

# 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 - TBD

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

## Confessions

Saturday - 3:30pm until 4:15pm

## Rectory Hours

Monday - Friday - 9am-3pm

(The rectory is closed for lunch from 1-1:30pm)

## Parish Staff

Rev. John J. Schneider  
*Pastor*

Rev. Donald E. Snyder  
*Retired, In Residence*

Sr. Jane Reisinger, SND  
*Pastoral Associate*

Liz Schneider  
*Business Manager*

Lisa Carson  
*Office Manager*

John Mastandrea  
*Development*

Terri Sozio  
*Religious Education*



**St. Thomas More School**  
**PreSchool thru 8th Grade**

Meg Cosgriff - Principal  
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## Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



**SATURDAY, JULY 26 –  
VIGIL**

\*4:30 PM - Tom McKay

**SUNDAY, JULY 27 –**

**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY  
TIME**

9:00 AM - Rev. James J. Vesely

11:00 AM - People of the Parish

**MONDAY, JULY 28 –  
WEEKDAY**

8:15 AM - Phyllis Barta

**TUESDAY, JULY 29 –**

**SS. MARTHA, MARY & LAZARUS**

6:45 PM - John Skubie

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 30 –**

**ST. PETER CHRUSOLOGUS**

8:15 AM - Bill & Ann Johnson

**THURSDAY, JULY 31 –**

**ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 1 –**

**ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI**

8:15 AM - Patricia Gorisek

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 2 –**

**SS. EUSEBIUS & PETER JULIAN EYMARD**

8:15 AM - Ethelle Mirande

\*4:30 PM - Rosaline Heatley

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 3 –**

**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY  
TIME**

9:00 AM - People of the Parish

\*11:00 AM - Mary Woodall

\*Mass of Remembrance

## Financial Blessings

Collection for July 20th ..... \$3,033.00  
Maintenance ..... \$961.00  
Student's Weekly Offering (4 Envelopes) ..... \$33.00

Faith Direct as of 7/15 ..... \$1,630.00  
Faith Direct Maintenance ..... \$387.00

Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

### FAITH DIRECT

Enroll online at [faith.direct/OH684](http://faith.direct/OH684). Have questions?  
Please email [info@faithdirect.net](mailto:info@faithdirect.net) or call toll free 1-866-507-8757.

## THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

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**Thursday, July 31**

1:00 PM 60+ Club - Utopia Hall

**Saturday, August 2**

Utopia Rental

Rosary before Mass

**Saturday, August 3**

Rosary before Masses



### CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations and welcome

Daniel Evan Pallotta and Jaxson Timoteo Graham  
who were baptized on July 20th. God bless you!

### 60+ CLUB

Please join us on Thursday, July 31st at 1pm in Utopia Hall for our next gathering. Men and women 60 years old and over are welcome. No fees or dues to join. Hope to see you then!



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### GRANDPARENTS DAY BLESSING

God of our ancestors, we thank you for our children and our children's children. They are reminders from you about how precious life can be. We humbly ask for wisdom and patience as we take pride and wonder in our grandchildren. Those of us who now pray to you also seek your blessing upon these men and women who are our grandparents or who act in place of grandparents. Bless all the children and their parents and grandparents with your abundant grace. We ask all this through the intercession of Saints Joachim and Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary, patron saints of grandparents, in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen. ©LPI



II - Emily Kokal (St. Thomas More) & Joseph Safran



## FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

The Lord be with you! We are going to depart from the grand scope of history to look at the lives of two men: Pope Leo I and Attila the Hun. Leo would save Rome from Attila in 452 AD almost miraculously.

Born around AD 391 in Tuscany, Leo first served the Church as a deacon and became famous for his intelligence. Around AD 440, Pope Sixtus III sent Leo to France to settle a dispute between a Roman general and magistrate. While serving there, Pope Sixtus died, and Leo was elected Pope.

In his first few years as Pope, Leo worked against several different heresies spreading in Rome and Italy. He condemned both the followers of Pelagius, who claimed that grace was not needed for salvation, and the Manichaeans. Read enough theology and you will run into facsimiles of their beliefs. To wit the Manichaeans claim that the only way to become free from the evils of this world is through spiritual ascension that involves esoteric knowledge. In other words, you needed to learn the passwords to get into heaven!

Pope Leo also helped the Council of Chalcedon, which resolved a dispute about Christ's human nature. Leo had written a letter later to be called his Tome that stated the Catholic belief that in a single person, Jesus Christ, has two natures, human and divine, that neither commingle nor are confused. Pope Leo rightly articulated that the natures are distinct but the person is one in Jesus. As mentioned last week, the barbarian tribes were not strangers to the Roman Empire. The Huns had established an empire in Central Europe containing a number of other tribes around AD 400. The Huns were fierce warriors who fought on horseback with javelins and bows. Attila ruled the Huns AD 434-453. The Eastern Roman Empire had been paying Attila to not attack them. That treaty broke down as the Empire did. Around AD 442 Attila started invading and looting the Balkans. He eventually went all the way to Constantinople, but he could not take the city. He made several attempts but failed.

