

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
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 School PreSchool thru 8th Grade

Meg Cosgriff - Principal
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ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH

BROOKLYN, OH 44144



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8 -

VIGIL

4:30PM - George & Phyllis Zindroski -
60th Anniversary

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9 -

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*9:00AM - JoAnn Veltre
11:00AM - People of the Parish

MONDAY, OCTOBER 10 -

WEEKDAY

8:15AM - Ted & Bruce Madzia

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11 -

ST. JOHN XXIII

6:45PM - Peter Carnivale

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12 -

WEEKDAY

8:15AM - Betty Higgins

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13 -

WEEKDAY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14 -

ST. CALLISTUS I

8:15AM - Sr. Ignatius Jones, SIW

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15 -

ST. TERESA OF JESUS

8:15AM - Mary Santore
4:30PM - People of the Parish

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16 -

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*9:00AM - Michael J. Rydzewski, Sr.
*11:00AM - Carol M. Cushler
*Mass of Remembrance

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

Collection for October 2nd \$3,965.00
Maintenance \$2,809.00
Student's Weekly Offering (15 Envelopes)..... \$100.50
Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.



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.

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.

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.

FAITH DIRECT

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

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 9, 2022

FROM THE CORNER OFFICE

The *Twentieth-Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time* continues with **Jesus** using the **Samaritan** as the example in this passage from the *Gospel of Luke*. Notice both **Naathan** and **the Samaritan** being outsiders. Like an onion, there are many layers to this week's readings. The first level is the healing power of **God**, then the help to all **God's** people – even beyond the **Israelites**, the persistence preached by **St. Paul** to **Timothy** (and the others...), and also (again) **Jesus** reaching out to those outside the circle of the **Israelites**. Now the final core of all of these readings is "*being grateful*" for the love of **God** which heals all of us – not just a few. Remember that this is our *spiritual healing*. Yes, as **Naaman** and **the Samaritan** leper found out, it is just that simple, being present to **God** and **Jesus**, *with a desire to be healed*. If we put ourselves in **God's** presence or with **Jesus**, what is it that we would need healing from? **and** would we be grateful?

Fr. Mike

From the Pastor's Desk:

The change of seasons, is more than just the turning of the leaves and temperatures, but here at St. Thomas More we have a whole CYO Sports program to change over. Moving from fall to winter sports seasons is a huge undertaking. There is information going out very soon for the winter programs, and the various games that will be hosted here on the campus will be scheduled. It is our hope to get as many student-athletes, parents, and families involved with the sports programs. Now, that is not without the benefactors' support, staff, and volunteers to the programs.

Thank you to everyone from the top Athletic Director, the Athletic Board, and even to the concession stand hosts. There are many moving parts, and hopefully all the parents will get more involved and realize the fun it is, as well as the family bonding that happens. We'll do our best to help the young ones have fun, and grow spiritually in their sportsmanship, and also *go home tired* – **BUT** *we need everyone's help to rally together!*

TRAVELING MADONNA

This week the statue is at the home of
The Badza 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 in to the rectory. Please call the rectory to sign-up to host the Traveling Madonna in 2023.

THANKFUL CORNER

Thank you to Deacon Don & Beth Brandt for all they do for our parish. Deacon Don assists Fr. Mike at Mass, runs RCIA, helps with sacramental programs and baptisms, just to name a few of the things he does. Beth is there giving her support and also leading our book study.



Congratulations and welcome
Logan River Cardinal who was baptized on
October 2nd at St. Thomas More. God bless

VOCATION CORNER

Poor Clare Sisters

To learn more visit poorclare.org. Please keep all of the Sisters 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 to Monastery of the Blessed Sacrament, 3501 Rocky River Drive, Cleveland, 44111 or the Adoration Monastery, 4108 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, 44103.

SAINT QUOTE

"It is now for the Catholic Church to bend herself to work with calmness and generosity. It is for you to observe her with renewed and friendly attention."

Pope St. John XXIII (1881-1963),
Pope of Second Vatican,
Feast Day: October 11th

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

LECTORS

We are in need for lectors at the 11am Mass. If you are interested, please call the rectory.

