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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

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

> Jeff Stutzman Youth Minister



## ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH

# **BROOKLYN, OH 44144**



## SATURDAY, APRIL 8 -HOLY SATURDAY

8:45 PM - People of the Parish

## **SUNDAY, APRIL 9 -**

# EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

9:00 AM - People of the Parish 11:00 AM - People of the Parish



## MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

8:15 AM - All Souls' Day Intentions

## TUESDAY, APRIL 11 -

#### **TUESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER**

6:45 PM - Memorial Garden

## **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12 -**

#### WEDNESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

8:15 AM - Joseph Valencik

### **THURSDAY, APRIL 13-**

THURSDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER FRIDAY, APRIL 14 -

#### FRIDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER

8:15 AM - Albert & Eleanore Tapajna

### SATURDAY, APRIL 15 -

### **SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER**

8:15 AM - Mary Schroeder \*4:30 PM - Ellen Ziska

## **SUNDAY, APRIL 16-**

## **SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY**

9:00 AM - People of the Parish

- \*11:00 AM Joseph Kastelic
- \*Mass of Remembrance



## FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

<u> </u>	
Collection for April 2nd\$7,967.00	
Maintenance\$3,064.00	
Student's Weekly Offering (31 Envelopes) \$179.50	
Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.	



### Monday, April 10

NO SCHOOL & RECTORY CLOSED

5:00 PM - 8:00 PM Practice

### Tuesday, April 11

NO SCHOOL OR PSR

11:30 AM Women's Guild Meeting - Utopia Hall

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Practice

## Wednesday, April 12

NO SCHOOL

ALLELUIA

3:15 PM - 4:15 PM Practice

## Thursday, April 13

NO SCHOOL

5:00 PM - 7:30 PM - Practice

## Friday, April 14 UTOPIA RENTAL

NO SCHOOL

3:15 PM - 7:30 PM Practice

## Saturday, April 15 UTOPIA RENTAL

Rosary before Mass

## Sunday, April 16 UTOPIA RENTAL

Rosary before both Masses

#### **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 on the website or by calling the rectory. If you move out of the area, please notify the rectory.

#### **BAPTISMS**

Sunday: 12:30PM 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.

#### **FAITH DIRECT**

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

## EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD APRIL 9, 2023

#### FROM THE CORNER OFFICE

"Christ is risen." "He is risen, <u>indeed</u>. Alleluia!" This very ancient greeting needs to be proclaimed this week and through the **Easter Season**! For whatever reason – the image of **Christ** laughing, with his head tilted back and a broad open mouth, also come into my head. With all of these readings from the **Vigil Mass** and the **Sunday Morning Mass**, the whole of our creation, purpose, and future (<u>salvation</u>) have all been proclaimed. But take time as you're re-reading and praying over all of these passages and look for the simple details that "<u>personalize</u>" the reading <u>for you</u>, yourself. For example, did you notice **St. John** mentioning <u>three times</u> that he outran the older **St. Peter** on their way to the tomb? Think about it, **St. John** covered this simple detail – three times! Let's look at these readings and the whole season with a laugh and notice of the simple details that are in it <u>for all of us!</u> "Christ is risen." "He is risen, <u>indeed</u>. Alleluia!"

## Fr. Mike

#### From the Pastor's Desk:

**HAPPY EASTER** to all of you, your families, *and* friends! It is nice to welcome all of our family and friends joining us for this joyful feast! The grand "*Thank YOU*" goes out to all of those who helped pull together this **Lenten Season**, this **Holy Week**, and **Triduum** - - and all of you! Our family and friends. We take time to smile, and pray for those who were with us last Easter, but are now celebrating with the *Risen Lord Jesus*! We are a family of faith, supporting *each other*, as the *St. Thomas More Parish*.

## May we all share the Easter Joy of the Risen Lord Jesus!



#### TRAVELING MADONNA

This week the statue is at the home of **Chris Koch.** 

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.

The statue can be picked up from the Music Office in the church after Mass on Saturday or Sunday, but must be returned by the following Saturday to the Music Office by 4pm.