Attila had a much better relationship with the Western Empire until court intrigue got him on the wrong side of a succession dispute. The Romans allied with the Franks and first defeated Attila at the Battle of Catalaunian Plains in AD 451. Attila returned to Italy the next year claiming the nation and the hand of Honoria, the sister to the Emperor. Somehow Pope Leo was able to convince Attila to leave and abandon his campaign. Supposedly Attila saw the vision of a giant dressed as a priest during the negotiations and left. He would die the next year.

Pope Leo was not so lucky with the Vandals in AD 455, but did spare the city from being burnt. Pope Leo would gain his heavenly reward in 461. By the time of his death, the Western Empire had fallen into petty kingdoms, but the East still held.

In His Sacred Heart,  
*Fr. John*

## SAINT QUOTE

*"For they speak of Christ, not that they may preach Christ, but that they may reject Christ; and they speak of the law, not that they may establish the law, but that they may proclaim things contrary to it."*

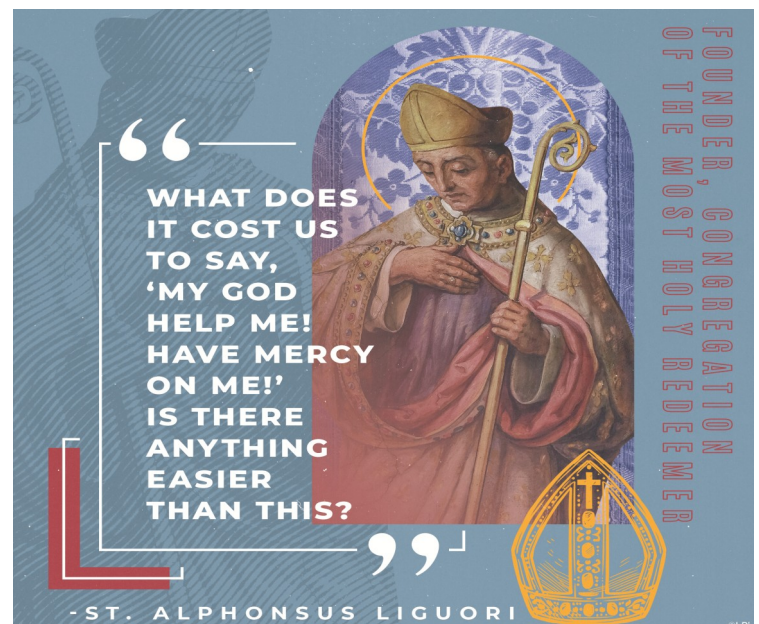
St. Ignatius (1491-1556),  
Jesuit, Patron of Soldiers, Educators,  
Feast Day: July 31

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## TRAVELING MADONNA

This week the statue is at the home of:  
**Barb Bonus & Family.**

Please continue to pray for our host families as they share their home with our Traveling Madonna. Remember, if you take any pictures, send them into the rectory. **Please call the rectory to sign-up to host the Traveling Madonna in 2025.**

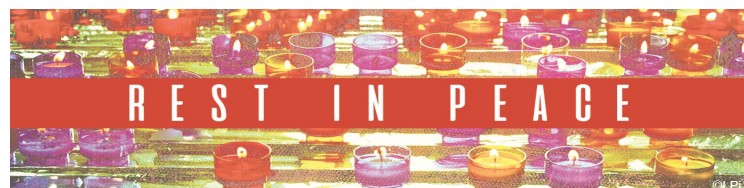




### PRAYER REQUESTS

Baby Elijah, Baby Kevin, Albert Becerra, Barbara Behlke, Robert Bonus, Jr., Avianna Burgos, Nancy Butler, Michael C., John Callahan, Tracey Carlisle & Toni, Harper Lee & Leslee Godwin Crum, Lori Curry, Lisa Cwalinski, Barb Davis, Rosie DeJesus, Diana & Greg Downes, Sharon Erich, Tom Erich, Dave Finohr, Patricia Foerster, Norma Gademer, Ken Galaida, Judy Gallagher, Monica Gribb, Joanne Hallick, Sara Hardy, Ruth Hargis, Mary Beth Hayet, Bobby Hengood, Eddie Hengood, Jr., Ed & Dianne Hlavacek, Michel Howe, Barbara Hughes, Margaret Ann Jablonski, Francine Kawentel, Jesse Kazimer, Freddy Kinsey, Betty Konopka, Melissa Korhely, Janice Kuchar, Richard Lewis, Lucy Magyar, Luigi Mangione, Jane McClure, Rev. Joseph McNulty, Vinny Mercurio, Gail Michal, Dan Misch & Christine DeMarco, Rafaela Morales, Shirley Mulmall, Josalynn Murray, Bridget Nnabugwu, Jack Palumbo, Jean Palumbo, Jim Palumbo, Jodi Palumbo, Pat Palumbo, Peggy Palumbo, Betty (Gruntkowski) Popow, Ronald Patten, Vinny Rini, Paula Ritter, Janet Sekerak, Mike Sekerak, Elaine Smet, Bill Smith, Margie & Don Spitz & family, Jennifer Stancato, Sean Szill, Joy Turner, Julianna Turner, Tom Wenderoth, Leroy & Patricia Werley, Norma Westrick, Kathy Yomack & family, Evie Zalar, Marian Zawadzki & Phyllis Zindroski.