Prayer REQUESTS

Theodore Antrum, Jack Baker, Frank Bielski, Robert Bonus, Jr., Barbara & Lloyd Bridle, Avianna Burgos, Eric Butler, Kellie Butler, Louie Catania, Jeremy Cheetham, Noelle, Brian & Dylan Clark, Elizabeth DeLeon, Diana & Greg Downes, Patricia Foerster, Norma Gademer, Ruth Giaco, Sr. Carole Anne Griswold, HM, John Hearn, Bobby Hengood, Doris Kaczmarek, Jesse Kazimer, Louie Kazimer, Tom Knippenberg, Melissa Korhely, Joan Kremser, Jessica Kuhar, Raymond Kuhar, Charles & Helen Kuhel, Martha & George Kysil, Babs Lowe, Madonna, Scott & Family, Jane McClure, Sandy Meade, Vinny Mercurio, Carol Meredith, John Misch, Kathy Mitchell, Rafaela Morales, Josalynn Murray, Kaitlyn Oatridge, Jean Palumbo, Jim Palumbo, Jodi Palumbo, Pam Palumbo, Pat Palumbo, Augustus Petersen, Mary Ellen Popovich, Monica Puleo, Paula Ritter, Marty Rose, Mike Sekerak, Brigitte Seuffert, Alexis Simecek, Renate Sliwka, Special Intention, Jennifer Stancato, Justine Steadley, Jane Szoke, Anthony Tedesco, Lillian Tuma, Joy Turner, Julianna Turner, Noreen Valentine, Wayne, Rev. Robert Wenz, Leroy Werley, Patricia Werley, Betty Wozniak and Marian Zawadzki. Please call the rectory by noon on Monday to add a name to the list. Names will remain on the list until you call to have them removed.

IN REMEMBRANCE

Please remember Conrad Wallen, Milan Kovatch, Richard Clark, Michael Heaton, Josephine Kurtz, Daniel Nelson, Mary Schroeder, Rev. Thomas C. Gilles and Jerry Driscoll in your prayers. God grant them eternal rest.



Mourning to Morning is an informative and prayerful program to help people move through the grieving process and forward in faith. Sessions begin Monday, October 17, 2022 6:30PM – 8:00PM in St. Thomas More Utopia Hall. There is no fee but registration requested. Contact the parish office at 216-749-0414

2023 BREAKING BREAD MISSALS

In an effort to keep our faith community safe and healthy, we're once again offering parishioners the opportunity to order their own personal copies of our Breaking Bread missal, for use at home or in the church.

The missal, which includes all of the Sunday readings for the year, as well as hymns and songs we use during mass, will be available for purchase for \$12. Cash or check (made payable to St. Thomas More Parish).

Order deadline is Wednesday November 1, 2022.

Breaking Bread Order form

Name _____

Contact phone number _____

Number of Missals requested _____

Join the St. Thomas More
Ministry of Consolation
on Sunday, November 20, 2022
at 2:00pm in Utopia Hall for

Tidings of Comfort & Joy Hope for the Holidays



OUR GUEST SPEAKER,
Cassandra Zabor (Zabor funeral Homes),
will do a presentation on
grief management
throughout the holidays.

Please invite your family and friends.
If you have any questions,
please call Peggy at 216-402-2773.

**Please come and allow us to help heal
your hurting hearts.**

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 9, 2022

ST. THOMAS MORE SCHOOL

For Hispanic Heritage month the 3rd graders are creating Slideshows featuring a Latin American country of their choosing. Their research includes fun facts about their country, as well as, information about population and culture. They will present their slideshows to their classmates to share what they have learned.

Mrs. Kristen Valenty
3rd Grade Teacher



SCOUT NEWS

The Cub Scouts will hold a bake sale after all Masses on October 22nd & 23rd. They greatly appreciate the support of the parish as they attempt to keep the Cub Scout Pack thriving.

FROM THE DESK OF SR. JANE

Life has many seasons, and the grace of my ministry is that I get to interact with many of those at every stage of life and to see them grow into God, one season at a time. The laws that govern the natural world mirror the laws that govern the spiritual world: planting, germination, growth, flowering, fruit, harvesting (letting go), and death. No one realizes how slowly we are being shaped from within.

