



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

Lisa Carson
Office Manager

John Mastandrea
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St. Thomas More School PreSchool thru 8th Grade

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SATURDAY, MAY 31 – VIGIL
4:30 PM - People of the Parish
SUNDAY, JUNE 1 – THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD
*9:00 AM - Sean Whitlock
*11:00 AM - Diana Vargo
MONDAY, JUNE 2 – SS. MARCELLINUS & PETER
8:15 AM - Memorial Garden
TUESDAY, JUNE 3 – ST. CHARLES LWANGA & COMPANIONS
6:45 PM - Dorothy Castrigano
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4 – EASTER WEEKDAY
8:15 AM - Jane New (Living)
THURSDAY, JUNE 5 – ST. BONIFACE
FRIDAY, JUNE 6 – ST. NORBERT
8:15 AM - Mark & Irene Downes
SATURDAY, JUNE 7 – EASTER WEEKDAY
8:15 AM - Werley Family
*4:30 PM - Domenica Basich
SUNDAY, JUNE 8 – PENTECOST SUNDAY
9:00 AM - People of the Parish
*11:00 AM - William Duta
*Mass of Remembrance

Financial Blessings

Collection for May 25th \$3,664.65
Maintenance \$700.00
Student's Weekly Offering (4 Envelopes) \$30.00
Faith Direct as of 5/15 \$1,290.00
Faith Direct Maintenance \$357.00

Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.



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

THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

Tuesday, June 3
9:30 AM Praying the Sunday Readings - Rectory
Friday, June 6
Utopia Rental
Saturday, June 7
Utopia Rental
Rosary before Mass
Sunday, June 8
Rosary before Masses

Parish Festival

2025 ST. THOMAS MORE FESTIVAL

On Sunday, June 22nd, the parish will have a celebration of our patron saint, St. Thomas More. The day will be filled with food, entertainment and family activities.

Tickets are available at all church entrances and at the rectory. Tickets for our \$10,000 raffle are \$5.00 each (8 tickets to a sheet). Tickets can be dropped into the collection basket or at the rectory.

Congratulations to Debbie Wesley who won the fourth week's drawing for \$100.

FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERS & DONATIONS

If you are interested in helping at this year's festival, please call the rectory. Our biggest need for volunteers is for the set up on Saturday, June 21st and the clean up after the festival.

Donations - Thank you for all of the donations that have been coming in. We are now collecting Gift Cards!

FESTIVAL AD BOOK

Unfortunately, we will not be putting together an Ad Book for this year's festival. Thank you to those who reached out with interest in placing ads. We will definitely get this into next year's festival!

ROSARY

Members of the parish will lead us in the rosary 1/2 hour before all Masses on June 7th & 8th. Please join us!

GARDENS

If you are interested in volunteering to help take care of one of the gardening areas around the campus, please call the rectory.

FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

The Lord be with you! About four weeks ago we went over how to understand the literal sense of Sacred Scripture. When we understand the Bible's literal sense, we can then explore its many spiritual senses: allegorical, moral, and anagogical. Having a good scripture commentary becomes essential here as we will inevitably run into phrases and references that we are not familiar with.

Where should we begin reading the Bible? Many saints had the pious - but perhaps overly simplistic - approach of opening the Bible randomly. After all, if it is the Word of God, why worry? For the purpose of inspiration and encouragement, this method works really well. Nevertheless, many of us will want to read in a more structured manner. Accordingly, here are some reading plans:

The Abbreviated Old Testament
Wisdom Literature
Just Jesus
The New Before the Old
Books to Read with Friends

The Abbreviated Old Testament

If you want to read as much of the Bible and not get bored, this approach works really well. We start with Genesis and Exodus and read them one or two chapters at a time. Skip Leviticus entirely and proceed to the tenth chapter of Numbers. This chunk is where a lot of people give up because it is centered on the ceremonial laws of the Old Testament. After Numbers you can read some or all of Deuteronomy, but only its ending is essential for setting the stage for Joshua.

The next books, from Joshua to Nehemiah, are great to read in sequence as long as one remembers that the book of Chronicles supplements the books of Samuel and Kings. Ruth can be skipped, but the heart of the sacred history here is the rise and fall of Israel as a kingdom, which Samuel and Kings lays out. Then read Isaiah and Jeremiah since you will have the overarching context for these great prophets. Congratulations: you now have a wild sense of the major events of the Old Testament.

Wisdom Literature: Pick One, or Read Them All

The Wisdom Literature (Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Songs, Wisdom, and Sirach) can be read individually or all together. These works are self contained - especially Job - and do not even need a detailed understanding of their historical context. With the exception of the Song of Songs, all of these works can be meditated upon with great profit at any time.