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



### IN REMEMBRANCE

Please remember in your prayers  
Walter Augustine and Sandra Burns.  
God grant them eternal rest.

### TEACHING OUR CHILDREN

We are looking for parish school of religion teachers. Our classes are on Tuesday evenings from 6:30pm to 7:45pm. There is a curriculum book that we use as well prepared resources. Please think about being part of our program and sharing your faith with our students to know and love God and our Catholic faith.

If you are interested please email me at [psr@stmparish.net](mailto:psr@stmparish.net).

Thank you and God bless,  
Terri Sozio, Director of Religious Education

### FAITH FORMATION

**PSR REGISTRATION** - Registration forms for the 2025-2026 school year are available on our website. Please contact Terri Sozio at [psr@stmparish.net](mailto:psr@stmparish.net) with any questions.

### CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION 2026

**Confirmation** - If your child will be in the 8th grade for the 2025-2026 school year and are NOT in PSR or the day school, please email [psr@stmparish.net](mailto: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](mailto:psr@stmparish.net).

### WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

#### August 2/3

MASS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	LECTORS	SERVERS	CELEBRANT
4:30 PM	Nina Ferguson Mary Lou LoBue Jill Parks Sheryl Finohr	Peggy Palumbo Wendy Huynh	Noah Nguyen Ainsley French	Friar Stephen DeWitt
9:00 AM	Heather Roberts Nathan Noga Dolores Hules Jennifer Mladineo	Jaclene Zauszniewski Jessica Noga	Noah Redloske Parker Redloske	Friar Bill McIntyre
11:00 AM	Heather Miksch Madelyn Koranda Sue Poole Carl Krist	Mike Sommers Barbara Kish	Danny Coughlin Chase Gerlach	Friar Bill McIntyre



## 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.

## 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 by calling the rectory or fill out the new parishioner registration form on our website. If you move out of the parish, please notify the rectory.

## BAPTISMS

**Fourth Sunday of the Month.** Time: TBD. 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

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.

## WEEKLY CONTENT GUIDE

Far be it from you to do such a thing, to make the innocent die with the guilty so that the innocent and the guilty would be treated alike! Should not the judge of all the world act with justice?" (Gn 18:25)

### **Psalm:**

Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me. (Ps 138)

### **Second Reading:**

You were buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God. (Col 2:12)

### **Gospel:**

"And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." (Lk 11:9)

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 27, 2025

Sunday: Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 (3a)/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13  
Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23/Mt 13:31-35  
Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28/Ps 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42  
Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35/Ps 99:5,6,7,9/Mt 13:44-46  
Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11/Mt 13:47-53  
Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Ps 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab/Mt 13:54-58  
Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Mt 14:1-12  
Next Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 (1)/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21©LPi

# THE FEST

## Sunday, August 3, 2025



**The FEST 25 YEARS**  
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## Faith, Family & Fun

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**Kid-friendly fun!**  
**Marc's Moms Station & Man Cave**  
**Great Food & Giveaways**  
**Adoration, Prayer & Confession**

End the day with a beautiful outdoor Mass at 8:00 pm with Bishop Malesic followed by a spectacular American Fireworks display.



**Get the full schedule and details at: [www.theFEST.us](http://www.theFEST.us)**



**SEPH SCHLUETER**

**12:30pm**



**BEN FULLER**

**2:00pm**



**DANNY GOKEY**

**4:00pm**



**MAVERICK CITY MUSIC**

**6:00pm**

THE FEST

**AUGUST 3, 2025**  
**WICKLIFFE, OHIO**  
CENTER for PASTORAL LEADERSHIP

St. Thomas More Parish Calendar  
August 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Utopia Rental Confessions 3:30-4:15pm Rosary before Mass
3 Rosary before Masses	4	5 Praying the Sunday Readings 9:30am	6	7	8 Utopia Rental	9 Confessions 3:30-4:15pm
10 	11	12 Praying the Sunday Readings 9:30am	13 12pm 60+ Club: Queen of the Holy Rosary Shrine @ Incarnate Word	14	15 NO ATHLETICS <b>THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b> (Holy Day of Obligation) Mass Times: Please check the bulletin & website 	16 Confessions 3:30-4:15pm
17	18	19 Praying the Sunday Readings 9:30am	20	21	22	23 Confessions 3:30-4:15pm
24 11am Back to School Mass & Backpack Blessing 12-1:30pm Open House & Drop-off Supplies 	25	26 Praying the Sunday Readings 9:30am Women's Guild Board Meeting 1pm St. Elias Food Pantry: 2pm Distribution: 3:30-5:30pm	27	28 60+ Club 1pm	29	30 Utopia Rental Confessions 3:30-4:15pm
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