



# ST. THOMAS MORE

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## Parish Staff

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## St. Thomas More School

Grades Pre-K - 8  
4180 North Amber Drive  
P: 216.749.1660

**Jennifer Francis**  
*Principal*

## Mass Times

### Masses of Obligation

Saturday - 4:30 p.m.  
Sunday - 9 & 11 a.m.

### Holy Days

Eve of Holy Days - 6 p.m.  
Holy Days - 7 a.m., 8:15 a.m.,  
11:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.

### Weekdays

Monday - Thursday - 7 a.m.  
Friday - 7 a.m. & 8:15 a.m.  
Saturday - 8:15 a.m.  
Holidays - 9 a.m.

## Rectory Times

Sunday  
9 - 11:30 a.m.

Monday-Friday  
9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Saturday  
9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Closed on Mondays  
from 9-10:30 a.m. for  
Staff Meetings

### Confessions

Saturday - 3 - 4 p.m.

*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, JULY 18 –**

**VIGIL**

4:30PM - People of the Parish

**SUNDAY, JULY 19 –**

**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

\*9:00AM - Fred Lingenfelter

\*11:00AM - Robert Poole

**MONDAY, JULY 20 –**

**ST. APOLLINARIS**

8:15AM - Memorial Garden

**TUESDAY, JULY 21 –**

**ST. LAWRENCE OF BRINDISI**

8:15AM - Judy Bizjak

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 22 –**

**ST. MARY MAGDALENE**

8:15AM - Living & Deceased Members of the  
Martucci Family

**THURSDAY, JULY 23 –**

**ST. BRIDGET**

8:15AM - Jane Latsko

**FRIDAY, JUNE 24 –**

**ST. SHARBEL MAKHLŪF**

8:15AM - Louis & Flora Presotto

**SATURDAY, JULY 25 –**

**ST. JAMES**

8:15AM - July Birthdays

\*4:30PM - Nickola Badza

**SUNDAY, JULY 26 –**

**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY  
TIME**

9:00AM - People of the Parish

\*11:00AM - Carol Loy

\*Mass of Remembrance

# Financial Blessings

Collection for March.....	\$9,772.00
Collection for April.....	\$13,359.00
Collection for May.....	\$14,877.00
Collection for June.....	\$12,772.00
Collection for July 5th.....	\$9,014.00
Faith Direct as of 7/4.....	\$6,080.00

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

## WEEKLY CONTENT GUIDE

### **First Reading:**

For your might is the source of justice; your mastery over all things makes you lenient to all. (Wis 12:16)

### **Psalm:**

Lord, you are good and forgiving. (Ps 86)

### **Second Reading:**

And the one who searches hearts knows what is the intention of the Spirit, because it intercedes for the holy ones according to God’s will. (Rom 8:27)

### **Gospel:**

“Let them grow together until harvest; then at harvest time I will say to the harvesters, “First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles for burning; but gather the wheat into my barn.”” (Mt 13:30b)

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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. 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...**

So, here we go for another week of parables in the Gospel of Matthew. I feel that as we look at everything this past week, the readings still continue to run parallel to our own lives. Think of the “cleaning out” we are continuing here at the rectory and getting things pointed back in the correct direction. Jennifer, the school principal, and I have been reviewing procedures. We are looking ahead on the handling, not only of all of the ‘schooling matters’ despite all of the virus concerns, but we are also looking at the financial procedures. The stewardship of the financials is something that we all are called to take seriously, and believe me, administrating a parish is no easy task. But with the help of the office and school staff, we are pulling in the loose strings and moving forward. The reviews of the physical plant are being completed as the diocesan managers paid us a visit and will be presenting us with a ‘capital assessment’, which will help us see what maintenance items need attention with (hopefully) a level of priority. Stay tuned for these results.