Knowing that I can pop into St. Thomas More School to visit Staff, Teachers, and Students is a blessing that keeps me “young.” I enjoy the sounds of recess and the ideals of learning and faith taking place as I walk down the halls. There is so much goodness and growth in our School.

The folks at Brooklyn Pointe enjoyed that they made the Parish Bulletin. On a sad note, Cathy Reinhart, one of our Community of Mother Teresa, died after a long illness. She certainly embodied what the book *Living Joy* is all about. Another Ministry that brings joy to me is working with the Lay Eucharistic Ministers who take communion to our Homebound. They are a small group: Mary Lou, Sue, Joan, Marilu, Vern, and Barb, but “mighty.” I thank them for their dedication and generosity. Not only do they bring Jesus, but they are Jesus to these folks by their love and care

If any Lay Eucharistic Minister would like to take Holy Communion to our Homebound, please let me know. If you feel a call to do this, but are not a certified Eucharistic Minister, again, let me know and we will get you on the right track to becoming one. I have two further requests:

1. If any one is taking communion to someone and you are NOT on our “Homebound Minister List,” please contact me and let me know the name of the person(s) to whom you give communion. This is not to stop you, but to know how many are actually receiving our Lord at home. I see others with a pix asking for hosts at communion time

2. If someone is homebound and cannot get out to come to Mass, but wants to receive Holy Communion, please let us know by calling the rectory. We will get you on our list and see how we can accommodate you. We do not want to deprive anyone from receiving Our Lord.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY SWEETEST DAY CELEBRATION

On Saturday, October 15th at the 4:30pm Mass, we will have our Golden Anniversary Celebration. All couples who have been married 50 years or more will be honored. If you plan to participate in this celebration, please call the rectory by Monday, October 10th. All married couples are welcome to renew their wedding vows.

ST. THOMAS MORE'S YOUTH MINISTRY PRESENTS
TRUNK OR TREAT
SUNDAY, OCT. 30, 2022 AT 2PM



Scan QR Code
or visit website



Deadline to Register:
Oct 27, 2022

**Registration Required
to plan for space and candy**

Please note, if you are bringing children to this event,
it is expected that you will also pass out candy.

Parishioners without children are welcome to register
for a spot to pass out candy as well.

 stmparish.net/trunkortreat



BABY BOTTLE COLLECTION

October is Respect Life Month. We will be participating in the Baby Bottle Collection for Womankind. Womankind provides prenatal care for women in-need and their services are in-line with teachings of the Catholic Church. Please pick up a baby bottle that you can take for collecting in your homes and businesses. Bottles can be returned the weekend of October 29-30 Thank you in advance for your generosity.

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 with many people worldwide in praying for this intention this month:

A Church Open to Everyone - We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity, and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.

ST. LEO'S BUS TRIP

Christmas Shopping in Amish Country - Monday, November 14th. \$80/person (lunch at Dutch Valley Restaurant included). Deadline to register: Friday, October 14th. Please contact Sandy Diaddario at 216-926-3123 for more information or to register.

LIVING ROSARY

Join us for the Living Rosary this Wednesday, October 12th at 7pm in the church parking lot (weather permitting). Please bring your own chair.

WEEKLY CONTENT

First Reading:

Naaman returned with his whole retinue to the man of God. On his arrival he stood before Elisha and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth, except in Israel. (2 Kgs 5:15)

Psalm:

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power. (Ps 98)

Second Reading:

If we have died with him we shall also live with him; if we persevere we shall also reign with him. (2 Tm 2:11-12)

Gospel:

"Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" (Lk 17:17-18)

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 9, 2022

Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4/2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19

Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6/Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48/Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 11:42-46

Thursday: Eph 1:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 11:47-54

Friday: Eph 1:11-14/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13/Lk 12:1-7

Saturday: Eph 1:15-23/Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 12:8-12

Next Sunday: Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/2 Tm 3:14-4:2/Lk 18:1-8 ©LPi

TODAY IS BLANKET SUNDAY - THANK YOU!

Thank you for your financial donation to our Blanket Sunday collection. The Diocesan St. Vincent de Paul Society will make your money go further with bulk purchases for use in our own metropolitan area. Please use the special Blanket Sunday envelopes located at all church entrances for you gift. You may also donate online: www.svdpcle.org.