

# ST. THOMAS MORE

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## Mission Statement

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.

## Parish Staff

Rev. William G. Bouhall  
*Pastor*

Rev. James J. Vesely  
*Pastor Emeritus*

Rev. Mr. Charles Zawadzki  
*Deacon*

John Srsen  
*Music Director*

Patricia Campbell  
*Business Manager*

Lisa Carson  
*Parish Secretary*

Jeff Stutzman  
*Youth Ministry*

## Mass Schedule

### Masses of Obligation

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

### Rectory Times

Sunday - 9 - 11:30 a.m.  
Monday - Friday - 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Saturday - 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
*Closed on Mondays from 1-2:30 p.m.  
for Staff Meetings*

### Confessions

Saturdays - 3 - 4 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.

## St. Thomas More School

Grades Pre-K - 8  
4180 North Amber Drive  
P: 216.749.1660

Jennifer Francis  
*Principal*



## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3 – VIGIL

+\*4:30PM - Leo Schueler, Jr.

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4 – THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

+9:00AM - People of the Parish

\*11:00AM - James Bogucki

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5 – WEEKDAY

7:00AM - Rev. Wallace Berrier

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6 – WEEKDAY

7:00AM - Sister Elaine Theresa Burrows, SIW

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7 – WEEKDAY

7:00AM - Lillian & Steve Hudak

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8 – WEEKDAY

7:00AM - Rev. James J. Vesely (Living)

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9 – THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

7:00AM - Deceased Members of the John Yambor Family

8:15AM - William & Lucille Burke - Student Liturgy

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10 – ST. LEO THE GREAT

8:15AM - Anne Sidelka

1:00PM - Selesky/Hageman Wedding

\*4:30PM - Joseph Swancer

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11 – THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

\*9:00AM - Darrin Todd

+11:00AM - People of the Parish

+Cup Mass

\*Mass of Remembrance

## Financial Blessings

Collection for October 28th.....	\$5,431.00
Maintenance .....	\$742.00
Votives.....	\$70.00

Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

### TRAVELING MADONNA

This week the statue is at the home of **Robert Kristof**. 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.

## Weekly Schedule

### Monday, November 5

### NO SCHOOL

4:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Basketball Practice - Gym
5:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Board of Elections - Utopia Hall
6:45 PM - 8:00 PM	PSR - School
7:00 PM	RCIA - School

### Tuesday, November 6

### Election Day

5:00 AM - 10:00 PM	Board of Elections - Utopia Hall
4:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Basketball Practice - Gym
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Children's Choir - Church
7:00 PM	Adult Choir - Church
7:00 PM	Rosary for World Peace - Chapel

### Wednesday, November 7

5:00 PM Bingo - Gym & Utopia Hall

### Thursday, November 8

### Marco's Night

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Literacy Night (K-3)
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Cub Scout Meeting - Cafeteria
7:00 PM	Divine Mercy - Church

### Friday, November 9

4:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Basketball Practice - Gym
7:30 PM - 10:00 PM	JHYG Dance - Gym

### Saturday, November 10

### Utopia Rental

9:45 AM - 12:30 PM Catholic Renewal Ministry - Rectory

### Sunday, November 11

### Veterans Day

9:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Men's Basketball - Gym
12:00 PM	Women of Inspiration - Church
2:00 PM	Hope for the Holidays - Utopia Hall
6:00 PM	Football Banquets - 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 November 2nd the Church celebrated the feast of All Souls Day. Here at St. Thomas More we have a tradition of doing an evening prayer service for those who have died in the past year. Of course, all were welcome to attend, but the names of the deceased run from October 1, 2017 to October 1, 2018. The October first date is due to the fact that anything after that is too new for the family and the service may be too difficult. This is one of the most moving celebrations that we do here at St. Thomas More because it is a beautiful way to celebrate the memory of our loved ones.

All Souls Day is a time for us to remember our beloved dead, but also a time to pray for them. It is always important to remember the dead but it is just as important that we continue to pray for them. I know that many people want to deny the existence of Hell and for that part even purgatory, but they do exist. Not everyone makes it to Heaven. It is the hope and prayer of the Church that everyone would lead a holy life that they would enter into their eternal reward but it is not a given.

Hell does exist and we must remember what Jesus has taught us. The gate to Heaven is narrow but the road to Hell is wide. He does not tell us this to scare us nor am I writing this to scare anyone. It is just a fact. We pray as a Church for Hell to be empty but only God knows the status of Hell. Once a soul is sent to Hell, there is no going back. We know this because of the story of the rich man and Lazarus.

Purgatory is the purging of our sins before we enter into Heaven. There are sins in our lives that we try to free ourselves from but unfortunately we cannot seem to free ourselves totally from them. Purgatory is the process that cleanses us from these sins. Will it be painful? It could be. Will it be long? We do not know. What we do know is that once our sins have been purged, we will enter into our Heavenly home for all eternity.

