

ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH



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Mass Times

Weekend

Saturday - 4:30pm

Sunday - 9am & 11am

Weekdays

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday - 8:15am

Tuesday - 6:45pm

No Mass on Thursday

Holy Days

Eve - 6:45pm

Holy Days - 8:15am, 11:15am & 6:45pm

Confessions

Saturday - 3:30pm until 4:15pm

Rectory Hours

Monday - Friday - 9am-3pm

Parish Staff

Rev. Michael J. Feldtz
Pastor

Rev. Donald E. Snyder
Retired, In Residence

Deacon Don Brandt
Permanent Deacon

Deacon Charles Zawadzki
Retired Permanent Deacon

Sr. Jane Reisinger, SND
Pastoral Associate

Lisa Carson
Office Manager

Melissa Wensing
Business Manager

John Mastandrea
Development

Lorrie Wenmoth
Music Director

Terri Sozio
Religious Education



St. Thomas More School
PreSchool thru 8th Grade

Meg Cosgriff - Principal
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ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH

BROOKLYN, OH 44144



THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12 -

VIGIL

4:30 PM - People of the Parish

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13 -

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*9:00 AM - Anthony Busser

*11:00 AM - Elmer V. Davtovich

MONDAY, AUGUST 14 -

ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE

8:15 AM - Loretta Grombol

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15 -

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8:15 AM - Steven Olowinski

11:15 AM - Mother's Day Enrollment

6:45 PM - Theresa Grabe

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16 -

ST. STEPHEN OF HUNGARY

8:15 AM - Mike & Helen Yasko

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17 -

WEEKDAY

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18 -

WEEKDAY

8:15 AM - All Souls' Day Intentions

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19 -

ST. JOHN EUDES

8:15 AM - Jack Murphy

*4:30 PM - Lois Girardi

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20 -

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 AM - People of the Parish

*11:00 AM - Robert Pacanovsky

*Mass of Remembrance

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

Collection for August 6th \$4,669.00
Maintenance \$2,858.00
Student's Weekly Offering (10 Envelopes) \$22.50
Easter Collection \$16,704.00
Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

FAITH DIRECT

Enroll online at faith.direct/OH684. Have questions?
Please email info@faithdirect.net or call toll free 1-866-507-8757.

Monday, August 14

3:30 - 4:30 PM Grade 2 Volleyball Practice - Gym

5:00 - 6:00 PM Grade 3 & 4 Volleyball Practice - Gym

5:00 - 6:30 PM Grade 4 Football Practice - STM Field

6:00 - 7:00 PM Grade 5 Volleyball Practice - Gym

6:00 - 8:00 PM Grade 1 & 2 Football Practice - Rec. Field

6:30 - 8:00 PM Grade 3 Football Practice - STM Field

7:00 - 9:00 PM Grade 8 Volleyball Practice - Gym

Tuesday, August 15 FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

9:30 AM Breakfast with the Word - Rectory

5:00 - 6:30 PM Grade 6 & 7 Volleyball Practice - Gym

5:30 - 6:30 PM Grades 3-6 Cheerleading

Wednesday, August 16

3:30 - 4:30 PM Grade 2 Volleyball Practice - Gym

5:00 - 6:30 PM Grade 4 Football Practice - STM Field

5:00 - 6:30 PM Grade 6 & 7 Volleyball Practice - Gym

6:00 - 8:00 PM Grades 1 & 2 Football Practice - Rec. Field

7:00 - 9:00 PM Grade 8 Volleyball Practice - Gym

Thursday, August 17

5:00 - 6:00 PM Grades 3 & 4 Volleyball Practice - Gym

5:00 - 6:30 PM Grade 4 Football Practice - STM Field

6:00 - 7:00 PM Grade 5 Volleyball Practice - Gym

6:30 PM Spiritual Life Commission Meeting - Church

6:30 - 8:00 PM Grade 3 Football Practice - STM Field

7:00 - 9:00 PM Grade 8 Volleyball Practice - Gym

Friday, August 18

5:00 - 6:30 PM 6/7 Volleyball Practice - Gym

5:30 - 6:30 PM Grades 1 & 2 Cheerleading Practice

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

CHAIRPERSON: Emily Blaich

SECRETARY: Dawn Thomas

REGISTRATION

Persons who live within parish boundaries should be properly registered. This includes all students in high school and college. Register online or by calling the rectory. 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 8 months prior to the wedding date. Individual conferences, plus attendance at a pre-marriage program, are required for proper preparation.

