



ST. THOMAS MORE

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Mass Times

Masses of Obligation

Saturday - 4:30 p.m.

Sunday - 9 & 11 a.m.

Rectory Times

Monday-Friday

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Weekday/end

Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday - 8:15 a.m.

Tuesday 6:45 p.m.

No Mass on Thursday

Holy Days

Eve of Holy Days - 6 p.m.

Holy Days - 8:15 a.m.,

11:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.

Confessions

Saturday - 3 - 4 p.m.

Holidays - TBA

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.



**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10 –
VIGIL**

*4:30PM - Jean Sunyak

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11 –
TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

9:00AM - People of the Parish

11:00AM - William & Paula Ritter -
55th Anniversary

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 12 –
WEEKDAY**

8:15AM - Judy Zauszniewski

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13 –
WEEKDAY**

6:45PM - Mary & Frank Santore

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14 –
ST. CALLISTUS I**

8:15AM - Memorial Garden

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15 –
ST. TERESA OF JESUS**

☞Private - Living & Deceased of the Stofko
Family

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16 –
SS. HEDWIG & MARGARET MARY
ALACOQUE**

☞Private - Nettie & Frank Kuchar

8:15AM - Richard Minch - Student Liturgy

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17 –
ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH**

8:15AM - Carolyn Hilberg

4:30PM - People of the Parish

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18 –
TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

*9:00AM - Janice Micuch

*11:00AM - Donald McAlindon

*Mass of Remembrance ☞Private Mass

Financial Blessings

Collection for October 4th.....	\$7,008.00
Maintenance.....	\$2,060.00
Votives.....	\$66.00

Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.
We are so grateful for your support of the parish!!!

It's never too late to sign up for Faith Direct! For more information or to sign up please visit faith.direct/OH684.

WEEKLY CONTENT GUIDE

First Reading:

He will destroy death forever. The Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from every face; the reproach of his people he will remove from the whole earth; for the LORD has spoken. (Is 25:8)

Psalm:

I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. (Ps 23)

Second Reading:

My God will fully supply whatever you need, in accord with his glorious riches in Christ Jesus. To our God and Father, glory forever and ever. Amen. (Phil 4:19-20)

Gospel:

“Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find.” The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests. (Mt 22:9-10)

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

CHAIRPERSON: Karen Plank

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 6 months prior to the wedding date. Individual conferences, plus attendance at a pre-marriage program, are required for proper preparation.

FROM THE CORNER OFFICE...

“Are we having fun, yet?” This question is one that you’ll hear around the rectory office a lot lately as we deal with the many activities of the parish life. The staff will often laugh, and reply back with a comment, “Fun is all we have!” or “Sure, it’s *all fun!*” We all know that things are busy and quite honestly, it may not always be fun at all. But the huge help is how you look at it; simply, your attitude on approaching the challenges.

Jesus tells the chief priests and elders of a king having a wedding feast and how the servants went out to invite the guests. Ultimately, he sent the servants out a few at a time, only to be mistreated and even killed. The invited simply – did not care to come to the invited feast. They ignored the king.

So for ourselves - Once invited, do we seem lax in our attitude or do we celebrate that we are invited to the feast? *Well, I pray that we are all excited about being invited to the feast and look to bring others along with us!*

Fr. Mike



Congratulations to Ann Marie Pellerito and Kevin Lachowski who were married at St. Thomas More on October 3rd. May God bless you both!

SAINT QUOTE

“Before everything else, fidelity to the Church: One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic. Jesus did not found several churches, but one single Church.”

Pope John XXIII (1881-1963)

Pope of Second Vatican

Feast Day: October 11

TRAVELING MADONNA

This week the statue is at the home of: **Andrew & Brenda Williams & 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.

Please drop her off at the church on Saturday at 4PM. The family that will be taking her for the next week can either pick her up **after** the 4:30 Mass or on Sunday after the 9AM or 11AM Mass. Please see Alex Ulle, our Music Director, to get the statue.

ATHLETICS UPDATE

Join us for a socially-distant Tailgate Party on Sunday, October 18th. All are encouraged to attend the 11am Mass and join us in the parking lot following for hot dogs, chips and beverages. Stay through the game. This event is free, but a simple RSVP is asked for food planning. More details on the parish website. This is an outdoor event and all are asked to wear a mask and adhere to the distancing requests and set-up. Rain date is October 25th.

CYO BASKETBALL REGISTRATION

Registration for grades 3-8 who would like to play CYO basketball will soon be available on the parish website. Please watch for more details on the website and in the bulletin.



PSR

PSR classes have begun, but it’s not too late to register. Forms are available in the back of the church, on our website and at the rectory. **We are still looking for a few volunteers.** If you are interested, please call the rectory or email Terri Sozio at psr@stmparish.net.



On Saturday, October 17th 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 12th. All married couples are welcome to renew their wedding vows.

