

ST. THOMAS MORE

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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.

Parish Staff

Rev. Michael J. Feldtz
Administrator

Rev. James J. Vesely
Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Mr. Charles Zawadzki
Deacon

Frank Budziak
Pastoral Associate

Alex Ulle
Music Director

Lisa Carson
Parish Secretary

Terri Sozio
Religious Education

Jeff Stutzman
Youth Ministry

James Higgins
Melissa Wensing
Business Office

Mass Schedule

Masses of Obligation

Saturday - 4:30 p.m.
Sunday - 9 a.m. and 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.

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

Saturdays - 3 - 4 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.

St. Thomas More School

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

Jennifer Francis
Principal



SATURDAY, JULY 25 –

VIGIL

*4:30PM - Nickola Badza

SUNDAY, JULY 26 –

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00AM - People of the Parish

*11:00AM - Carol Loy

MONDAY, JULY 27 –

WEEKDAY

8:15AM - Living & Deceased of the Ritter & Naylor Families

TUESDAY, JULY 28 –

WEEKDAY

8:15AM - Lorraine Hangauer

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29 –

ST. MARTHA

8:15AM - Rose Snow (Living)

THURSDAY, JULY 30 –

ST. PETER CHRYSOLOGUS

8:15AM - Ann Marie Mascia

FRIDAY, JULY 31 –

ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

8:15AM - Robert & Loretta Marks

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1 –

ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI

8:15AM - Richard Minch

1:00PM - LoBue/O'Donnell Wedding

*4:30PM - Linda Yeager

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2 –

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00AM - Raymond Slimak

11:00AM - People of the Parish

*Mass of Remembrance

Financial Blessings

July 5th:

Maintenance.....\$3,012.00

Votives.....\$66.00

July 12th totals will be in next week's bulletin.

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

WEEKLY CONTENT GUIDE

First Reading:

“Give your servant, therefore, an understanding heart to judge your people and to distinguish right from wrong.” (1 Kgs 3:9a)

Psalm:

Lord, I love your commands. (Ps 119)

Second Reading:

We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. (Rom 8:28)

Gospel:

“The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.” (Mt 13:44)

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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...

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
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:

Janelle Zingale.

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.**

**GOD
DELIGHTS
IN YOU**

Marriage & Banns

III - 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

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE: 216-749-2323

Pierogifest Raffle 2020 - Even though there will not be a Pierogifest this summer, there will still be a raffle. The main drawing is Saturday, August 8th. Tickets can be picked up at the parish office. Donations for tickets is \$5. First Prize: \$3,000, Second Prize: \$1,500 and Third Prize: \$500.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO: 440-884-3030

Summer 2020 Grand Raffle - Tickets are available at the parish office for the Summer 2020 Grand Raffle. Tickets are \$5. Grand Prize: 2020 GMC Terrain, 2nd Prize: \$4,500 New Roof and 3rd Prize: \$3,500. Grand Drawing is Sunday, August 16th.

ST. LEO THE GREAT: 216-661-1006

Great Sweepstakes - Forms are available to sign up for the Great Sweepstakes Weekly Drawing on the website (www.leothegreat.org). Or you can call the office and they will sign you up.



Readings *of the* Week ©LPI

Readings for the week of July 26, 2020

- 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
- Monday: Jer 13:1-11/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21 [cf. 18a]/Mt 13:31-35
- Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [9]/Mt 13:36-43
- Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11 [2]/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
- Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab [5a]/Mt 13:47-53
- Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14 [14c]/Mt 13:54-58
- Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34 [14c]/Mt 14:1-12
- Next Sunday: Is 55:1-3/Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]/Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21

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.

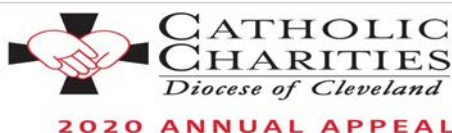
“Be slow to speak, and only after having first listened quietly, so that you may understand the meaning, leanings, and wishes of those who do speak. Thus you will better know when to speak and when to be silent.”

*St. Ignatius (1491-1556),
Jesuit, Patron of Soldiers, Educators,
Feast Day July 31st*

THE FEST



The FEST loves moms. Every year thousand of moms get to visit the Marc’s Mom’s Relaxation Station at The FEST. While this year will be different, moms can still win GREAT gift baskets thanks to our friends at Marc’s, as well as visit the Marc’s Mom’s Relaxation Station online at TheFEST@Home. Go online today to register for amazing prizes, your Marc’s Mom’s Gift Bag, along with great presentations and reflections that you will find on FEST day. Check it all out at: www.theFEST.us/moms.



Thank You! Your support of the Annual Appeal has made a difference,

especially as the needs of our communities continue to grow during COVID-19. Because of your generosity, people who are hungry and homeless, addicted and struggling, lonely, sick and hurting will have the services available to assist them during the pandemic and have hope for the future. You can find stories of hope and faith when you visit www.CatholicCommunity.org/COVIDVideo. As of June 30th, a total of 38,309 faithful donors from across the Diocese have pledged more than \$11.9 million towards the Annual Appeal goal of \$13.5 million.

Here at St. Thomas More, 150 parishioners have pledged \$22,025 toward our parish goal of \$23,938. That is 92.01% of our overall goal! Your financial support makes a difference and transforms lives. Thank you on behalf of those served by Catholic Charities.

If you have not yet made your gift, contact Karen Joyce at 216-696-6525 x1910 to give by phone or make a secure online gift at www.CatholicCommunity.org/donate.

Please note that the Annual Appeal Team will be conducting a summer Phonathon through August.

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 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) 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.



Read the Gospel and Color



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CHILDREN'S CORNER

Sharing the Gospel

Your toys can break. Your books can tear. Your clothes can shrink and stain. Things don't last forever. The kingdom of heaven does last forever. It is like a treasure. Heaven is worth more than anything you own. In both stories, the person who found the treasure sold everything else just to be a part of God's kingdom.

Prayer

God, help me to love your kingdom more than the things I have.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself finding a buried treasure.

Mission for the Week

Put God's kingdom first. Read a Bible story every morning.

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Puzzle

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

KINGDOM
HEAVEN
TREASURE

HIDDEN
FIELD
FOUND

PEARLS
SOLD
BOUGHT

T	N	F	H	D	E	O	K	M	I	O
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