



# ST. THOMAS MORE

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## Parish Staff

**Rev. William G. Bouhall**  
*Pastor*

**Rev. James J. Vesely**  
*Pastor Emeritus*

**Rev. Mr. Charles Zawadzki**  
*Deacon*

**Lisa Carson**  
*Parish Secretary*

**Terri Sozio**  
*Religious Education*

**John Srsen**  
*Music Director*

**Jeff Stutzman**  
*Youth Ministry*

## St. Thomas More School

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

**Jennifer Francis**  
*Principal*

## Mass Times

### Masses of Obligation

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

## 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

Saturday - 3 - 4 p.m.

*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.



**SATURDAY, AUGUST 31 – VIGIL**  
 +4:30PM - Msgr. Edward Halloran

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 – TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
 9:00AM - People of the Parish  
 +\*11:00AM - Stella Penich

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 – LABOR DAY**  
 9:00AM - People of the Parish

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 – ST. GREGORY THE GREAT**  
 7:00AM - Robert Kalal

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 – WEEKDAY**  
 7:00AM - Rev. Richard Kielbasa

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 – ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA**  
 7:00AM - Edward Steadley

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 – WEEKDAY**  
 7:00AM - All Souls' Day Intentions  
 8:15AM - Judy Zauszniewski - Student Liturgy

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 – WEEKDAY**  
 8:15AM - Louis Worch, Sr.  
 \*4:30PM - William R. Engel

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 – TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
 +9:00AM - Mother's Day Enrollment  
 11:00AM - People of the Parish  
 +Cup Mass  
 \*Mass of Remembrance

## Financial Blessings

Collection for August 25th.....\$5,979.05  
 Faith Direct as of 8/15.....\$2,649.00  
 Maintenance.....\$1,180.00  
 Votives.....\$50.00

Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.



Please remember Sue Sullivan Klasson and Paula Lewis in your prayers. God grant them eternal rest.

## Weekly Schedule

### Monday, September 2

RECTORY CLOSED

### Tuesday, September 3 **FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**

4:00 PM - 9:00 PM Volleyball Practice - Gym  
 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Choir Practice - Church  
 7:00 PM Rosary for World Peace - Chapel

### Wednesday, September 4

5:00 PM Bingo - Gym & Utopia Hall

### Thursday, September 5

4:00 PM - 9:00 PM Volleyball Practice - Gym  
 7:00 PM Cub Scouts - Utopia Hall  
 7:00 PM Lessons in Prayer - Church

### Friday, September 6

2:00 PM - 7:00 PM Eucharistic Devotions - Church  
 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM Volleyball Practice - Gym  
 7:00 PM Benediction - Church

### Saturday, September 7

8:15 AM - 10:00 AM Men's Group - Church  
 Utopia Rental  
 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Men's Basketball - Gym  
 9:00 AM Come & See - Church Library  
 between Masses  
 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM High School Youth Ministry

## Grandparents Day

### 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**

This weekend we celebrate the civil holiday of Labor Day. I would like to take the opportunity and share with you the reasons why I feel this is a day of praise and honor to our Lord. Our great and mighty God has blessed us with the many gifts and talents that have defined and shaped us. St. Paul tells us that we are not all called to be the hands or the feet, there is only one head and that is Jesus, the rest of us are called to make up the Body of Christ. We today are given the opportunity to become whatever we want whether it be teachers or preachers, nurses or doctors, accountants or lawyers, policemen or firemen, as long as we use the talents that God has given us to bring praise to His name and charity to His people.

Labor Day is about becoming appreciative of the skills God has given to us to make a decent living and help those around us. We are also reminded on this day that the earth has been entrusted to us from the beginning of time. We are called to use our gifts and talents to preserve the earth not abuse it. The fruits of our labors are given to us by God who has filled us with the blessings of this earth. We must then cultivate and respect the earth. God has given us many different talents so that we will be able to sustain life and see the beauty in all of creation.

There are many people who have been given the skill to see the beauty in all that God has created. They express this beauty in words, music, art and carvings. The skill of artists are able to capture the beauty of God's handiwork and share it for all to enjoy and bring hearts to praise the greatness of our God in the beauty of creation.

What holds all these different gifts, all these different talents, all these different blessings together is not something mind blowing, but simply love. If we are willing to work together and share our gifts, our talents, and our blessings with one another we will truly be able to help bring the Body of Christ come to full stature. It takes an act of love to labor for the greater glory of God and neighbor.

Labor Day is not just a day off from work but a reminder that we are called to work together to bring the love, mercy and compassion of our God to the world. This is why we should want to come together in the morning of Labor Day and worship our Savior and God.

Just a quick reminder that starting this Thursday I will be running a short three week workshop on the power prayer and technique of praying using the Benedictine and Ignatius methods. These workshops will last no longer than one hour. We will be meeting in the Deacon Marty meeting room located in the church (the old library) at 7pm. I hope you can make it.