NOVEMBER MEMORIAL CANDLES

In the month of November, we remember our beloved dead. This year, why not honor them with a Memorial Candle? This Memorial Candle will have their name inscribed on it and will be lit for the whole month of November. Candles are \$25 for a new candle and \$20 if you are returning your 2019 candle. Forms are available at the rectory.



Please remember

Richard Hovan, William Devlin, Dominic Scafaria,
Daniel Ripepi, Joseph Pukys, Robert Dalton,
Kirk Shemuga, Janet Patena and
Kathleen Wancho in your prayers.
God grant them eternal rest.

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.



Audrey Roginsky, Diana Downes, Mary Ryba, Mary Ellen Popovich, Martha & George Kysil, Norma Gademer, Jesse Kazimer, Theodore Maslanka, Marge Davis, Nancy J. Folcik, Alice Gruden, Dolores Hyson, James Malames, Jennifer Stancato, Raymond Kuhar, Jessica Kuhar, Stephen Kuhar, Alexis Simecek, Gregory Simecek, Haley Simecek, Heather Hudak, Mary Misch, John Misch, Tim Misch, Grayson Wilmot, John Szill, Melissa Korhely, Sean Szill, Jeff McCormick, Bobby Hengoed, Mick Jones, Tom Erich, Julie Ersek, Baby Divina, Avianna Burgos, Erica Wilmot, Lorrie Turner, Vinny Mercurio, Aurora Pelleschi, Juliana Turner, Meg Zalar, Stephanie Ziolkowski, Jean Palumbo, Marlene Sutowski, Ida Jean Hopkins, Joy Turner, Jeremy Cheetham, Pam Turner, Jennifer Palumbo, Jodi Palumbo, Joanne Palumbo, Jack Palumbo, Pat Palumbo, Rita Valochik, Mary Ann Cowgill, Barbara Laughlin, Terri Hammond, John & Kathy Cigas, James Mortach, Arthur Markee, Margaret Ann Jablonski, Frank Colonna, Rafaela Morales, Iola Natal, Michael Kovach, Nancy Taube, Patricia & Robert Coombes, Dorothy Pavelka, Patricia Ann Werley, Peggy & Larry Bennett, George Bouchahine, Sister Ignatius Jones, SIW, Bill & Joanne Uhl, Peg Nicholay, Therese, Mary Ann & Tom, Bryan Poole, Alice Stokes, Jennifer Bonus and Rosita Ortiz.

Please call the rectory by noon on Monday to add a name to the list. Names will remain on the list for the month.

Cluster Corner

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE: 216-749-2323

Blue Army Holy Hour - The 103rd Anniversary of the Miracle of the sun is on Tuesday, October 13th. To continue the commemoration of the Miracle of the Sun, plan to come to the Blue Army Holy Hour on Sunday, October 18th at 2pm in the church.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO: 440-884-3030

Holy Mary's Rosary Makers - During these unprecedented times, prayer is needed more than ever before! The Rosary Makers are in need of new members. We make rosaries at home for local hospitals, prisons and foreign missions. The next meeting will be Monday, October 26th in the Upper room of the Parish Activity Center where you can learn more about the joy and relaxation of making rosaries for others. For more information, please call Jean at 440-832-8585.

ST. LEO THE GREAT: 216-661-1006

Parish Festival - St. Leo the Great Parish Festival is Friday, October 16th from 6-10PM and Saturday, October 17th from 5-10PM. Take out only (until they sell out). \$5,000 Raffle. Please call the office for more details.



Readings of the Week

Readings for the week of October 11, 2020

- Sunday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10
- Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7 [cf. 2]/Lk 11:29-32
- Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6/Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48 [41a]/Lk 11:37-41
- Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/Lk 11:42-46
- Thursday: Eph 1:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2a]/Lk 11:47-54
- Friday: Eph 1:11-14/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13 [12]/Lk 12:1-7
- Saturday: Eph 1:15-23/Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7 [7]/Lk 12:8-12
- Next Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6/Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10 [7b]/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21

MARCO'S PIZZA NIGHT

This Thursday, October 15th, is our Marco's Pizza Night Fundraiser. Plan on ordering lunch or dinner. It's a win-win situation; you get a great meal and the school gets a donation! The classroom that brings in the most sales will win a pizza party so don't forget to mention a class when you place your order. Thanks, as always for supporting our school.

SILENT SORROW MASS

The diocesan Silent Sorrow Mass for those suffering from Miscarriage or Neo-Natal Death will be celebrated on Sunday, October 25th at 5:30PM in the Cathedral. Please be aware that the Cathedral has limited seating.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
TODAY IS BLANKET SUNDAY

THANK YOU! Thank you for your 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 help blanket others in warmth & compassion this winter! Your care, concern and generosity will help in many ways this winter.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Next weekend we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

Although the pandemic has caused a reduction in the number of parish in-pew Blanket Sunday donation envelopes available, the **need is still great** and donations can be made securely online at <https://www.svdpcle.org/donate-today/blanket-sunday/>.