#### **SAINT QUOTE**

"If anyone in word and mind does not properly and truly confess according to the holy Fathers all even to the last portion that which has been handed down and preached in the holy, Catholic, and apostolic Church of God...let him be anathema."

> Pope St. Martin I (590-655), Patron of racial harmony, Feast Day: April 13th

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

#### **VOCATION CORNER**

For those in the Capuchin Formation Program at Borromeo Seminary. To learn more visit

borromeoseminary.org/students/capuchin-formation/. Please keep all those discerning a vocation in your prayers. To let them know that they are in your thoughts and prayers, send a card to 28700 Euclid Avenue, Wickliffe, Ohio 44092.

#### **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.

#### THANKFUL CORNER

We send a big THANK YOU to our Arts & Environment Ministry. Our church looks so beautiful this Easter due to their hard work and commitment to our parish. God bless you all! Also, thanks to our Parish Pastoral Council and all of the volunteers who helped with the "Egg-Strats-Ganza."

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Melissa Ali, Theodore Antrum, Baby Eli, Mark Banasik, Terri Baranich, Carol Bauchens, Albert Becerra, Robert Bishop, Robert Bonus, Jr., Barbara Bridle, Avianna Burgos, Eric Butler, Janet Call, Jeremy Cheetham, Rosemary Cimino, Noelle, Brian & Dylan Clark, Rick D'Ambrosio, Elizabeth DeLeon, Christine DeMarco, Darrin Demetro, Jr., Diana & Greg Downes, Sharon Erich, Tom Erich, Patricia Foerster, Norma Gademer, Judy Gallagher, Ruth Giaco, Alex Gordon, Sr. Carole Anne Griswold, HM, Sara Hardy, John Hearn, Bobby Hengoed, Margaret Ann Jablonski, Steven Jablonski, Doris Kaczmarek, Denice Karpac, Francine Kawentel, Jesse Kazimer, Melissa Korhely, Jessica Kuhar, Raymond Kuhar, Charles & Helen Kuhel, Martha & George Kysil, Eileen Lombardo, Babs Lowe, Madonna, Scott & Family, Frank & Lucy Magyar, Jane McClure, Katie McNally, Sandy Meade, Vinny Mercurio, Dan Misch, John Misch, Kathy Mitchell, Rafaela Morales, Josalynn Murray, Joan O'Neil, Kaitlyn Oatridge, Jean Palumbo, Jim Palumbo, Jodi Palumbo, Pam Palumbo, Pat Palumbo, Peggy Palumbo, Augustus Petersen, JoAnn Pietrasz, Nancy Prosser, Monica Puleo, Elizabeth Ray, Vinny Rini, Paula Ritter, Marty Rose, Marlene Sadowski, Mike Sekerak, Brigitte Seuffert, Mary Shema, Alexis Simecek, Renate Sliwka, Elaine Smet, Mary Sparks, Special Intention, Jennifer Stancato, Jane Szoke, Pam Tapocsi, Anthony Tedesco, Lillian Tuma, Joy Turner, Julianna Turner, Sam Urban, Wayne, Leroy Werley, Patricia Werley, Nancy Williams, Betty Wozniak and Marian Zawadzki.

Please call the rectory by noon on Monday to add a name to the list.

#### **IN REMEMBRANCE**

Please remember Vale Brazis, Clarice Ruprecht, Eleanore Spisak, Ed Kaczuk, Christine Kadylak, Jack Murphy and Rev. William R. Krizner in your prayers. God grant them eternal rest.

#### **INFORMATION UPDATES**

Please call the rectory with any changes to your information (phone number or email) so we can keep everyone's information current.

#### **ROSARY**

Members of the Parish Pastoral Council will lead us in the rosary one half hour before all Masses next weekend (April 15 & 16). Please come early and join us!

#### **WELCOME!**

Please welcome all of our Catholics who have completed their initiation into our Church this Easter. May God bless them and keep them always in His care: Rebecca Cesa, Jayden Cardenas, Darrell Doughty, Michelle Kiscoe, Anntoinette Louden, Jack McKenzie and Harold Redloske, Jr.