This is why we pray for the dead, that their experience in Purgatory will be quick and hopefully not that painful. We pray that they are released from their suffering and find the joy and peace of God's Kingdom. The old saying, "offer it up for the poor souls in Purgatory" should not be forgotten nor should we to make sacrifices (big or small) for them. Remember, pray for the poor souls because one day you and I may need their prayers.

Peace and Goodness,  
*Fr. Bill*

Just a reminder, if you are lighting a candle by one of the statues, please make sure that you do not break the stick in the candle. When you do, the sticks have been catching fire and then setting the plastic insert on fire. This could start a fire and we would not like to have the church go up in smoke! Thank you!

## SAINT THOMAS MORE



*Lord, grant me a holy heart that sees always what is fine and pure and is not frightened at the sight of sin, but creates order wherever it goes.*

*Grant me a heart that knows nothing of boredom, weeping and sighing.*

*Let me not be too concerned with the bothersome thing I call "myself."*

*Lord, give me a sense of humor and I will find happiness in life and profit for others.*

## Readings *of the Week*

### Readings for the Week of November 4, 2018:

- Sunday: Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34
- Monday: Phil 2:1-4/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk 14:12-14
- Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11/Ps 22:26b-27, 28-30ab, 30e, 31-32 [26a]/Lk 14:15-24
- Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Lk 14:25-33
- Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [3b]/Lk 15:1-10
- Friday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [5]/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22
- Saturday: Phil 4:10-19/Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a and 9/Lk 16:9-15
- Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

## MUSIC MINISTRY

In the arms of Your Mercy, we find rest. Please join us on Thursday, November 8th at 7pm in the church for our next Divine Mercy Chaplet.

## 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 - NOVEMBER

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended You, and I detest all my sins, because I dread the loss of heaven and the pains of hell, but most of all because they offend You, my God, who are all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of Your grace, to confess my sins, to do penance, and to amend my life. Amen.

## WOMEN'S DAY OF SAINTS

Join us for a meeting on Sunday, November 11th in the church library following the 11am Mass.

#weGIVECATHOLIC

More details to come. Mark your calendars for Tuesday, November 27th!



Nickola Badza, Ethel Whipkey, Carol Loy, Vinny Mercurio, Martha & George Kysil, Greg Jakupcik, Raymond Kuhar, Jessica Kuhar, Stephen Kuhar III, Alexis Simecek, Gregory Simecek, Heather Hudak, Mary Misch, John Misch, Marybeth Hayet, Alice Gruden, Collin Nemet, Kenneth Klubnik, Diane Lada, Grayson Wilmot, John Szill, Melissa Korhely, Sean Szill, Joel Gorski, Nancy Butler, Gail Michal, Ashley Meadows, Gay Hengoed, Marge Babik, Donald Marks, Mary Ellen Popovich, Melissa Horvath, James Malames and Ann Dloniak. 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**

**National Adoption Month** - November is National Adoption Month. To celebrate, MQP invites all to our annual Mass on Sunday, November 11th at 2pm.

**ST. CHARLES BORROME0: 440-884-3030**

**Women's Advent Retreat** - Join the women of St. Charles for a day of renewal, reflection, food, and community. Our 2nd annual Advent Retreat will be held on Sunday, December 2nd after the 10am Mass in the Parish Activity Center. This retreat is for women age 20-50. For more information, contact Margarita Selig at margaritaselig13@gmail.com or 845-625-4333. Please sign up by November 16th by visiting <https://app.simplesignups.com/signup/HyRRk39Y7z>. We are asking everyone to bring an offering of \$10, but if you're unable, please don't let that be a hindrance.

**ST. LEO THE GREAT: 216-661-1006**

**Bus Trip** - Join us on Thursday, December 6th for a trip to Oglebay. We will stop at Hilltop shops, the Glass Museum, Wilson Lodge buffet (dinner included), Winter Fantasy at the Good Zoo and end with the Festival of Lights. Cost is \$92. Please call Joanne Todd at 440-526-3505 to book your trip.

## WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

We recently registered the following people at St. Thomas More during the month of **October** - June Harwood & Anthony Stachowski and Christine Ivaskovic. Welcome to you!

## NOVEMBER MEMORIAL CANDLES

In the month of November, we remember our beloved dead. This year, why not honor them with a Memorial Candle? This Memorial Candle will have their name inscribed on it and will be lit for the whole month of November. Candles are \$20 for a new candle and \$15 if you are returning your 2017 candle. Forms are available at the rectory and in the main church vestibule.

## 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 to set up a convenient time to meet. 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. Please consider this option and call the rectory.

