

Growth Through Commitment in Christ



Church of ST. THOMAS MORE

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Mass Schedule

SUNDAY LITURGY

Saturday: 4:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 & 10:00 am, 12:00 Noon

WEEKDAY LITURGY

Monday through Thursday 8:30 am
Friday 9:00 am

HOLY DAYS

8:30 am, 12:15 pm, 7:30 pm
(except Christmas & New Year)

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:00 – 3:40 pm and by appointment

Office Information

Parish Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:30 am – 4:30 pm
Sunday (Sept. thru May) 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Closed Saturday and Holy Days

PARISH OFFICE 752-2080

PARISH STAFF

Fr. William C. Wagner, Pastor	753-2553
Deacon Michael Thomas	753-2549
Deacon John Convery	753-2568
Deacon Fred Haas	753-2569
DRE, Becky Ready	753-2548
Business Manager, Mike Gemzell	753-2543
Secretaries: Donna Budheit	753-2541
Kate Roelker	753-2550
Gym/Multi-Purpose Building	753-2555
Maintenance: John Osterling	753-2544
Dave McCarthy	752-2080 Ext. 134
Music Director, Margaret Osinski	753-2546
Parish Hall/Kitchen, Vickie Ditchen	753-2558
Prayer Requests	752-2080 Ext. 133
Sacristy	753-2556
St. Vincent de Paul	753-2561
Youth Minister, Diane Brennan	753-2551
PARISH OFFICE FAX	753-2542
FINANCE OFFICE FAX	753-2552
SCHOOL OFFICE	753-2540
SCHOOL OFFICE FAX	753-2554
Principal, Peg Fischer	753-2540
School Office, Dee Archer	753-2540
Administrative Asst., Rhonda Roberts	753-2540

PSR (Parish School of Religion):

Religious education for public school students. Classes held on Sundays – Nursery 10-11:00 am; Pre-School 10-11 am; Grades 1-8 8:30-9:45 am; Youth Ministry 6-8 pm. Call 753-2550 for more information and to register.

Want to be Catholic? Call Becky Ready, DRE at 753-2548 to find out about RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults/Youth).

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: 753-2550
Marriage: Call Deacon John Convery 753-2568
6 months prior to wedding date
Anointing of the Sick: 753-2553
Communion to the Sick: 753-2549

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Friday by Noon (9 Days Prior)
Submit to Kate Roelker at kroelker@sttm.org.

We warmly welcome new members to our parish family. Please call the Parish Office or register online at www.sttm.org. If leaving the parish or moving, please notify the Parish Office of your change of address.

OUR Mission

"We at St. Thomas More are a family of Christians led by the Holy Spirit in communion with the Roman Catholic Church. We dedicate ourselves to living the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ. We devote ourselves to sharing our faith, strengthening family bonds, and growing in love. We commit ourselves to each other through prayer and action."

THE Week AHEAD

Monday, March 31

7:00 pm STMEC - Library
7:00 pm SVDP - Fr. Wack Library

Tuesday, April 1

11:30 am Chancellor's Club Luncheon - Olive Garden, Cherry Grove
7:00 pm Social Action - Library
7:00 pm Zumba - Fr. Heider Hall

Wednesday, April 2

9:30 am Bible Study - Faith Formation Room
1:30 pm Book Club - Faith Formation Room
3:00 pm Martial Arts - Gym
7:30 pm Evening Bible Study - Conference Room C

Thursday, April 3

7:00 pm Elizabeth Ministry - Faith Formation Room
7:30 pm Men's Club - More Martyr Hall

Friday, April 4

NO ADORATION
9:00 am School Mass - Church
1:00 pm Jesse Manibusan - Church

Saturday, April 5

7:00 am Answer the Call - More Martyr Hall
9:00 am Clean Church
3:00 pm Confessions

Sunday, April 6

8:30 am PSR Grades 1-8
9:30 am Sunday Child Care – Kindergarten Room
10:00 am PSR Pre-School – Fr. Heider Hall
10:00 am Children's Liturgy – Library
11:00 am RCIA Mystagogy - Faith Formation Room
6:00 pm Youth Ministry

FAMILY TALK – 2nd Sunday of Easter

GOSPEL FOCUS: (John 20:19-31) Unlike the unbelieving Thomas, we must have faith in the risen Jesus and His Word, without physical proof.

REFLECTION: It is through faith that we grow as Christians.