On the spiritual side, as I mentioned, we can see where there needs to be decisions made on the weeds and items preventing us to grow. We all need to ask if we are hanging on to traditions or procedures, because – that is how we always did it. I know it is hard to understand after so many years of doing something, that any change is hard. If weeds are growing up between all the good things in our lives; it is a culture shock to then look at the change. We can’t keep hidden the great potential that we have here as a parish. We are the family of St. Thomas More, and we are growing closer to God and each other.

Fr. Mike

**ST. THOMAS MORE’S DEVOTIONAL PRAYER TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER**

Hail Mary, full of Grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed are thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

My Queen and my Mother, I give myself entirely to you; and to show my devotion to you, I consecrate to you this day my eyes, my ears, my mouth, my heart, my whole being without reserve. Wherefore, good Mother, as I am your own, keep me, guard me, as your property and possession. Amen.



Please remember  
 Ronald Nalepa, Mary Ann Proszowski, Sandra Rowe,  
 Kathleen M. Stincic and Richard J. Bendlock  
 in your prayers.  
 God grant them eternal rest.

**TRAVELING MADONNA**

This week the statue is at the home of:

**Jack & Trudy Holt.**

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.

\*\*We have a new policy for drop off and pick up of the Traveling Madonna. 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.\*\*



## Marriage & Banns

II - Angela LoBue (St. Thomas More) &  
Thomas O'Donnell (St. Thomas More)

### 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.



Mary Ryba, Robert Hreha, Jesse Kazimer, Mary Ellen Popovich, James Malames, Jennifer Stancato, Raymond Kuhar, Jessica Kuhar, Stephen Kuhar III, Alexis Simecek, Gregory Simecek, Haley Simecek, Heather Hudak, Mary Misch, John Misch, Tom Misch, Tim Misch, Marge Goss, Alice Gruden, Grayson Wilmot, John Szill, Melissa Korhely, Sean Szill, Jeff McCormick, Bobby Hengoed, Mick Jones, Tom Erich, Julie Ersek, Baby Divina, Avianna Burgos, Julie Gorski, Erica Wilmot, Martha & George Kysil, 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, Rita Valochik, Mary Ann Cowgill, Barbara Laughlin, Teri Hammond, Johnny & Kathy Cigas, James Mortach, Arthur Markee, Pat Gumina, Margaret Ann Jablonski, Frank Colonna, Rafaela Morales, Iola Natal, Michael Kovach, Nancy Taube, Patricia & Robert Coombes and Joe Pukys.

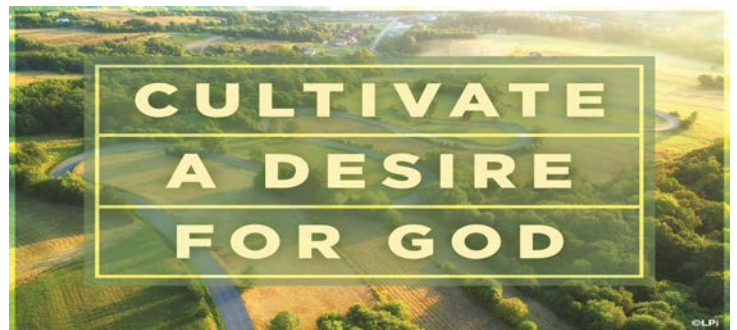
Please call the rectory by noon on Monday to add a name to the list. Names will remain on the list for the month.

## Cluster Corner

Returning soon...updates from our Cluster Parishes!

“Let a man fear, above all, me, his God, and so much the gentler will he become toward my creatures and animals, on whom, on account of me, their Creator, he ought to have compassion.”