# Marriage & Banns

III - Andrea Selesky & Patrick Hageman

## YOUTH MINISTRY

There is no activity this weekend. We will gather next Sunday, November 11th from 6-8pm. On Sunday, November 18th, we will gather to assemble the parish's Advent Giving Tree tags from 6-8pm in the Youth Ministry Center. Service hours are available for helping with this project.

## ATHLETICS

Thank you to everyone who purchased donuts during last week's sale. The next sale is scheduled for November 17th & 18th. We would also like to express our gratitude to the parish for their support of all of our fall teams, especially our varsity football team that made it to the CYO championship game.

## CUB SCOUTS

The St. Thomas More Cub Scouts would like to give back to our parish by cleaning 4-6 lawns of leaves and debris on Saturday, November 10th for some who may need some assistance. Please give us a call at 216-335-9147 or email us at stmpack319@outlook.com.

## 2019 MASS INTENTIONS

The Mass book for 2019 is available at the rectory, Monday through Friday from 9am until 4:30pm. A donation of \$10 is requested for each intention. To ensure that everyone is able to schedule their Masses, **at this time you may schedule two Masses per family.**

## THANKSGIVING MEAL PROGRAM

The City of Brooklyn in conjunction with St. Thomas More is sponsoring its annual Thanksgiving meal program. If your family could use assistance this Thanksgiving, please contact the rectory at 216-749-0414 by Wednesday, November 7th.

## THANKSGIVING FOOD COLLECTION

The weekend of November 10th-11th food will be collected for the City of Brooklyn Food Collection which will serve the needy in our area. Please bring ONLY items that would be used for a Thanksgiving dinner, such as sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, potatoes, vegetables, desserts, etc. Donations can be dropped off in the church library. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

## ADVENT GIVING TREE

If you or someone you know **who lives within the parish area** is in need of assistance, please contact the rectory. The deadline to register is November 15th. Due to the overwhelming interest in this program, we will only be taking information for people in the parish area. The Giving Tree will be in the church library beginning on November 24th.

## CHICO'S BUS TRIP

Join us on Wednesday, December 5th for a trip to Presque Isle. Cost is \$30/person. Casino Bonus: \$30 free play. Call Chico at 216-551-7561 or Betty Konopka at 216-459-1434 to book your trip.

## 2018 CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL

Thank you! Your continuing support of the 2018 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal is making a difference and changing lives right here in our parish, our community and throughout the Diocese.

Here at St. Thomas More, 165 parishioners have pledged \$22,666 toward our parish goal of \$22,109. That is 102.52% of our overall goal! Your support makes a difference and transforms lives.

Thank you for answering the call to be missionary disciples: to be charitable, loving, caring, and to reach out to those in need who cannot help themselves.

**PARISH FEAST DAY & EVANGELIZING SISTERS OF MARY WELCOME DINNER**



**Saturday  
November 10**  
5:00pm — 8:00pm  
St. Charles Corrigan Gym

Catered by ~ 

Parish Council welcomes all parishioners to the ~  
**1<sup>st</sup> Annual St. Charles Borromeo Feast Day Dinner Welcoming the Evangelizing Sisters of Mary**

Adult: \$15 | Child 6—12 yrs: \$5 | Infant—age 5: Free

Advance sale tickets only available in the Parish Office.  
All ages need a ticket to attend. Stancato's Catering will serve dinners throughout the evening.

Besides enjoying a delicious dinner & fellowship with other parishioners, proceeds will benefit the *St. Charles Special Education Program.*

MENU

Roast Beef . Baked Chicken  
Penne Pasta Vegetable Medley  
House Salad . Garlic Sticks  
Coffee . Tea . Punch . Lemonade  
Pastries . Cake



Sponsored by St. Thomas More Ministry of Consolation

HANDLING THE HOLIDAYS IN THE MIDST OF GRIEF AND LOSS

# Hope for the Holidays



Sunday- **November 11, 2018 2PM**

**Utopia Hall – St. Thomas More  
4170 North Amber Drive Brooklyn, Ohio**

St. Thomas More Ministry of Consolation is sponsoring a program to **HELP ALL** who are hurting through the loss of a loved one –especially during the Holiday Season.

Our Guest Speaker **\*\* Cassandra Zabor \*\*** (Zabor Funeral Home) will give a presentation on Grief Management to help us throughout the holidays. She will cover many areas, such as **GUILT, LONELINESS, ANGER** and much more.

Please invite your family members and friends. If you have any questions, please call Peggy at 216-402-2773.

**\*\*A table with resources and booklets will be available for you \*\***  
Coffee and Bakery will also be provided.



*Please come and allow us to Help Heal your Hurting Hearts*

## ALPINE EUROPE PILGRIMAGE

**Featuring the Passion Play of Oberammergau  
11 DAYS: SEPTEMBER 21 - OCTOBER 1, 2020**

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AND  
FR. JOHN MICELI**

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

