

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 - 3pm until 4pm

Rectory Hours

Monday-Friday

9am - 4pm

Parish Staff

Father Michael J. Feldtz

Administrator

Deacon Don Brandt

Deacon

Deacon Charles Zawadzki

Retired Deacon

Father James Vesely

Pastor Emeritus

Frank Budziak

Pastoral Associate

Lisa Carson

Office Manager

Terri Sozio

Religious Education

Jeff Stutzman

Youth Ministry

Alex Ulle

Music Director

Melissa Wensing

Business Manager

St. Thomas More School

Enrolling PreSchool thru 8th Grade

216-749-1660 | stmschool.com

Jennifer Francis - Principal

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Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



SATURDAY, MAY 22 –

VIGIL

*4:30PM - Sean Robertson

SUNDAY, MAY 23 –

PENTECOST SUNDAY

*9:00AM - Theodore Maslanka

11:00AM - People of the Parish

MONDAY, MAY 24 –

**THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER
OF THE CHURCH**

8:15AM - Living & Deceased of the Moner &
Badza Families

TUESDAY, MAY 25 –

**SS. BEDE THE VENERABLE, GREGORY
VII & MARY MAGDALENE DE'PAZZI**

6:45PM - Nickola Badza

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26 –

ST. PHILIP NERI

8:15AM - All Souls' Day Intentions

THURSDAY, MAY 27 –

ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY

FRIDAY, MAY 28 –

WEEKDAY

8:15AM - Mike & Mary Jo Fodor (Living)
Anniversary - Student Liturgy

SATURDAY, MAY 29 –

ST. PAUL VI

8:15AM - May Birthdays

4:30PM - People of the Parish

SUNDAY, MAY 30 –

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

*9:00AM - Dorothy Masek

11:00AM - Sisters of the Incarnate Word

*Mass of Remembrance



Financial Blessings

Collection for May 16th.....\$4,045.00

Maintenance.....\$980.00

75th Anniversary.....\$26,841.00

Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

VOCATION CORNER

Fr. James Winings, Fr. Cameron Popik, Fr. Alexander Clark and Fr. Alexander Spenik were ordained on Saturday, May 15th. Please keep the newly ordained and all seminarians in your prayers, as we continue to pray for vocations. Please feel free to let them know they are in your thoughts and prayers by sending cards to them at St. Mary Seminary 28700 Euclid Avenue, Wickliffe OH 44092.

WEEKLY CONTENT GUIDE

First Reading:

Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. (Acts 2:3)

Psalm:

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth. (Ps 104) Or Alleluia.

Second Reading:

In contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. (Gal 5:22-23)

Gospel:

"But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth." (Jn 15:27, 16:13)

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - ROSARY

Next weekend, one half hour before all Masses, a member of the Knights of Columbus will lead us in the rosary. Come early and join us!



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

CHAIRPERSON: Stephanie Liebert

SECRETARY: Dawn Thomas

REGISTRATION

Persons who live within parish boundaries should be properly registered. This includes all students in high school and college. Register with the priest after Mass 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.

FROM THE CORNER OFFICE...

Happy Easter Peace AND Happy Pentecost to you and your family. Would it surprise you if I mentioned that the Feast of Pentecost is actually a Jewish feast celebrating the 50th day after the ‘*first fruits*’ of the season? We know that “Pentecost” means 50th, as we find it in the Greek. The fact that the early disciples and apostles being together for this feast day is nothing new. The Jewish culture and times would often include many feasts and gatherings.

The **Gospel** reading repeats this important passage from John, where Jesus (not only) greets the disciples with “Peace be with you” and also the forgiveness of sins. This is **HUGE** as we reflect on it all. We hear in the **First Reading** the coming of the Holy Spirit in tongues of fire and helped them to “*speak in different tongues*”. Basically, that they were understood by all! The **Second Reading** (I like...) includes the line, “...the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.” I could have stopped at love, joy, and peace – but the Spirit is more than just that – it’s (always) more!

This is exactly what we need to remember, that **MAGIS!** The more... We are all called to more, to *do more*, *expect more*, to *love more*, and *be more to others*.