*St. Bridget of Sweden (died 1373),  
Visionary, Foundress, Feast Day July 23*



## Readings *Week* of the

### Readings for the week of July 19, 2020

- Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16 [5a]/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30
- Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]/Mt 12:38-42
- Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8a]/Mt 12:46-50
- Wednesday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [2]/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
- Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11 [10a]/Mt 13:10-17
- Friday: Jer 3:14-17/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf. 10d]/Mt 13:18-23
- Saturday: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [5]/Mt 20:20-28
- Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 [97a]/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

## GUIDELINES FOR ATTENDANCE AT MASS

- ❖ Seating is limited to 162.
- ❖ Masks must be worn. Disposable masks are available.
- ❖ If you are feeling sick or have a higher than average risk of contracting the virus, please stay home. The obligation to attend Mass is still suspended.
- ❖ Maintain at least six feet of distance from other households. Socially distanced seating is marked with blue tape.
- ❖ Hand sanitizer is available at all entrances.
- ❖ The Utopia entrance is closed at this time.
- ❖ Ushers will assist in seating and dismissing parishioners.
- ❖ Prayer Intentions: No one is permitted to light candles at this time. If you would like a candle lit, please mark an envelope with your intention and drop it into the mail chute at the rectory or in the collection basket. Candles are \$2 each.

# ALUMNI NEWS

St. Thomas More Alumni are doing great things at Padua and beyond!

The Miss Bruin 2020 award went to  
**CHLOE AMOROSO.**



Unique to Padua's Athletic Department is the coveted Mr. and Miss Bruin awards. The Athletic Department and coaches select the seniors who most deserve the honor of the best athlete at Padua. The qualities on which the athletes are evaluated are their athletic skills, high school athletic achievements,

participation, coachability, sportsmanship, leadership, academics, and school involvement. She is a graduate of St. Thomas More School.

The departmental awards are presented to those seniors who have shown an interest and enthusiasm in a particular subject and have demonstrated excellent achievement in the following academic area: Studio Art.

**CONGRATULATIONS CHLOE!!!**

## ST. THOMAS MORE FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION UPDATES

We have finally been able to reschedule First Communion and Confirmation here at St. Thomas More. Confirmation will be celebrated on Tuesday, August 11th at 7PM with Abbot Gary Hoover. First Communion will take place on Saturday, August 22nd at 10AM. Both of these events are usually open to all parishioners, but we cannot allow that at this time. Families will receive information on how many members are allowed to attend. We will live stream both sacraments for all to see. Please keep all of our students and families in your prayers.

## THE FEST

The FEST, our Catholic Family FESTival, always has an amazing Kid's Area with faith-based crafts and activities. This year they can all be done from the comfort of your home. If you would like a CRAFT KIT, please go online today and register ([www.theFEST.us/kids](http://www.theFEST.us/kids)). You can pick up your kit in early August or for a small fee have it sent directly to your home. It's a great way to inspire and strengthen the faith and values of your children and grandchildren. For all details go to: [www.theFEST.us](http://www.theFEST.us).

## PARISH NEWS

- ❖ All Weekday Masses are still cancelled.
- ❖ The rectory is open but **NOT** to the public just yet. Please call us at 216-749-0414 or email us at [stmore@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stmore@sbcglobal.net) with any questions or concerns.
- ❖ Please call the emergency line at 440-843-2655 for an anointing or a funeral during closed hours.
- ❖ All parish meetings and programs (including Bingo) are cancelled.

Please visit our website ([stmparish.net](http://stmparish.net)) or our Facebook page for more information. You can also text stmore to 84576 for updates.

Bulletins can be accessed on our website, by signing up at Parishes Online or are available in a box at the front door of the rectory.

Offertory envelopes can be dropped off at the rectory or mailed in. You can also sign up for Faith Direct at [faith.direct/OH684](http://faith.direct/OH684).

# CHILDREN'S CORNER

 Read the Gospel and Color



### Sharing the Gospel

As God's child, you are the wheat in God's field. As you love and trust God more, your faith will grow. You will see others around you who love God, too. God will be happy to see you growing up in God's love. As you grow taller and stronger, you will also notice others around you who ignore or hate God. God will get rid of those weeds. Then he will bring you into heaven.

### Prayer

God, help my love and faith to grow strong.

### Something to Draw

Draw a picture of wheat and weeds.

### Mission for the Week

Help your parents in the garden. Watch how carefully weeds need to be pulled, so you don't pull up the good plants, too.

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## Puzzle

Find the matching shadow.