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 13, 2023

FROM THE CORNER OFFICE

Last week we celebrated the *Feast of the Transfiguration*. This week we find ourselves in the *Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time*. The *First Reading* has **Elijah** coming out of the cave to get a glimpse of, "...the Lord ... passing by." It was only in the, "...tiny whispering sound" that **Elijah** hid his face as he experienced **God**. **St. Paul**, in the *Second Reading* continues to tell the **Romans** that he is speaking the truth of **Christ**, and that we are blessed by God. The story of **Jesus** and the disciples in the boat might be one that we can all relate to in our lives. The stormy waves of our lives, taking those first steps towards **Jesus**, but then falling deeper into the **waves of life**... The question though is, do we reach-out to **Jesus** with faith, one that hears **Jesus** ask us, "... **why do you doubt?**" Maybe a question we need to keep asking ourselves!

Fr. Mike

From the Pastor's Desk:

This week coming up will be a very busy week with the *Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*, the *endless-work* in the school as we get ready for the new school year, the continual **Summer of Fun** activities, and the start of the CYO sports seasons. That is all a lot right there when you look at it all... We will still be pushing for more engagement, more parents & kids who want to have fun, and *more people inviting friends* to join us all. See where you might find yourself in **this whole-mix of parish life** in Brooklyn here at **St. Thomas More!**

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 2023.

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.



August 19/20

LECTORS

Peggy Palumbo
Tim Lozar

SERVERS

MASS EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30 PM	Jim Higgins Barb Mundson David Marks
9:00 AM	Dolores Hules Meegan McKenna Jennifer Mladineo
11:00 AM	Joyce Stutzman Bernice Barker Heather Miksch

Jessica Brown
Jaclene Zauszniewski

Aidan Cepek
Aubrey Rankin
Danny Coughlin

Mike Sommers

Roger Kalbrunner



Melissa Ali, Marge Babik, Baby Eli, Terri Baranich, Carol Bauchens, Albert Becerra, Barbara Behlke, Lisa Bodnar, Robert Bonus, Jr., Kyle Burgess, Avianna Burgos, Janet Call, Shawn Calvey, Elizabeth DeLeon, Christine DeMarco, Dolores Dickey, Diana & Greg Downes, Erica Dzurik, Sharon Erich, Tom Erich, Julie Ersek & Joel, Patricia Foerster, Norma Gademer, Ruth Giaco, Sara Hardy, John Hearn, Bobby Hengood, Donna & Doris Kaczmarek, Jesse Kazimer, Melissa Korhely, Martha & George Kysil, Al Lada, Shirley M., Madonna, Scott & Family, Frank & Lucy Magyar, Dreama Mecklenburg, Vinny Mercurio, Dan Misch, John Misch, Kathy Mitchell, Marlene Mohnickey, Lillian Mooney, Rafaela Morales, Frank Mosia, Josalynn Murray, Jean Palumbo, Jodi Palumbo, Ronald Patten, Annette Pirozek, Therese Ptacek, Monica Puleo, Vinny Rini, Paula Ritter, Nancy Rozar, Janet Sekerak, Mike Sekerak, Irene & Tom Sheridan, Elaine Smet, Ron Sommers, Margie & Don Spritz, Jennifer Stancato, James Strnad, Anthony Tedesco, Sam Urban, Leroy & Patricia Werley, Skip Wilmot, Betty Wozniak and Deacon Chuck & Marian Zawadzki.

Please call the rectory by noon on Monday to add a name to the list. Names will remain on the list until you call to have them removed.

IN REMEMBRANCE

Please remember Joan Kimmel (sister of Archbishop Timothy Broglio) and Deacon Carlos Rivera in your prayers. God grant them eternal rest.

VOCATION CORNER

For all of the Friars in the

Franciscan Province of the Sacred Heart

You can learn more about this order by visiting: www.thefriars.org. Please keep the Friars and all those discerning a vocation in your prayers as we continue to pray for vocations. To let them know that they are in your thoughts and prayers, send a card to St. Anthony Friary, 3140 Meramec Street, St. Louis, MO 63118-4399.

FAITH FORMATION

RCIA - Do you know someone that has expressed an interest in the Catholic Faith? Or perhaps you or someone you know has not received all the Sacraments? We have an app for that! It is called RCIA! Please call the rectory to learn more about entering into the Catholic Faith.

PSR - Registration forms for the 2023-2024 school year are available at the rectory or by contacting psr@stmparish.net.

CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION 2024

Confirmation - If your child will be in the 8th grade for the 2023-2024 school year and are NOT in PSR or the day school, please contact Terri Sozio at psr@stmparish.net.

First Communion - If your child is not enrolled in PSR or the day school and is interested in making his/her First Communion, please email psr@stmparish.net.

2023 SUMMER OF FUN

Mark your calendar for our next Summer of Fun activities:

Ice Cream Social: Saturday, August 12th and Sunday, August 13th (after the 11am Mass)

Back to School Outdoor Mass, Backpack Blessing & Cookout:

Sunday, August 27th (11am Mass)

SAINT QUOTE

"The great method of prayer is to have none. If in going to prayer one can form in oneself a pure capacity for receiving the spirit of God, that will suffice for all method."

St. Jane Frances de Chantal (1572-1641),

Feast Day: August 12th

(Bulletin Quote provided by AZ Quotes; www.azquotes.com)

THANKFUL CORNER

Thank you to Bruce Page and Honey Hut for supplying the delicious ice cream for this weekend's Ice Cream Social.

A great big thanks to our Parish Council and all of the volunteers who have made this Summer of Fun possible!

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 13, 2023



We celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Tuesday, August 15th, which is a holy day of obligation. Our Mass schedule for Tuesday is 8:15am, 11:15am and 6:45pm.

ST. THOMAS MORE ATHLETICS

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the parents, parishioners, and kind passers-by who generously supported our student athletes' car wash event. Thanks to your unwavering support, we raised nearly \$1700, effectively covering the entire cost of equipment for our upcoming fall sports teams. A special shout-out goes to our dedicated coaches for their invaluable assistance. Despite the rain forecast for the weekend, we were blessed as it held off, allowing our event to take place smoothly. Your support and the grace of clear skies made it all possible. Thank you for coming together and showing the strength of our community and our shared determination. Your generosity and encouragement truly makes a difference in the lives of our young athletes, reminding us of the power of teamwork and the blessings that come from working together in faith. Thank you for helping us achieve our goals.

GO WOLVERINES!

2023 ST. THOMAS MORE FESTIVAL UPDATE

All of the expense receipts have been submitted and the final net profit is \$12,521.11.

Thank you to all of those who worked so hard to make this event so successful!

Lost & Found: A sweater and pair of shoes were left at the festival. If they are yours, you can pick them up at the rectory.

Donors: You can find a listing of our festival donors on the following page. Please support these local businesses and thank them for their generosity.

QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTIONS

If you are 70 1/2 or older, you may be able to make a gift of a Qualified Charitable Distribution from your IRA that will help us in our ministry and reduce your taxable income. Talk to your advisors and IRA administrator for more information and to be sure that your IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution gift is made directly from an IRA to a qualified charity such as our parish. Questions? Contact Fr. Mike in our parish office at 216-749-0414 or Jean Ann Montagna of the Catholic Community Foundation at 216-696-6525 x8070 or visit www.catholiccommunity.org/ira.

SEEDS OF LITERACY

WE NEED YOU! Seeds of Literacy is an award-winning, innovative adult literacy program that provides FREE, one-to-one tutoring in basic education and high school equivalency test prep to adults. Tutoring just one class a week is all it takes to change a life. We have opportunities for in-person tutoring, as well as virtual.

For more information, call 216-661-7950, x128 or email volunteering@seedsofliteracy.org.

ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY: PRE-PLANNING SEMINAR

The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a 1-hour pre-planning seminar on Wednesday, August 16th at 5:30pm. Learn about your Catholic burial options, including options for cremated remains. Attendees will receive a personal reference guide and a Savings Certificate. We kindly ask that you RSVP to this event at St. Joseph Cemetery (32789 Detroit Rd., Avon) by calling 216-641-7575 ext. 8 or email bdejohn@clecem.org.

ST. JOSAPHAT UKRAINIAN FESTIVAL

Festival at St. Josaphat (5720 State Rd., Parma) will be held on Saturday, August 26th from 12-11pm and Sunday, August 27th from 12-9pm. The Ukrainian Village Parade is on Saturday, August 26th at 11am on State Road from Grantwood to Lucerne. Festival features: Performance from "Harmonia", authentic Ukrainian food & beer, bouncy houses, wagon rides, face painting and other activities for kids. Free parking & admission.

More information can be found at www.stjosaphatcathedral.com or on Facebook www.facebook.com/stjosaphatcathedral.

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