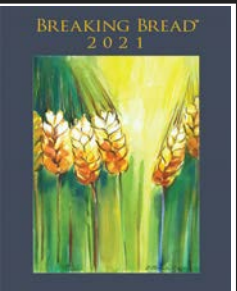
PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

The Diocese of Cleveland's "Protecting God's Children" program is a continuing effort to instruct and inform everyone about the protection of children from sexual abuse. To report any past or present suspected inappropriate behavior toward children by priests, deacons, religious, lay ecclesial ministers or personnel associated with the Church, please contact the Diocesan Response Service Office at 216-334-2999 or via email at response_services@dioceseofcleveland.org. You are also asked to immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior.

Checks may also be mailed to: **St. Vincent de Paul Society Blanket Sunday**, 1404 East 9th Street-3rd Floor, Cleveland, OH 44114.

2021 MISSALS

In an effort to keep our faith community safe, healthy and engaged in the liturgy, we're inviting parishioners to order their own personal copies of our new missal, Breaking Bread, for use at home or in the church. The missal includes all of the Sunday readings, as well as the Entrance and Communion antiphons and list of readings for every weekday liturgy for the year, and the hymns and songs we use during mass. It will be available for purchase for only \$12.



Join us for each celebration and continue to actively participate in the liturgy. You have until **October 28th** to order a missal!

You can fill out the form below, and send in your money (either to the rectory or the Sunday collection baskets) in an envelope marked "Missal Purchase". Missals will be handed out on or before the First Week of Advent (November 28-29).

2021 ST. THOMAS MORE MISSAL PURCHASE ORDER FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address (if applicable): _____

Breaking Bread (\$12)

Quantity: _____

Payment Method:

Cash

Check

Total Amount (\$) Enclosed: \$ _____



DINING TO DONATE

Enjoy a meal that's filling and fulfilling!

STM Cub Scout Pack 319

Needs your support!

Applebee's will donate 15% of your check when you dine at

Applebee's Brooklyn

**RIDGE PARK SQUARE
4800 Ridge Road
Present this to your server**

Wednesday Oct 21st

Donation percentage excludes tax and gratuity. Valid only at the above specified location on the specified date. Must present flyer to your server or To Go Specialist in order for organization to receive credit for purchase. Flyers are not to be distributed in the restaurant or within the perimeter of the parking lot. Doing so will result in a voided event.

**ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY:
PRE-PLANNING SEMINAR**

The Catholic Cemeteries Association invites you to attend a 1-hour pre-planning seminar on Saturday, October 17th at 1PM. Come learn about your Catholic burial options, including options for cremated remains. We kindly ask that you RSVP to this event so that we can make arrangements for proper social distancing. Attendees are required to wear a facial covering throughout the duration of the seminar. St. Joseph Cemetery - 32789 Detroit Road, Avon. RSVP: 216-641-7575 ext. 8.

**UNITY CATHOLIC FEDERAL CREDIT UNION
COMMUNITY SHRED DAYS**

10/10/2020 @ Lakewood Office (10AM - 1PM)
10/17/2020 @ Parma Office (10AM - 1PM)

We are requesting that all participants stay in their car and follow signage for a safe experience. Please limit shredding to 3 boxes. We will be collecting donations for Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital. Please contact Kelly for more information at 440-886-2558 x 244. See full details at unitycatholiccu.org/events-calendar

**DAY OF PRAYER & FASTING FOR
PRIESTS
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23RD**

Please join us for a Day of Prayer and Fasting for our wonderful priests here in the Diocese of Cleveland!

How can You Participate?

- Attend Mass
- Spend Time in Adoration
- Fast from the internet, sweets, a meal, or something you enjoy
- Offer Private Prayer
- Pray the Rosary (airtimes-5:30 am and 9:30 pm)
- Recite the Divine Mercy Chaplet (airtime-3:00 pm)

Our Priests are Christ's Presence to us here on earth. They bring us the Invaluable and Beautiful Gifts of the Holy Mass and Sacraments. With the challenges of daily life, including the most recent crosses of the pandemic and social unrest, we need strong and peaceful leadership. Our priests sacrifice so much for us, and they need our prayer and fasting to continue to be the good shepherds that they are.

Please go to www.am1260therock.com for a listing of churches in you area that will be open on Friday, October 23rd. Drop by and spend some time with the Lord as you pray for our wonderful Catholic priests!



THANKFUL CORNER

"No duty is more urgent than that of returning thanks." St. Ambrose

We would like to give a special thanks to the Sacristans and Mop and Glow members who have been working so hard to keep our church clean and in order.