AT HOME FOR DISCUSSION: What things or events make it easier to have faith today? What makes it more difficult?



REJOICE!!!

Prayer Intentions

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Those who have died. Those who are ill or have asked for our prayers: Donald Blom, Mary Dodson, Joyce Dahlheimer, Henry D'Andrea, Paul Fritsch, Betty Fritsch, Peggy Payer, Uldean Cieri, Mary Rettig, Lucille Wenstrup, Megan Cash, Rose Marie Ogle, David Habig Sr., Romilda McCarty, Lois Ritter, Diane Knause, Rhea Cermak, Robert Fischer, Angela Cookson, Dolores McKinney, Christopher Kosciuk, Deacon Fred Haas, Thelma Leone, Dorothy Klein, Connie Dufresne and Tex Meranda. **Those who are serving in the Armed Forces:** Michael Hucker Jr., Dale Manning, Derek Archer, Aaron Muldoon, Jonathon Stewart, Corey Campbell, Nick Braun and Adam Wenstrup.



Banns of Marriage

 **BANNS II:** Eric Wooten and Elizabeth Spitzig
April 12, 2008 

Youth Ministry

ROC Youth Meetings: No meeting March 30, due to Easter Vacation. April 6, 13, 20 & 27 will be our regular ROC meetings.

- ❖ Join us to help run the car wash at Sam's Club on April 5. Volunteers are still needed for all shifts!
- ❖ Sewing Ministry will meet on April 17 from 6-8pm in MMH. All are welcome and more hands are needed!
- ❖ Rosarymakers will meet on April 18 from 6-8pm in MMH. All ages are invited.
- ❖ Please pray for our STM school eighth graders as they head off to Washington DC this month. You have all helped make this trip a reality!

CROP 'TIL YOU DROP: fundraising scrapbook event will be on Saturday, April 19, from 9am-3pm. The last day to pre-register is 4/4/08 at the following prices; youth are \$15.00 and adults are \$20.00. All guests will be \$25.00 at the door.

JulyFest



JULYFEST 2008: With Spring just around the corner, it is time to think of the great fun of volunteering at JulyFest 2008 (July 11-13). We'll need 500+ volunteers for a successful festival and until www.julyfest.com is active sometime in April, you can register at 752-2080 ext. 302. Please leave your name, phone number, and email address. JulyFest's Volunteer Chair, **Gwen Farwick**, works on this in the evening, so phone calls are made only on weekends. Emails are the preferred communication where possible. You may also contact Gwen at STMJulyFestVolunteerChair@fuse.net. Watch here for more information as the website becomes active for online registry.

PLEASE!!

Be sure to pick up your JulyFest Raffle tickets. You can find them in the Church Vestibule.

Readings for: April 6th – 3rd Sunday of Easter (A)

First Reading: Acts 2:14, 22-33
Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-21
Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

Faith Formation

UPCOMING DATES:

April 15 – Confirmation Session #4
April 16 – Mom's Monthly
April 26 – First Communion Retreat
April 27 – Catechist End of the Year Brunch

IT'S TIME TO REGISTER CHILDREN FOR OUR PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR): Jesus formed his disciples by making known to them the various dimensions of the Kingdom of God. That in essence, is the mission of all catechesis: the formation of disciples of Jesus Christ. Faith must be known, celebrated, lived and expressed. Children involved in our PSR program receive knowledge of the faith, experience the liturgy and sacraments. It is our hope that you will register your children for PSR so that they can grow in their relationship with Christ and our Church. **We are asking that all registrations be completed by Sunday, April 27th.** This is crucial in order for us to plan for adequate materials and teachers in the fall. Forms can be found in the back of church and online at www.sttm.org. If you have any questions, call Becky at 753-2548 or Kate at 753-2550.

CONFIRMATION PREP SESSION #4: On Tuesday, April 15, our confirmation candidates will be reflecting on the role of the Holy Spirit in the growth of their conscience, the call to be reconcilers and how the Eucharist changes us. Pray that they may be strengthened to become a sign and witness of God's presence and love to all they meet.

FIRST COMMUNION RETREAT: On Saturday, April 26, we will be having our First Communion Retreat! Your child's First Communion is a step into new intimacy with the Lord. From Baptism, your child has been one with Jesus, filled with his indestructible life. Eucharist marks a new stage in the relationship with Christ that will unfold over a lifetime. As we prepare for our retreat day, reflect on what you hope the Eucharist will nourish in your child. Please plan on being in the parish dining hall by 8:30 am. We have five exciting stations for parent and child to experience, followed by a wonderful lunch and concluding with a talk from Fr. Bill. We look forward to sharing this unique day with you.