Just Jesus

You don't actually have to read the Old Testament to read the New. In fact, you can just read the Gospels and understand Christ fairly well. A common practice for priests and religious in formation is to take a weekend and read a single Gospel.

In our next article we will go over the final two plans and some recommendations for scripture commentaries. The more we pray with Scripture, the more we can understand ourselves in Christ's Light. May we all learn to live by the Word of God in thought, word, and deed!

In His Sacred Heart,
Fr. John

WOMEN'S GUILD

The St. Thomas More Women's Guild will hold its 2025/2026 officer installation luncheon on Tuesday, June 10th at 11:30am in Utopia Hall. Reservations are necessary. Luncheon will be served, no charge to members. Please call the rectory for reservations. All are welcome!

FATHER'S DAY CARDS

The Women's Guild will be selling Father's Day cards before and after all Masses this weekend and next weekend. They will also be available in the rectory. The price of the cards are \$3 for living fathers and \$1 for deceased fathers. All fathers registered will be remembered at five Masses throughout the year.

SAINT QUOTE

"Let us stand fast in what is right and prepare our souls for trial. Let us wait upon God's strengthening aid and say to him: O Lord, you have been our refuge in all generations."

St. Boniface of Mainz (675-754),
Bishop, Martyr, Feast Day: June 5
(Bulletin Quote provided by AZ Quotes; www.azquotes.com)

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, if you take any pictures, send them into the rectory.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Baby Elijah, JoAnn Bartkiw, Albert Becerra, Barbara Behlke, Michael Bogucki, Robert Bonus, Jr., Dennis Bunday, Avianna Burgos, Nancy Butler, Michael C., John Callahan, Tracey Carlisle & Toni, Lisa Cwalinski, Carole Deighton, Rosie DeJesus, Christine DeMarco, Diana & Greg Downes, Sharon Erich, Tom Erich, Dave Finohr, Patricia Foerster, Edward Frantz, Norma Gademer, Ken Galaida, Judy Gallagher, Kevin T. Gallagher, Monica Gribb, Joanne Hallick, Sara Hardy, Ruth Hargis, Mary Beth Hayet, John Hearn, Bobby Hengood, Eddie Hengood, Jr., Ed & Dianne Hlavacek, Michel Howe, Michael Jackiewicz, Bryan Jaworski, Francine Kawentel, Jesse Kazimer, Freddy Kinsey, Betty Konopka, Melissa Korhely, Al Lada, Laura & Ashley, Joe Lawrence, Joyce Lewarchick, Richard Lewis, Lucy Magyar, Luigi Mangione, Dale Mathews & family, Jane McClure, Rev. Joseph McNulty, Dreama Mecklenburg, Sandra Mellon, Richard Mendez, Vinny Mercurio, Gail Michal, Dan Misch, Rafaela Morales, Shirley Mulmall, Josalynn Murray, Maryann Nicholas, Lyndsey P., Jack Palumbo, Jean Palumbo, Jim Palumbo, Jodi Palumbo, Pat Palumbo, Peggy Palumbo, Kenny Parks, Tino Perez, Betty (Gruntkowski) Popow, Dawn Patel, Ronald Patten, Marsha Pietrasz, Vinny Rini, Paula Ritter, Lizzette Mendez Romain, Janet Sekerak, Mike Sekerak, Susan Sidley, Elaine Smet, Bill Smith, Mary Sparks, Special Intention, Michael Spring, Margie & Don Spritz & family, Jennifer Stancato, Gerri Strodtbeck, Sean Szill, Joy Turner, Julianna Turner, Joanne Uhl, Sam Urban, Tom Wenderoth, Leroy & Patricia Werley, Norma Westrick, Jan Woytek, Kathy Yomack & family, Ron Young, 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 William Duta, Domenica Basich, Chris Emmanuel, Deacon Charles Pete Moore, Donna Boryk, and Marie Grace Scafaria.
God grant them eternal rest.

PRE-PLAN FUNERAL INFORMATION

If you are interested in planning your own funeral Mass, please contact the rectory and one of the members of the Ministry of Consolation will contact you to set up a convenient time to meet. 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.

50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Anyone married in 1975 is invited to the 50th Wedding Anniversary Jubilee Mass on Sunday, June 29th at 2pm at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. There is no registration for the event. To request a special certificate, visit dioceseofcleveland.org under Offices - Parish Life - Marriage & Family Ministry.

THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS

Each year, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for this intention this month:

That the world might grow in compassion - Let us pray that each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on the world.

2025 MARDI GRAS UPDATE

All of the expense receipts have been submitted and the final net profit is **\$7,420.74**. Thank you to all of those who worked so hard to make this event so successful!

