funeral Mass, please contact the rectory. One of the members of the Ministry of Consolation will contact you and set up a meeting. Pre-Planning has many advantages. You are able to select your favorite readings and songs for your Mass. It also takes a lot of stress away from your loved ones.

MOTHER'S DAY CARDS

The Women's Guild will be selling Mother's Day cards after all Masses this weekend. The price of the cards are \$2 for living and \$1 for deceased. All registered will be remembered at five masses throughout the year with the first one being on Mother's Day. The cards are also available at the rectory.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

On June 23rd, the parish will have a celebration of our patron saint, St. Thomas More. The day will be filled with food, entertainment and family activities. Tickets for our \$10,000 raffle are \$5.00 each. Returns can be dropped off at the rectory or in the collection basket. Additional tickets are also available at the rectory.

**DO GOOD
WITH BURRITOS**



Join us at our restaurant for a fundraiser to support St Thomas More PTU. Just come in to the Chipotle at **10325 Cascade Crossing** in Brooklyn on **Monday, May 6th** from **5:00pm to 9:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to St Thomas More PTU.



Online orders will not be included in the fundraiser total. To ensure your purchase is counted in the fundraiser, be sure to order and pay in-restaurant. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count.

THANK YOU MESSAGES FROM OUR SEMINARIANS OF THE MONTH

Dear Fr Bouhall and St Thomas More Parish,

I just wanted to take a moment to express my gratitude for all of you! It has been a wonderful blessing and gift from God to be your Seminarian of the Month. As a current 2nd Theologian, I'm at a particularly challenging time in my seminary formation and faith journey; I have diaconate ordination right around the corner! Last semester was extremely difficult. So far, this semester has been much smoother - I feel more peaceful, confident, joy-filled and excited for the future. All of your cards and support have been welcome surprises, brightening my day. And I have no doubt that your prayers are keeping me going as well!

May God bless each of you, In Christ, Cameron Popik

Dear Fr. Bouhall and Parishioners of St. Thomas More.

Thank you and all of the parishioners for praying for me and supporting me in my vocation. Your prayers will help me a lot on my journey of following God's calling. Currently, my schedule has picked up and I am pretty busy, but perhaps after the semester ends I will have a chance to come and speak to your parishioners or simply visit. May God bless all of you for prayers and support you have given me.

Peace in Christ.

Joseph Duong Viet Ho

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Each year in the Diocese of Cleveland, a special collection is taken up in all parishes to support the Catechetical Ministries of the Office of Catechetical Formation & Education. Funding from this collection supports Newman Campus Ministry, Adult Faith Formation, Media Literacy, Parish Catechetical Leadership Training and Catechist Certification. A contribution to the Catechetical Ministries is an investment in the faith formation and religious education of every person of every age in the Diocese. Please consider giving to this very special collection.

“Start being brave about everything. Drive out darkness and spread light. Don’t look at your weaknesses. Realize instead that in Christ crucified you can do everything.”

St. Catherine of Siena

FAITH DIRECT

May is the month for planning. We plan our Memorial Day cookout menus, we plan our children’s activities, we plan our summer travel. But have you planned your giving to St. Thomas More?

By enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct you can plan your giving through the summer so your gifts will reach St. Thomas More even when you cannot, and our ministries can continue uninterrupted.

Signing up is easy! Visit faith.direct/OH684 or download the free app and use our church code: OH684.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

Peace and Goodness,
Fr. Bill

ALPINE EUROPE PILGRIMAGE
Featuring the Passion Play of Oberammergau
11 DAYS: SEPTEMBER 21 - OCTOBER 1, 2020
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FR. BILL BOUHALL
 AND
FR. JOHN MICELI

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DON'T WAIT FOR 2030!! SIGN UP TODAY!!!