Fr. Mike

75th Anniversary thoughts:

Can I continue with that theme of **MAGIS**? Yes, I know that it is a very “*Jesuit*” term, and we remember that Ignatius of Loyola had a knack for finding these great *spiritually-charged* phrases. Nike & Progressive Insurance would love to have the humble Ignatius on their marketing team. But, consider the **MAGIS**, as we think about all the work and ‘adjustments’ we are doing here at 4170 N. Amber.

The pop-up **75th Anniversary** events are planned, there are more in the making, and we even started looking at the “*surprise events*” being added to the calendar. We can all take a breath and say “Yes, I want more!” it can be in our parish, our school, and our relationship with God.

Get your raffle tickets early. Support the **75th Anniversary Boost** campaign. Then look for the events that will fit your family’s schedule. And most of all, let’s *have MAGIS*, i.e. **More fun as a parish!**

TRAVELING MADONNA

This week the statue is at the home of:

The Carson Family.

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 2021.**

SAINT QUOTE

“He who wishes for anything but Christ, does not know what he wishes; he who asks for anything but Christ, does not now what he is asking; he who works, and not for Christ, does not know what he is doing.”

St. Philip Neri (1515-1595),

Priest, Founder of an order of Priests: May 26th

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

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.

NEW MINISTRY

We are adding to the list of ministries here at St. Thomas More - Prison Pen Pals. If you are interested, please see Fr. Mike, Deacon Don or Frank Budziak for more information. Prayers requested for this new ministry.

CENSUS STATUS

To date, our responses from the online and paper forms give us a total of 657 parishioners. We need your help to get the most accurate count of parishioners and households. If you have not filled out a census, please do so by visiting our website: **stmparish.net/census** or picking up a paper form from the main entrance to the church or the rectory. In the next few weeks, more information will be shared on how to handle registering teenagers as this is presenting a problem with sponsor certificates. More info to follow...



We would like to thank Bernice Barker and the members of the Women’s Guild for the beautiful May Crowning that they presented last Tuesday evening. It was great to see our parishioners and First Communicants come together to honor Mary in this special way. Thank you also to Alex Ulle, our Music Director, for providing music for the evening.



Sharon Augustine, Peggy & Larry Bennett, George Bouchahine, Avianna Burgos, Samantha Call, J. Caraballo, Jeremy Cheetham, Meagan & Levi Chisholm, John & Kathy Cigas, Gladys Colon, Patricia & Robert Coombes, Mary Ann Cowgill, Marge Davis, Baby Divina, Diana Downes, Pierce Downing, David Elmore, Sharon Erich, Tom Erich, Julie Ersek, Dee Fedak, Arielah Feliciana, Maureen Finneran, Michael Frey, Norma Gademer, Alice Gruden, Terri Hammond, Bobby Hengood, Ed Hengood, Sr., Patricia Hinko, Ida Jean Hopkins, Coletta Hreha, Jaret Hreha, Heather Hudak, Margaret Ann Jablonski, Mick Jones, Sr. Ignatius Jones, SIW, Doris Kaczmarek, Ann Marie Kaczmariski, Ava Kaspar-Hernandez, Jesse Kazimer, Gene Klemanek, Melissa Korhely, Michael Kovach, Stefani Krese, Raymond Kuhar, Jessica Kuhar, Stephen Kuhar III, Martha & George Kysil, Barbara Laughlin, Robert Loria, Bill Malames, Arthur Markee, Richard McClelland, Jeff McCormick, Anne McElroy, Vinny Mercurio, Tim Misch, John Misch, Arlene Mobley, Mills & Lillian Mooney, Rafaela Morales, James Mortach, Dale Nagy, Iola Natal, Jayne Neelon, Keisha Newton, Peg Nicholay, Owen Noga, Betty Novatny, Christine Marie Nugent, Fr. Jim O'Donnell, Fr. Dennis O'Grady, Ellen Omilanowski, Jean Palumbo, Jennifer Palumbo, Jim Palumbo, Aurora Pelleschi, Doris Polander, Samantha & Baby Polidori, Bryan Poole, Mary Ellen Popovich, Elizabeth Ralstrom, Paula Ritter, Ricky Rodriguez, Ed Rogers, Bob & Audrey Roginsky, Jeff Romaniw, Mary Ryba, Haley Simecek, Gregory Simecek, Alexis Simecek, Memphis Charles & Myles David Sparks, Jennifer Stancato, Alice Stokes, John Szill, Sean Szill, Cynthia Tedesco, Therese, Mary Ann & Tom, Debbie Tomusko, Juliana Turner, Joy Turner, Pam Turner, Bill & Joanne Uhl, Jim Viets, Emilee Walsh, Patricia Ann Werley, Karen Willett, Grayson Wilmot, Erica Wilmot, Betty Wozniak, Marian Zawadzki and Stephanie Ziolkowski.