#### **HOLIDAY RECTORY HOURS**

The rectory will be closed on Monday, April 10th.

#### **SHARING YOUR TALENTS**

We are still looking for parishioners who are willing to share their talents with the parish:

Technology ~ Social Media: If this is your "key to happiness", please call the rectory or you can talk to Jeff Stutzman or Fr. Mike.

Greeters ~ If you love meeting new people, then this is the ministry for you! Please call the rectory to sign-up.

#### **WOMEN'S GUILD MONTHLY MEETING**

We will have a regular meeting on Tuesday, April 11th at 11:30am in Utopia Hall. Our guest speaker Laurie Ashyk, is from the Cultural Gardens. A "lite" lunch will be served. A \$5 unwrapped door prize is welcome. Please join us!

#### **WOMEN'S GUILD SPRING MUSIC BINGO**

Join us on Saturday, April 29th for our Spring Music Bingo in the gym. Tickets are \$15 and are available at the rectory. Doors open at 11am with lunch being served at noon. Menu: chicken ~ potato salad ~ croissant ~ fruit ~ chips ~ dessert. Door prizes and raffle baskets! This event is open to women and men!

#### **CRS RICE BOWL**

**HAPPY EASTER!** Our CRS Rice Bowl journey has ended, but our prayers, fasting and almsgiving continue as we seek a closer relationship with God and our global family. Let us hold in our hearts our sisters and brothers in Guatemala, Bangladesh and Rwanda and commit to share our Easter joy with those in our local community and around the world. Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl or donate online at **crsricebowl.org/give.** 

If you have not turned in your rice bowl or did not pick one up and would like to donate, you may write a check made out to St. Thomas More with CRS Rice Bowl in the memo line. Thank you for your generosity!

#### **DONATIONS**

Thank you for your generous donations to our Easter flower collection. You may also donate to offset the cost of the Lenten and Advent books. Checks may be written to the parish with "Books" in the memo line. We hope these books aid in your spiritual journey growing closer to God.

## EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD APRIL 9, 2023

#### ST. THOMAS MORE SCHOOL

Our first grade at St. Thomas More can't believe we are already in the fourth quarter! We are learning to compare different points of view in stories, blend new sound together to create words, and how to identify a verb and pronoun in a sentence. We have also become experts on creating and reading our own graphs in math.

During our science activities we love to move around the room and even get outside. We are learning all about the sun and how it provides us with different types of energy.

Ms. Hartman 1st Grade

#### ST. THOMAS MORE PTU - NIGHT AT THE RACES

Join us for A Night at the Races on Saturday, April 22nd in the gym. Doors open at 6pm. Tickets are \$30/person. Order forms can be found at the church entrances, the rectory or online at stmparish.net/NATR. Any questions, please call Kristine Redloske at 216-543-0289 or email at ptu@stmschool.com.

#### **CATHOLIC RENEWAL MINISTRIES**

Catholic Renewal Ministries and Our Lady of Angels Prayer Group will host a Life in the Spirit Seminar at Our Lady of Angels Parish on April 21st & 22nd (7pm - 9:30pm Friday and 9am - 4pm Saturday). PayPal registration available at www.crmweb.org or register by mail: check to CRM c/0 Tom Jansen, 20685 Lunn Rd., Strongsville, 44149. The fee: \$25 includes lunch, please choose one: Honey Baked Ham, Turkey, or Roasted Tomato. Register by April 19th.



#### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

On Sunday, June 25th, the parish will have a celebration of our patron saint, St. Thomas More. The day will be filled with food, entertainment and family activities.

Please stop in the main vestibule to pick up your tickets. You are encouraged to help support this event by selling your provided tickets. Tickets for our \$10,000 raffle are \$5.00 each (8 tickets to a sheet). Tickets can be dropped into the collection basket or dropped off at the rectory where additional tickets are also available. There will be early bird drawings for \$100.00 each Sunday in May, so get your tickets in early for your chance to win!

