

# 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*

Deacon Don Brandt

*Permanent Deacon*

Deacon Charles Zawadzki

*Retired Permanent Deacon*

Sr. Jane Reisinger, SND

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*Office Manager*

Melissa Wensing

*Business Manager*

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*Music Director*

Terri Sozio

*Religious Education*

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*Youth Minister*



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

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## THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

### SATURDAY, JUNE 24 -

#### VIGIL

4:30 PM - People of the Parish

### SUNDAY, JUNE 25 -

#### TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 AM - Past & Present Benefactors of STM

\*11:00 AM - Lisa Lisco

### MONDAY, JUNE 26 -

#### WEEKDAY

8:15 AM - Marks Family

### TUESDAY, JUNE 27 -

#### ST. CYRIL OF ALEXANDRIA

6:45 PM - Merle & Eleanore Buelow

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28 -

#### ST. IRENAEUS

8:15 AM - Bob Mundson

### THURSDAY, JUNE 29 -

#### SS. PETER & PAUL

### FRIDAY, JUNE 30 -

#### WEEKDAY

8:15 AM - Henry Durica

### SATURDAY, JULY 1 -

#### ST. JUNIPERO SERRA

8:15 AM - Carol M. Cushler

4:30 PM - People of the Parish

### SUNDAY, JULY 2 -

#### THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

\*9:00 AM - Gloria Palcisko

\*11:00 AM - Orlando Marzola

\*Mass of Remembrance

## Financial Blessings

Collection for June 4th ..... \$4,269.00

Maintenance ..... \$3,005.00

Student's Weekly Offering (15 Envelopes) ..... \$70.00

Collection for June 11th ..... \$4,264.00

Maintenance ..... \$2,119.00

Student's Weekly Offering (12 Envelopes) ..... \$497.00

Collection for June 18th ..... \$4,146.15

Faith Direct as of 6/4 ..... \$4,136.00

Maintenance ..... \$5,582.00

Faith Direct Maintenance ..... \$1,613.00

Student's Weekly Offering (9 Envelopes) ..... \$44.00

Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

### Tuesday, June 27

2:00 PM St. Elias Food Pantry

### Thursday, June 29

1:00 PM 60+ Club - Utopia Hall

Saturday, July 1 \*Second Collection - Peter's Pence\*

Rosary before Mass

Sunday, July 2 \*Second Collection - Peter's Pence\*

Rosary before 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 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.

### FAITH DIRECT

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

### 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.

# TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JUNE 25, 2023

## FROM THE CORNER OFFICE

This week is the *Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time* and one that offers us a “*unique opportunity*” in our reflection of the scriptures. We can actually work the message (*or* lesson...) backwards from the **Gospel** passage to the **First Reading**.

[*Here we go...*] This week **Jesus** tells us, first in the holy *Gospel of St. Matthew*, that **Jesus** said to the **Twelve**, “*Fear no one...*” Jesus tells us that we should not be fearful in things of this world. **St. Paul** tells the **Romans** of the *overflow of the gracious gift for many*. We are realizing the *great love* of **God** in the **Responsorial Psalm**. Then finally in the **First Reading** the prophet **Jeremiah** tells us all *how the Lord saves us all!*

*Fr. Mike*

### From the Pastor's Desk:

**WOW!** It is all coming together and the months of planning by the Parish Pastoral Council and the “*Festival Warriors*” is here this weekend. We have to continue to thank the volunteers, the St. Lawrence Grilling Ministry, those traveling from afar, the booth volunteers and lemonade pressers, set-up and clean-up crews, and everyone else who helped in the Summer Festival 2023!

### 60+ CLUB

Are you interested in some fun and fellowship? Come join us as we start a 60+ Club for those 60 years of age and older. We need your input to plan activities and socials. Please join us for an informational meeting on Thursday, June 29th at 1pm in Utopia Hall. We hope to see you then!

### ST. ELIAS

St. Elias will hold their Mobile Food Pantry on Tuesday, June 27th, from 3:30-5:30pm. If you are able to help, please arrive by 2pm to get the food packed.

### TRAVELING MADONNA

This week the statue is at the home of  
**Paul & Mary Lou LoBue.**

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.