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



Please remember Dorothy Masek, Matilda Polomsky, Rev. Thomas A. McGovern, Deacon Joseph E. Loutzenhiser and Dorothy Knight in your prayers.
God grant them eternal rest.

Cluster Corner

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE: 216-749-2323

Corpus Christi Procession - MQP's 11th Annual Corpus Christ Procession will be on Sunday, June 6th after the 11AM Mass.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO: 440-884-3030

Save the Date - March your calendars for the Knights of Columbus Annual Car Show on Saturday, June 26th from 10:30AM-2PM (St. Charles Wilber Avenue Parking Lot). For information, please contact Robert Porvasnik at 440-822-5599.

ST. LEO THE GREAT: 216-661-1006

Great Sweepstakes - Don't forget to sign up for the Great Sweepstakes weekly drawing. Forms are available online at leothegreat.org or at the rectory office.

Readings *of the* Week ©LPI

Readings for the week of May 23, 2021

Sunday: *Vigil:* Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/
Ps 10:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
Extended Vigil: Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15/Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b/
Dn 3:52, 52, 53, 55, 56 or Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30 [cf. 30]/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39
Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 [cf. 30]/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34

Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23 [23b]/Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [Sir 36:1b]/Mk 10:32-45

Thursday: Sir 42:15-25/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [6a]/Mk 10:46-52

Friday: Sir 44:1, 9-13/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Mk 11:11-26

Saturday: Sir 51:12cd-20/Ps 19:8, 9, 19, 11 [9ab]/Mk 11:27-33

Next Sunday: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 [12b]/Rom 8:14-17/Mt 28:16-20

🎵 MUSIC DIRECTOR "NOTES" 🎵

Hello Parishioners of St. Thomas More and Happy Pentecost!

With updates to mask mandates happening, we still have not heard from the diocese about what this means for us here at STM. Over the next couple of weeks, we will be introducing more music into the liturgy, including singing the Mass parts and extending the Psalm.

With all this in mind, please remember that the coronavirus pandemic is not over yet. Please keep your distance and wear a mask to ensure the safety of everyone.

If anyone is interested in joining music ministry, as a choir member, cantor, or instrumentalist, please contact me through the parish website form. I would like to be ready to start the choir as soon as we can. I also have some fun and exciting ideas that are coming down the line, so stay tuned! Thank you all for your understanding during these difficult times!

Kind regards,
Alex Ulle
Music Director

75TH ANNIVERSARY UPDATES

Below are the updated stats for the week ending May 14th.



HOLY NAME SOCIETY - CORRECTION

The Holy Name Society has decided to take six months off from their monthly 50/50 raffle. This will allow parishioners to focus on the parish's upcoming 75th Anniversary drawing. The May 50/50 will be the last until January, 2022. We thank all of those who have supported our society over the years and look forward to next year.

Meetings are suspended for June and July and will resume in August.

MOTHER'S & FATHER'S DAY CANDLES

Candles are available to honor both living and deceased Mothers and Fathers during May and June for Mother's Day and Father's Day. Forms are available at the rectory or online on our website. Candles are \$25/month or \$45/both months. One name or one family name per candle please.

JESUIT RETREAT CENTER

Jesuit Retreat Center's summer 2021 schedule is offering various retreats and talks and Morning Prayer for Women from May through September. Please visit www.jesuitretreatcenter.org or call 440-884-9300 for more details.