#### **HAPPY EASTER!**

May this beautiful day be a testament to God's love and glory!

We are all so blessed to be part of this parish community as we gather together to praise God who gave us new life in the death and resurrection of his Son.

As we teach our children to know and love God, this past Holy Week was an important part of learning how much He loves us.

On Holy Thursday's Mass of the Last Supper many of our students participated in carrying a candle in a procession that evening. Also as part of the Mass, was washing of the feet which included some of our parish children. What a wonderful experience for all of them to be part of how Jesus showed us how to love and serve others.

It was good to see the children be part of the commemoration of the Last Supper of Jesus Christ, when he gave us his body and blood in Holy Communion prior to his arrest and crucifixion.

This all brings us to this day – THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS!

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the <u>resurrection</u> of Jesus Christ from the dead" ~ <u>1 Peter 1:3</u>

Terri Sozio Religious Education

#### **THEOLOGY ON THE ROCKS WEST**

For Adults 40 & Over - Join us Monday, Apr. 10 at Copper Cup (Ironwood Café) at 688 Dover Center in Westlake. Fr. Joe Menkhaus will present, The Language of Angels: Music & Prayer.

Did you know, Fr. Joe, along with family, wrote the Communion hymn, "Lord I Am Not Worthy"

Cost is \$15.00 per person which includes light appetizers & refreshments. Cash Bar is also available. Advance ticket purchase is recommended. Register in advance at: www.theologyontherocks.wixsite.com/west. Doors open at 6:30pm. Program begins at 7pm.

#### **JESUIT RETREAT CENTER**

Please visit https://www.jesuitretreatcenter.org for more details on April programs and retreats. The Jesuit Retreat Center is located at 5629 State Road, Parma, 44134.

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#### **EASTER PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Good and gracious heavenly Father, we come before you on this Easter Sunday with full and grateful hearts for the gift of the Paschal Mystery that you showed us in the life, death, and resurrection of your Son, our brother by adoption, Jesus Christ.

Bless us and all those who profess belief in your saving

Bless also those who have yet to profess belief in you. You are God for all. We ask all this in Christ's name. Amen. ©LPi

#### **OUR SAVIOR ROSE**

Sun and fun for everyone is what many think of Spring, but to Catholic people everywhere, Spring's a truly greater thing. We honor Lent, because God sent His Son from up on high, He came to show us how to live and on the cross, to die. But the Christian story won't end here, as every Christian knows, we can always hope and should never fear, because our Savior rose. It's not enough God showed His love by giving up His son, it took our Savior to rise above, to let Christians know we've won. So although your problems may never cease, and pain and heartache grows, you can always claim Christ's inner peace, because your Savior rose.

Joe Carnivale



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EVERY THURSDAY 6:45 PM: SHOW UP 7:00PM: DISCUSS

**EVERY FRIDAY** 7:00PM: HOLY HOUR & CONFESSION 8:00PM: SOCIALIZE 8:00PM: COFFEE HOUSE (AGE 18-30's) (ALL AGES WELCOME)

OPEN TO ALL YOUNG ADULTS (AGES 18-30'S)

#### MEET BY MCBRIDE HALL

MEETS OUTSIDE WEATHER PERMITTING - BRING A LAWNCHAIR MEETS INSIDE IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER

Unified by our faith, we seek to live in the truth, searching out meaning, purpose, and identity through conversation, prayer, service, and friendship. We meet not just for ourselves, but to become branches of hope in the secular world.

We warmly invite you to join us.

Instagram: @grapevine.cle

Facebook: Grapevine Young Adult Ministry





#### **WEEKLY CONTENT**

#### **First Reading:**

This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. (Acts 10:40-41)

#### Psalm:

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. (Ps 118) Or Alleluia.

#### **Second Reading:**

If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. (Col 3:1)

#### Gospel:

For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead. (Jn 20: 9)

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## **READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 9, 2023**

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)/ Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22/Jn 20:11-

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:13-35 Thursday: Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 24:35-48 Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a/ Friday:

Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21/Mk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/ 1Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

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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.