### July 2/3

MASS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	LECTORS	SERVERS
4:30 PM	Steve Cottos Terri Cottos Mary Lou LoBue	Peggy Palumbo Tim Lozar	Blake Liebert Noah Nguyen
9:00 AM	Jaclene Zauszniewski Jessica Brown Nathan Noga Jaime Declet	Carole Flanagan Jennifer Mladineo	Thomas Parkison
11:00 AM	Marty Rini Heather Miksch Joanne Uhl Sue Poole	Mike Sommers	Brendon Kiscoe Rylee Kingery Nathaniel Infante



## Prayer REQUESTS

Melissa Ali, Theodore Antrum, Baby Eli, Mark Banasik, Terri Baranich, Carol Bauchens, Albert Becerra, Robert Bishop, Lisa Bodnar, Robert Bonus, Jr., Barbara Bridle, Avianna Burgos, Eric Butler, Janet Call, Jeremy Cheetham, Rosemary Cimino, Noelle, Brian & Dylan Clark, David Cox, Rick D'Ambrosio, Elizabeth DeLeon, Christine DeMarco, Diana & Greg Downes, Sharon Erich, Tom Erich, Patricia Foerster, Norma Gademer, Judy Gallagher, Ruth Giaco, Sr. Carole Anne Griswold, HM, Sara Hardy, John Hearn, Bobby Hengood, Laura Hengood, Donna & Doris Kaczmarek, Denice Karpac, Francine Kawentel, Jesse Kazimer, Melissa Korhely, Jessica Kuhar, Raymond Kuhar, Charles & Helen Kuhel, Martha & George Kysil, Al Lada, Eileen Lombardo, Babs Lowe, Shirley M., Madonna, Scott & Family, Frank & Lucy Magyar, Jane McClure, Katie McNally, Sandy Meade, Dreama Mecklenburg, Vinny Mercurio, Dan Misch, John Misch, Kathy Mitchell, Marlene Mohnickey, Lillian Mooney, Rafaela Morales, Josalynn Murray, Joan O'Neil, Kaitlyn Oatridge, Jean Palumbo, Jim Palumbo, Jodi Palumbo, Pam Palumbo, Pat Palumbo, Peggy Palumbo, Augustus Petersen, Annette Pirozek, Nancy Prosser, Monica Puleo, Elizabeth Ray, Vinny Rini, Paula Ritter, Marty Rose, Marlene Sadowski, Janet Sekerak, Mike Sekerak, Brigitte Seuffert, Irene & Tom Sheridan, Alexis Simecek, Renate Sliwka, Elaine Smet, Diana Smith, Stanley Sovizral, 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, Mary Woodall, Betty Wozniak and Marian Zawadzki.

### **PRAYER LIST**

We have kept the names on the prayer list for a year. Starting with the July 2nd bulletin, we will start a fresh, new list. To add a name to the list, please call or email (rectory@stmparish.net) by Monday, June 26th at noon. Thank you!

### **IN REMEMBRANCE**

Please remember Stanley Sovizral, Marie Smolik, Steven Jablonski, Jerome Wancho, Helen Hanslik, Carole Popow and Barbara Eichman in your prayers. God grant them eternal rest.

### **ANNUAL MEMORIAL CANDLES**

Memorial Candles are available for \$100 for six months. Forms are available at the rectory.

### **SUMMER FORMATION SERIES**

Join us on Thursdays, July 13, 20, 27 and August 3 beginning at 6:30pm for Catholic Summer School in Utopia Hall. The topics will include: the Bible (July 13), the Catechism (July 20), the Eucharist (July 27), and a Catholic Q & A on August 3. Each session will give a basic overview of the topic, provide some simple resources, and allow for questions (and hopefully some answers). Come for one or all of the sessions and bring friends, family and neighbors.

### **FROM THE DESK OF SISTER JANE...**

From June 25 – July 2nd, I will be out of the office and on retreat at Bethany, our Retreat House in Chardon. As a young nun, I use to ask myself, "How can anyone pray all day for 8 days?" Well, I have learned that it is not impossible and actually you are not saying prayers 24/7. Over the years, it has become a relaxing "vacation time with God." Know that God and I will be talking a lot about you, and I will be asking God to give you all the graces that each of you need every day

While I am on the topic of "praying," maybe there are more of you out there who would like to join our Ministry of Prayer and Praise. To quote Father Mike, "It's free!" and there are NO Meetings required. Before the month begins, I sent out either by e-mail or "snail mail" (US postage) a newsletter with intentions for the new month. You simply use any amount of time or prayer method that you like to storm heaven with our requests. The prayer list in the bulletin for the sick is also a good starting place.

Do not let us hear you say, "I am not a good pray-er." Whenever we speak, God listens. Just simply talk to God like you would to a friend.

If you would like to join our other "prayer warriors," please fill out the slip below and return to the rectory or call in the needed information

This is also a good time to thank those of you who have been supporting our parish, the sick, and all our other intentions with your prayers. Only in eternity will you "hear" from all those who were helped through your prayers. This is why it's an "eternity." If you have any questions about this Ministry, please call me at 216-749-0414 x15.

### **PLEASE PRINT:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_

Month Day Year

For Married Couples:

Wedding Anniversary: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_

Month Day Year

# TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 25, 2023

## WHY A LIVING ROSARY IN OCTOBER?

The Blessed Mother appeared to the children of Fatima, Portugal on May 13 in 1917. She continued to appear on the 13th of each following month for six months, with her last appearance being on October 13, 1917. This year marks the 106th anniversary of the Fatima Miracle.