Peace and Goodness,  
*Fr. Bill*

**PRAYER OF THE MONTH**  
**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.

**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.



**RECTORY CLOSED ON SEPTEMBER 2ND**

The rectory will be closed on Monday, September 2nd due to the observance of Labor Day and Mass will be at 9am.

**TRAVELING MADONNA**

This week the statue is at the home of  
**Marty & Charlotte Rini.**

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.

## MUSIC MINISTRY

In the arms of Your Mercy, we find rest. Please join us on Thursday, September 12th at 7pm in the church for our next Divine Mercy Chaplet.

## 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. All men are welcome!

## WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

We recently registered the following people at St. Thomas More during the month of **August** – Brad, Clare, Grant, Samuel & Paige Korfant and Mills & Lillian Mooney. Welcome to all of you!

## FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC DEVOTION

Every First Friday of the month we have exposition of the Eucharist from 2-7pm ending with Benediction. Call the rectory if you are able to commit to one half hour on September 6th.



**REMEMBER**  
*in your prayers*

Nickola Badza, Alice Gruden, Carol Loy, Vinny Mercurio, Debbie Tomusko, George & Martha Kysil, Raymond Kuhar, Jessica Kuhar, Stephen Kuhar III, Alexis Simecek, Gregory Simecek, Haley Simecek, Heather Hudak, William Kukoleck, Fran Blaha, Angie Sima, Marybeth Sarko, Donald McAlindon, Mary Ellen Popovich, Diane Lada, James Malames, Mary Misch, John Misch, Tom Misch, Tim Misch, Marge Goss, Grayson Wilmot, John Szill, Melissa Korhely, Sean Szill, Jeff McCormick, Bobby Hengoed, Mick Jones, Juliana Turner, Meg Zalar, Stephanie Ziolkowski, Jean Palumbo, Marlene Sutowski, Ida Jean Hopkins, Joy Turner, Jeremy Cheetham, Pam Turner, Jennifer Palumbo, Colleen & Christian Purcell and Greg Jakupcik. 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**

**The Troops of Saint George** - is a Catholic Father and son group. It holds troop meetings working on spiritual, physical, patriotic, family and manly skills. It is an opportunity for fathers and sons to spend quality time together and with other families in the troop. Learn more at an information night on Wednesday, September 4th at 7:30pm. Email Joel Woods, to sign up at [cletsg153@gmail.com](mailto:cletsg153@gmail.com).

([www.troopsofsaintgeorge.org](http://www.troopsofsaintgeorge.org))

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

**Great Adventure Bible Study** - presents...How Christianity Confronts Culture: Then & Now! September 3-October 30 on Tuesdays from 9:30-10:45am or Wednesdays from 7-8:15pm. Cost is \$10/person. Please register by September 1st. Questions? Contact Brian Pelcin in the parish office. All are Welcome!

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

**Bus Trip** - Join us on Thursday, September 26th for our Walnut Creek trip. Stops include Ashery Country Store, Hershberger Bakery & Farmer's Market, Der Dutchman (lunch included), Hillcrest Orchard, Heini's Cheese, Schrock Heritage Village & Breitenbach Winery. Cost is \$70/person. Please call Joanne Todd at 440-526-3505. All are welcome!

## Readings *of the* Week ©LPi

### Readings for the week of September 1, 2019

Sunday: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11 [cf. 11b]/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14  
Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30  
Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 4:31-37  
Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10,11 [10]/Lk 4:38-44  
Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 5:1-11  
Friday: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/Lk 5:33-39  
Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/Lk 6:1-5  
Next Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13,14-17 [1]/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33



Congratulations and welcome  
Jaxon Robert Hunt and  
Ashton Jude & Austin Charles Palchesko  
who were baptized last weekend at  
St. Thomas More. God bless you!

**AN INVITATION TO THE WOMEN  
OF OUR PARISH**

*We* extend an invitation to all the ladies of St. Thomas More Parish to join the Women's Guild as we celebrate our 74th Year!

*Help* us support our parish by financial means and with your prayers.

*To* be remembered in our monthly Masses.

*To* support our members in time of sickness or death.

***How* Can You Join?**

*You* can place your \$5.00 membership dues in the church envelope provided in the month of September.

*Our* monthly meetings are in Utopia Hall at 1pm on the second Tuesday of the month running from September through May. The meetings are entertaining, informative, fun, spiritual, and always include refreshments and door prizes!

*The* 2019-2020 calendar of events include:

*Music* Bingo

*Singing* Hands

*Bob & Shelly* Orlandi

*Carol* Starr (Elizabeth Seton)

*Spring* Style Show (presented by Christopher & Banks of Great Northern Mall)

*Please* consider joining the St. Thomas More Women's Guild!

*Bernice* Barker, President

**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.

**FAITH FORMATION**

RCIA - Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Do you know anyone interested in becoming Catholic? If so, please contact the rectory at 216-749-0414. Sessions will begin in September.

**PSR**

Classes will be held on Monday evenings from 6:45-8pm and will begin on September 16th. For any families with students in grades 1-8 that will be new to the program next year, please contact Terri Sozio at psr.stm@gmail.com. Forms are also available at the rectory.

**RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**

The American Red Cross blood drive will be at St. Leo's Parish Center on Tuesday, September 10th from 4-8pm. Please register at redcrossblood.org.

**50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

The 50th Anniversary of Marriage Mass in the Diocese of Cleveland is scheduled for Saturday, October 12, 2019 at 10am in the Cathedral of St.

John the Evangelist, with the Most Rev. Nelson J. Perez as presider and homilist. Please

note the date change. This Mass is for couples residing within the Diocese of Cleveland married 50 years. Couples celebrating other significant anniversaries (55 or over), or who have missed previous celebrations are welcome to register. Registration is all done online.




Please use the following link: <https://ccdcle.wufoo.com/forms/50th-wedding-anniversary-mass-2019/>.

Registration will not be available via fax or email. Registration for the 50th Wedding Anniversary Mass closes on Monday, September 16th.

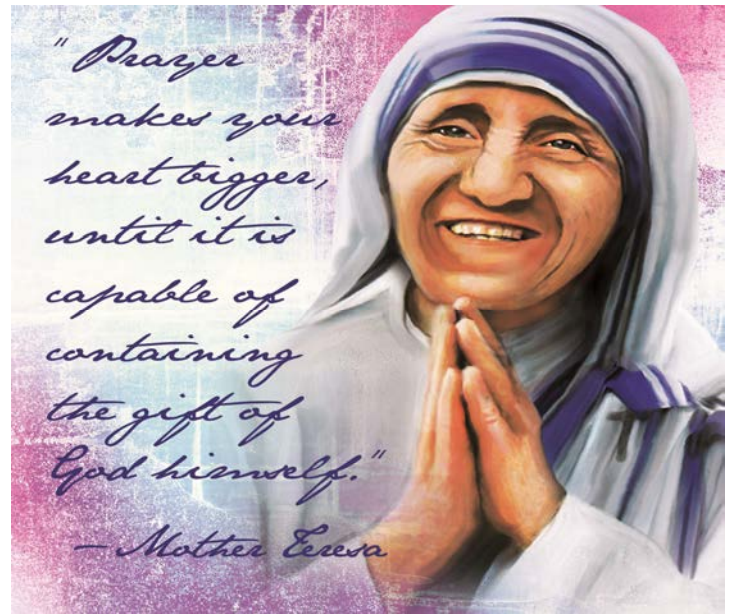
**THEOLOGY • ON • THE • ROCKS**  
**WEST**  
FOR ADULTS 40& OVER

**Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup> - 7:00pm**

How can we help others discover faith again?  
Join us as Fr. Daniel Schlegel, Secretary and Vicar for  
Clergy and Religious, helps us  
Reignite the Fire of Our Faith!  
AND it's our ONE YEAR Anniversary-  
Help us celebrate a year of coming  
together in faith!



**NEW LOCATION: 100<sup>TH</sup> BOMB GROUP  
20920 BROOKPARK ROAD, CLEVELAND  
\$12 per person - register in advance:  
[www.theologyontherocks.wixsite.com/west](http://www.theologyontherocks.wixsite.com/west)**



## ARE YOU CALLED TO THE SECULAR FRANCISCAN LIFE?

Would you like to give more time to God but wonder how to do that when your life is so busy? Do you feel a need for holiness, and a need for support in growing spirituality? Perhaps your heart has been moved by stories of St. Francis of Assisi, or the Peace Prayer attributed to him, and you are seeking the same holy simplicity, true peace and joy? If so, Christ may be calling you to explore the Secular Franciscan life. St. Francis Secular Franciscan Fraternity is offering you an invitation to Come & See on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> in the Deacon Marty Room (old library) after the 9am and the 11am Masses. For more information please contact Robin Imbrigiotta OFS, Formation director, at 440-552-9061.

## HOLY NAME SOCIETY

The winners for the August Drawing were Jim Reiss (\$100) and David Kuebler (\$50). Tickets for the September Drawing are being sold by Holy Name Members. Thanks to all the faithful who buy tickets every month.

## SISTERS OF THE INCARNATE WORD

Please join the Sisters of the Incarnate Word as we pray at our Labyrinth; Path of Blessings on Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup> from 9:30-11am (6618 Pearl Road, Parma Heights). Coffee, pastries & conversation immediately following. Please RSVP by calling 440-886-6440, ext. 415. You may leave a message. You may also RSVP via email: [siwdevelopment@yahoo.com](mailto:siwdevelopment@yahoo.com).

## BACK-TO-SCHOOL PRAYER

God of all knowledge, you knew us when we were still in our mother's womb.  
You know our comings and our goings.  
Grant us wisdom to act on the knowledge we have of you, and humility to admit when we do not know what to do.  
Bless our minds with the knowledge of you and how you sent your Son into the world to show us the way to you.  
Bless all students who are preparing to go back to school.  
Bless their teachers and aides that help them to learn.  
In addition, give us who are parents the ability to be the first teachers in the faith we have received from our parents.  
We ask all this through Christ our Lord and brother.  
Amen.

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