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

June 7/8

MASS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	LECTORS	SERVERS	CELEBRANT
4:30 PM	*Marilyn Slimak Steve Cottos Denise Puening Terri Cottos	Sheryl Finohr Stephanie Liebert	Blake Liebert Ainsley French	
9:00 AM	*Jaclene Zauszniewski Nathan Noga Bonnie Kaznoch Jennifer Mladineo	Mary Lou LoBue Jessica Noga	Parker Redloske Noah Redloske	
11:00 AM	Marty Rini Heather Miksch Linda Rafferty Bernie Barker	Madelyn Koranda Mike Sommers	Danny Coughlin Chase Gerlach	

ST. THOMAS MORE SCHOOL
CONGRATULATIONS TO THE
ST. THOMAS MORE CLASS OF 2025
Good luck with all of your future endeavors!
We will miss you!

James Bekoscke - Holy Name High School
Reagan Burke - Brooklyn High School
Jackson Colón - St. Ignatius High School
Aaliyah Colvin - Holy Name High School
Christian Cordero - Holy Name High School
John Gerber, III - Holy Name High School
Xavier Johnson - St. Ignatius High School
Elijah López - Holy Name High School
Shelby Miller - Magnificat High School
Samuel Widdowson - St. Ignatius High School

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to all those that were confirmed on Saturday, May 24th at Mary Queen of Peace.
God Bless!

James "Anthony" Bekoscke
Reagan "Brigid" Burke
Jackson "Joseph" Colón
Shelby "Catherine" Miller
Samuel "Luke" Widdowson

EASTER COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous donations for Easter. Our total for Easter 2025 is \$15,004.00. God bless you!

EASTER FLOWERS

Thank you to all who donated towards the Easter flowers this year. This year's beautiful flowers were in loving memory of the following:

Alexsovich & Balbier Families
Officer William J. Fores
Richard Hovan
Rosemary Hules
Louis & Mary Kaduk
Dominic Konopka
Paul & Nancy LoBue
Theodore & Wanda Maslanka
Frank & Mary Pirozek
Ronald & Gregory Prusha
Michael Stewart
Tlacil & Poole Families
Veloski & Kist Families
Celeste K. Wells
Eugene M. & Dorothy Wiencek
Mike, Helen & Mary Ellen Yasko

ST. THOMAS MORE SCHOOL

4th Quarter Honors

2024-2025

First Honors

Sophia Adkins, Luna Basen, Reagan Burke, Nicolas Cajo Rubio, Arlo Celis, Jonathan Collins, Jackson Colon, Aaliyah Colvin, Bennett Crew, Xavier Johnson, Blake Liebert, Mason Mariotti, Lexi Nguyen, Noah Nguyen, Leo Nunney, Aubrey Rankin, Noah Redloske, Parker Redloske, Anayeli Rivera, Nayeli Rosa, Benjamin Schillo, Sofia Torres, Alaina Vandal, Leah Viera, and Gordon Wu

Second Honors

Faith Akateh, Dominic Azap, II, James Bekoscke, Emilio Cartagena, Hazel Celis, Jiahao Chen, Cruz Colon, Leyna Crew, Jose Gutierrez, Savannah Hodges, Nathaniel Infante, Bianka Kingery, Aaron Lin, Aerabella Ortiz, Erika Pedraza, Radames Rivera, Anthony Rodriguez, Sofia Rodriguez, Eric Shelton, Jordan Thomas, Ethan Tran, Mateo Velazquez, Benjamin Widdowson, and Samuel Widdowson,

Third Honors

Desmond Azap, Xavier Bahr, Emma Brown, Nathan Brown, Savannah Burrow, Gianna Cline, Dariel Colon, Daniel Coughlin, Isabella Diaz, Brian Eichenmiller, John Gerber, Mia Haught, Ayden Kosch, Ayden Lin, Elijah Lopez, McKenzie Martin, Colt Miller, Shelby Miller, Daniel Pallotta, Leonidas Penland, Adare Quinn, Annalisse Rodriguez, Isabella Rodriguez-Petkac, Rayahn Rosa, Bianca Sagredo, Caleb Salad, Angelina Sandate, Jacob Schillo, Wyatt Thomas, and Alexia Torres



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**ST. THOMAS MORE
SUMMER FESTIVAL**

**JUNE 22, 2025
12:30pm-7pm**

RAFFLE

1ST Prize: \$10,000*

2ND Prize: \$1,000*

3RD Prize: \$500

*Before Taxes

Drawing at 7pm Winner need not be present

Seller of First Prize - \$1,000*

\$5 DONATION/PER TICKET

Tickets available at the church, at the rectory
or online on our website (stmparish.net/festival)
(Ohio residents only)

**Food
Entertainment
Games
Raffle**

**Free Admission
to the church grounds**

**Bring the family &
friends for a great day
of fellowship, fun, and
great prizes!**

**All are welcome
to join us!!!**



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