

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

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ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH

BROOKLYN, OH 44144



THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26 -

VIGIL

*4:30 PM - Joyce Krist

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27 -

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 AM - People of the Parish

*11:00 AM - Merrie Smith

MONDAY, AUGUST 28 -

ST. AUGUSTINE

8:15 AM - Stas' & Irene Wyderka

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29 -

THE PASSION OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

6:45 PM - Rev. Russell P. Lowe

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30 -

WEEKDAY

8:15 AM - Msgr. Edward Halloran

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31 -

WEEKDAY

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 -

WEEKDAY

8:15 AM - Living & Deceased Members of the
Vanza Family

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 -

WEEKDAY

8:15 AM - Steven R. Smet

4:30 PM - People of the Parish

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 -

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 AM - St. Thomas More Faculty, Staff & Students

*11:00 AM - Popovich & Zerby Families

*Mass of Remembrance

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

Collection for August 20th \$3,148.00
Faith Direct as of 8/15 \$1,890.00
Maintenance \$1,515.00
Faith Direct Maintenance \$370.00
Student's Weekly Offering (7 Envelopes) \$36.50
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 28

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 - R. Field

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

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

Tuesday, August 29

9:30 AM Breakfast with the Word - Rectory

3:00 - 6:00 PM Diocesan Meeting - Utopia Hall

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

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

Wednesday, August 30

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 - R. Field

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

Thursday, August 31

1:00 PM 60+ Club - Rectory

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

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

Friday, September 1 Rectory closing at noon

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

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

Saturday, September 2 Rosary before Mass

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM CYO Football - STM Field

9:00 AM - 6:00 PM CYO Volleyball - Gym

Sunday, September 3 Rosary before Mass

1:00 - 6:00 PM CYO Volleyball - Gym

OUTDOOR BACK TO SCHOOL MASS

BACKPACK BLESSING

OPEN HOUSE & COOKOUT

Join us for an outdoor Mass this Sunday, August 27th at 11am. Students are encouraged to bring their backpacks for a special blessing & don't forget your chairs!

Following Mass, there will be an Open House from 12 - 1:30pm and a cookout on the parish grounds from 12 - 2pm.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 27, 2023

FROM THE CORNER OFFICE

The past few weeks have all been really building on the *prior week's readings*, and even on the reading from during the week. This *Twenty-First Sunday of Ordinary* finds us at a point of the disciples and "*particularly*" **Simon**. The weeks of storms, challenges, questions, and all of that brings us to **Jesus**' asking (all of us...) "*But who do you say that I am?*" In a very special way, a very good question, but in another way – one we all need to answer! The **First Reading**, the **Responsorial Psalm**, and **St. Paul** in the **Second Reading** are all very important. But they will never be more important than our reply as we stand in front of Jesus, when he asks,

"But who do you say that I am?"

Fr. Mike

From the Pastor's Desk:

This week is our ***Back to School Outdoor Mass and the Blessing of the Backpacks*** for the kids as part of our **2023 Summer of Fun** activities... NOW PLEASE do not see this as the end of summer or the end of parish **FUN!** We know that we "...*Are the Fun Parish!*" and this is not the finality of any of that stuff. We do want to help bring the school families together and help the students begin to prepare for their studies. Please be sure to thank the **Parish Council** volunteers and workers who have helped with these summer activities. We also have to thank all of you for pulling together to have fun and grow as a parish! *I hope you are having fun **TOO!***

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

The rectory will close at noon on Friday, September 1st and will be closed on Monday, September 4th due to the observance of Labor Day. Mass will be at 9am on Monday, September 4th.

60+ Club

The 60+ Club's next meeting is this Thursday, August 31st at 1pm in the rectory.

ROSARY

Next weekend, September 2nd & 3rd, a member of the parish will lead us in the rosary a half hour before each Mass. Come early and join us!



September 2/3

MASS EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:30 PM	Greg Booth Nina Ferguson Jim Higgins
9:00 AM	Jaime Decllet Dolores Hules Bonnie Kaznoch
11:00 AM	Brandy Emery Joanne Uhl Sue Poole

LECTORS

Sheryl Finohr Wendy Huynh
Jessica Brown Rob Cepek
Madelyn Koranda Mike Sommers

SERVERS

Emma Wright Danny Coughlin Noah Nguyen
Aubrey Rankin Jelicia Lopez Dolly Magistro
Roger Kalbrunner

Prayer REQUESTS

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, Ken Galaida, 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, Richard Roman, 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 Peter Popow, June Feldtz and Matthew Park 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.



II - Morgan Measures & James Jackman



Congratulations and welcome Nova Yolanda Gisentaner and Mars Gisentaner who were baptized on August 19th.

Congratulations to Remi Marie Drdek and Tommaso James Sasileo who were baptized on August 20th.

God bless you all!

BAPTISM PREPARATION

If you are interested in getting your child baptized, please call the rectory to begin Baptism preparations. Baptism is an important opportunity to not only bring a new member into our Catholic family, but also starts parents on their journey of passing their faith onto their child.

CONGRATULATIONS...WE'VE HIT OUR GOAL!

Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, we have exceeded our parish goal for the 2023 Catholic Charities Appeal! We're thrilled to reach this milestone but that does not mean the Appeal is over. Every day, Catholic Charities sees an increase in requests for services and programs that are proven to transform lives. The need continues and we hope your support will also continue. Together, we are making a difference.

EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL: OUR DIOCESAN LOGO

This logo was commissioned by the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland to recognize the convergence of three major events: our participation in Pope Francis' Synod on Synodality, our partaking in the National Eucharistic Revival, and the joyful celebration of our 175th anniversary as a diocese.