During her appearances she gave warnings about the future if man did not return to Christ and pray the rosary frequently. Some of those predictions were, World War I, World War II, the spread of Communism in Russia and others. Many of Her predictions came to be and we honor Her in the month of October because on Her last appearance she identified herself as "The Lady of the Rosary".

Reportedly there were three "secrets" of Fatima, that the Blessed Mother revealed to the children.

She left us with 15 promises if we faithfully pray the rosary. Please join our Parish as we conduct our 9th annual Living Rosary on Saturday, October 7th at 2:00pm in the church parking lot. More information will be forthcoming at a later date. This year we are again offering the opportunity for participants to request a recitation of one rosary prayer for a special intention, maybe a deceased loved one, an anniversary or just for oneself.

The success of this devotional activity will depend on volunteers helping with holding one of the candles during the recitation of the rosary and completing a prayer intention form. Anyone wishing to actively participate in the rosary should call the rectory at (216) 749-0414. There will be a table at our St. Thomas More Day Festival where anyone can fill out a prayer request form. Please visit our table and consider making a request for your special intention.

## VOCATION CORNER

### Mercedarian Sisters and Friars

To learn more visit [mercedariansisters.org](http://mercedariansisters.org) for the Sisters and [orderofmercy.org](http://orderofmercy.org) for the Friars. Please keep those Sisters and 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 Mercedarian Sisters, 1355 West 710th Street, Cleveland, 44102 or Mercedarian Friars, 6398 Drexel Road, Philadelphia, PA, 19151

## ADULT FUNERAL SERVERS

We are in need of adult funeral servers. Most funerals are weekdays in the morning. If you are interested, please call the rectory or see Fr. Mike.



## ST. THOMAS MORE SUMMER FESTIVAL

JUNE 25, 2023

12pm-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](http://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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## ROSARY UPDATE

**NEW SCHEDULE:**  
**FIRST FULL WEEKEND OF THE  
MONTH, EFFECTIVE JULY.**

**WHY:**  
**The First Five Saturdays Devotion**

### BACKGROUND:

On December 10, 1925, Our Lady appeared to Sr. Lucia, one of the Fatima visionaries, in the following way:

*"See, my daughter, my Heart encircled by thorns with which ungrateful men pierce it at every moment by their blasphemies and ingratitude. Do you, at least, strive to console me. Tell them that I promise to assist at the hour of death with the graces necessary for salvation all those who, in order to make reparation to me, on the First Saturday of five successive months, go to Confession, receive Holy Communion, say five decades of the Rosary, and keep me company for a quarter of an hour, meditating on the ... mysteries of the Rosary."*

Jesus then appeared to Sr. Lucia on May 29-30, 1930, and gave her the reason behind the five Saturdays devotion. It is because there are five types of offenses and blasphemies committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary:

**First:** Offenses against the Immaculate Conception.

**Second:** Offenses against Our Lady's Perpetual Virginity.

**Third:** Offenses against the Divine Maternity, refusing, at the same time, to receive her as the Mother of mankind.

**Fourth:** Those who seek publicly to implant, in the hearts of children, indifference, disrespect, and even hatred of their Immaculate Mother.

**Fifth:** Insults directly against her sacred images.

To make this devotion, for five consecutive first Saturdays of the month, and with the intention of making reparation for the offenses against the Immaculate Heart of Mary, we are asked to:

1 – Go to Confession (may be 8 days before or after, if you are in a state of grace)

2 – Receive Holy Communion (can be received at a Sunday evening anticipatory Mass)

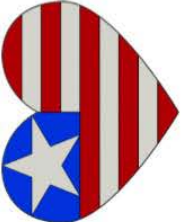





3 – Pray five decades of the Rosary

4 – Keep our Blessed Mother company for 15 minutes while meditating on one or more of the mysteries of the Rosary.



For more information: <https://americaneedsfatima.org/prayers/the-five-first-saturdays-devotion>

St. Thomas More Parish Calendar  
July 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Confessions 3:30 - 4:15pm Rosary before Mass Second Collection: Peter's Pence
2 Rosary before Masses Second Collection: Peter's Pence	3 RECTORY CLOSED	4 RECTORY CLOSED Mass at 9am 	5	6	7 	8 Confessions 3:30 - 4:15pm
9 	10	11	12	13 Catholic Summer School 6:30pm	14	15 Confessions 3:30 - 4:15pm
16	17	18	19	20 Catholic Summer School 6:30pm	21	22 Confessions 3:30 - 4:15pm Outdoor Mass at 4:30pm Hot Dog Cookout following Mass
23 World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly	24 	25 St. Elias Food Pantry 2pm	26	27 Catholic Summer School 6:30pm	28	29 Confessions 3:30 - 4:15pm
30	31 