PARISH COOKOUT

Next Saturday, May 29th, we will be holding a post-Mass cookout. RSVP's are asked in order to plan for food. Please go to stmparish.net/cookout to respond.

75TH ANNIVERSARY RAFFLE

Tickets for the 75th Anniversary Raffle are being sold after Masses in the main vestibule or at the rectory. Tickets are \$75 each with only 750 tickets being sold. Prizes are \$7500, \$2021 and \$1946. Drawing is August 1, 2021.

CALLING ALL ST. THOMAS MORE ALUMNI

Please help us stay connected with you, especially during this special 75th Anniversary year. We want to hear from you! Please send an email to rectory@stmparish.net with your name (as it was at graduation), married name (if applicable) and your year of graduation.



Although Governor Mike DeWine has announced that the mask mandate will be lifted on June 2nd, we are still waiting to receive "official" word from the Diocese of Cleveland.

Until we do, masks are still to be worn at Mass and we will continue our social distance seating. The Eucharistic Ministers will still come to you and ushers will no longer seat you, unless help is needed. Hand sanitizer is located at both the main and handicap entrances. Please be mindful of others and exit one row at a time. Thank you all for your patience as we wait navigate our way through the safety protocols.

CATHOLIC CONFERENCE OF OHIO

The Bishops of Ohio announce the lifting of the dispensation from the obligation to attend Holy Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation taking effect the weekend of June 5-6, 2021. To read the full announcement, please visit www.ohiocathconf.org.



The May - 31 Day Raffle Giveaway winner for:

May 10, 2021 Carole Burns

May 11, 2021 Cheryl Reeves

May 12, 2021 Kevin Price

May 13, 2021 Angela Cisneros

May 14, 2021 Isaac Diaz

May 15, 2021 George Zindroski

May 16, 2021 Nick Krolczyk

We have raised over \$18,000 for the school!
THANK YOU to all who participated!

Memorial Day Mass

May 31, 2021 10 am*

*Except where noted

**HONORING THOSE WHO
GAVE THEIR LIVES SERVING
GOD AND COUNTRY**

JOIN US FOR MASS

ALL SAINTS, NORTHFIELD ~ 480 W. Highland Rd.
ALL SOULS, CHARDON ~ 10366 Chardon Rd.
CALVARY, CLEVELAND ~ 10000 Miles Ave.
CALVARY, LORAIN ~ 555 N. Ridge Rd. W. *9 am
HOLY CROSS, AKRON ~ 100 E. Waterloo Rd.
HOLY CROSS, BROOK PARK ~ 14609 Brookpark Rd.
RESURRECTION, VALLEY CITY ~ 6303 Center Rd.
ST. JOSEPH, AVON ~ 32789 Detroit Rd.
ST. MARY, CUYAHOGA HTS. ~ 4720 E. 71st St. *9 am
ST. AGNES CHURCH, ELYRIA ~ 611 Lake Ave. *9 am
ST. MARY CHURCH, O. FALLS ~ 25615 Bagley Rd. *9 am

All Cemetery Masses are outdoors. Please bring a lawn chair and an umbrella if the weather is inclement.



CATHOLIC CEMETERIES ASSOCIATION
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VOLUNTEER CORNER

We are looking for parishioners who would like to help out around the campus. There are a lot of grounds to cover, so let us know if you would be willing and able to "adopt" an area to help take care of. There are lots of opportunities for volunteering...the grounds, the 75th Anniversary celebrations and much more. Also, if you are a woodworker or candle maker, give us a call (216-749-0414).

Our Parish Pastoral Council has been busy working on our 75th Anniversary, but need your help! They are looking for parishioners who are willing to head up and lead events or are interested in assisting as well. We are also looking for network leaders who can connect with alumni and former parishioners to reach out and contact them about our events.

50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Traditionally, married couples from across the diocese gather for the 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration at The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist. However, bringing couples together for this celebration is not possible.

The Office of Marriage and Family Ministry will provide a certificate and blessing from the Bishop to those couples who register online starting May 1st through July 5th at www.dioceseofcleveland.org/50th.