- ☒ At the center of this image are the host and the chalice, symbolizing the Eucharist – the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ – the source and summit of our lives as Catholic Christians. Bold, striking rays pour out from behind the host, symbolic of the inexhaustible grace that flows at every Eucharistic liturgy – grace that turns sinners into saints.
- ☒ The wide chalice is modeled after a 6th / 7th century Byzantine chalice housed at the Cleveland Museum of Art, and the image decorating the cup-portion of the chalice is taken from the logo of the Synod on Synodality; it is the Church walking together on mission.
- ☒ At the base of the chalice are the letters "CLXXV," which at first glance may appear to be some strange iteration of "CLEVELAND," but in fact represent the Roman numerals for "175," designating the 175th anniversary of our diocese.
- ☒ Framing the host, chalice, and rays is a square with a Jerusalem-type cross in each corner, crosses that are taken from our diocesan crest. Four words – GATHERED, BLESSED, BROKEN, SHARED – remind us of our Eucharistic identity as the People of God, whose lives take on their fullest meaning only when we give them away in sacrificial love.
- ☒ Finally, the beautiful blue tone serves as a subtle reminder of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the one who constantly and lovingly encourages us, "Do whatever He tells you." (Jn. 2:5)

TRAVELING MADONNA

This week the statue is at the home of
Jim & Paulette Higgins.

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.

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.

SAINT QUOTE

"Whenever we cover our brother's sin, God will cover ours; whenever we tell people about our brother's guilt, God will do the same about ours."

St. Poemen (340-450),
Monk, Desert Father, Feast Day: August 27th

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

St. Thomas More Parish Calendar
September 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>3 Rosary before Masses CYO Volleyball 1-6pm</p> 	<p>4 RECTORY CLOSED Mass at 9am</p> 	<p>5 6/7 Volleyball Practice 5-6:30pm 3-6 Cheerleading Practice 5:30-6:30pm</p> 	<p>6 Diocesan Meeting 3-6pm 4 Football Practice 5-6:30pm 1/2 Football Practice 6-8pm Curriculum Night 6:30pm</p>	<p>7 3/4 Volleyball Practice 5-6pm 4 Football Practice 5-6:30pm 5 Volleyball Practice 6-7pm 3 Football Practice 6:30-8pm 8 Volleyball Practice 7-9pm</p> 	<p>1 RECTORY CLOSED AT NOON 6/7 Volleyball Practice 5-6:30pm 1/2 Cheerleading Practice 5:30-6:30pm</p>	<p>2 CYO Football 9am-4pm CYO Volleyball 9am-6pm Confessions 3:30-4:15pm Rosary before Mass</p>
<p>10 Grandparents Day CYO Volleyball 1-6pm</p>	<p>11 Patriot Day 2 Volleyball Practice 3:30-4:30pm 3/4 Volleyball Practice 5-6pm 4 Football Practice 5-6:30pm 5 Volleyball Practice 6-7pm 1/2 Football Practice 6-8pm 3 Football Practice 6:30-8pm 8 Volleyball Practice 7-9pm</p>	<p>12 Breakfast with the Word 9:30am Diocesan Meeting 3-6pm 6/7 Volleyball Practice 5-6:30pm PSR 6:30-7:45pm 3-6 Cheerleading Practice 5:30-6:30pm</p>	<p>13 2 Volleyball Practice 3:30-4:30pm 6/7 Volleyball Practice 5-6:30pm 4 Football Practice 5-6:30pm 1/2 Football Practice 6-8pm PTU Meeting 6-7:30pm 8 Volleyball Practice 7-9pm</p>	<p>14 Athletics Pictures 4-8pm 3/4 Volleyball Practice 5-6pm 4 Football Practice 5-6:30pm 5 Volleyball Practice 6-7pm 3 Football Practice 6:30-8pm 8 Volleyball Practice 7-9pm</p>	<p>15 6/7 Volleyball Practice 5-6:30pm 1/2 Cheerleading Practice 5:30-6:30pm</p>	<p>16 CYO Football 9am-4pm CYO Volleyball 9am-6pm Confessions 3:30-4:15pm</p>
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<p>24 CYO Volleyball 1-6pm</p>	<p>25 2 Volleyball Practice 3:30-4:30pm 3/4 Volleyball Practice 5-6pm 4 Football Practice 5-6:30pm 5 Volleyball Practice 6-7pm 1/2 Football Practice 6-8pm 3 Football Practice 6:30-8pm 8 Volleyball Practice 7-9pm PPC Meeting 7pm</p>	<p>26 Breakfast with the Word 9:30am Women's Guild Board Meeting 1pm St. Elias Food Pantry 2pm 6/7 Volleyball Practice 5-6:30pm 3-6 Cheerleading Practice 5:30-6:30pm PSR 6:30-7:45pm</p>	<p>27 2 Volleyball Practice 3:30-4:30pm 6/7 Volleyball Practice 5-6:30pm 4 Football Practice 5-6:30pm 1/2 Football Practice 6-8pm 8 Volleyball Practice 7-9pm</p>	<p>28 60+ club 1pm 3/4 Volleyball Practice 5-6pm 4 Football Practice 5-6:30pm 5 Volleyball Practice 6-7pm 3 Football Practice 6:30-8pm 8 Volleyball Practice 7-9pm</p>	<p>29 Utopia Rental 6/7 Volleyball Practice 5-6:30pm 1/2 Cheerleading Practice 5:30-6:30pm</p> 	<p>30 Utopia Rental CYO Football 9am-4pm CYO Volleyball 9am-6pm</p>