Parish Events

STM DAY AT SAM'S CLUB - Please join us at Sam's Eastgate on Saturday, April 5. It is St. Thomas More Day! Some of our organizations will be washing cars, grilling, and selling cookbooks during the day. Sam's matches our earnings up to \$1,000. So, the more we sell, the more we make. Please stop by and support our Youth Ministry, Scouts, Boosters, and Elizabeth Ministry!

SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMISSION: will meet in the school library on Tuesday, April 1, to plan a meal to feed the seventeen homeless individuals at the Clermont County Shelter on Tuesday, April 8. Please join us if you would like to participate in this ministry.

JESSE MANIBUSAN: will have a special performance here, at St. Thomas More, on April 4 at 1pm, in the Church. Jesse is an internationally and world renowned Catholic performer who is published in the Glory and Praise hymnals. He will have CD's available for sale and is excited to come to our parish to meet our youth. Come join us; you will not be sorry! A free will offering will be taken. For more information, go to www.spiritandsong.com.

NO ADORATION ON FRIDAY, APRIL 4, DUE TO THE JESSE MANIBUSAN PERFORMANCE.

Parish Stewardship

	Actual	Budget
March 23, 2008:	\$21,554.91	\$22,000.00
YTD:	\$604,376.27	\$595,500.00
YTD Collection <i>Over Budget:</i>		\$8,476.27
789 Envelopes Returned Sunday March 30:		\$19,772.10
Loose Change March 30:		\$1,782.81

OTHER COLLECTION:

Easter Flowers	\$1,616.00
Good Friday	\$677.70

Outstanding Debt:	\$993,216.69
Unpaid Interest on Debt:	\$511,116.66
Total Due Archdiocese:	<u>\$1,504,333.35</u>

EXPENSES:

Payroll & Taxes Paid 3/31/08:	\$43,583.79
Notable Expenses Paid 3/22/08:	\$19,616.12
Duke Energy	\$6,522.23
School Marketing	\$1,246.11
Maintenance	\$3,664.10

REMEMBER ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH IN YOUR WILL!

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, April 5

4:00 pm **Lectors** – Mary Verdin, Larry Bush
Eucharistic Ministers – Deacon, Michelle Emerling, Rose Fitzgerald, Theresa Bradley, Duane Bradley, Jenny Barnes, Donald Weber, Chris Bell
Servers – Justin Farwick, Brian Roberts, Emily Osterling, Danielle Piening, Tedra Bush
Greeters – Hannah Schoolfield, Jerry Edwards, Char Schworer
Ushers – Jerry Barnes, Gene Johnson, Don Tate

Sunday, April 6

8:00 am **Lectors** – Nelson Seip, Diane Meisman
Eucharistic Ministers – Deacon, Genevieve Ivers, Sam Ivers, Mary Opp, Gregory Senior, Kathy Senior, Thomas Brannen, William Fehn
Servers – Jeff Casavant, Paul Conrady, Peter Conrady, Caroline Dugan, Sarah McGrath
Greeters – Helen Fehn, Steve Friebele, Nancy Guertin
Ushers – Paul Guertin, Joe Guertin, Bill Imbus, George Hoffman

10:00 am **Lectors** – Lisa Hartman, Dan Casnellie
Eucharistic Ministers – Kathleen Hornschemeier, Cindy Robinson, Patricia Lindsey, Penny Barton, Miranda Burgess, Karen Klysz, Garry Burke, Lori Casnellie
Servers – David Kiefer, David Fehn, Benjamin Gallivan, Tanner Cardone, Sarah Bouley
Greeters – Laurie Bagley, Rob Pairan, Frankie Hartman
Ushers – Joe Thumann, Joanne Buchanan, Lee Knause, Lynn Austin

12:00 pm **Lectors** – Doreen Noble, Ann Tekulve
Eucharistic Ministers – Paul Brandt, Melissa Beverly, Chaelon Brennan, Richard Schuler, Nick Schneider, Robyn Yates, Mary Brock, Jim O'Donnell
Servers – Nicholas Rutherford, Tyler Vickers, Taylor Cunningham, Katie Feldkamp, Anthony Luster
Greeters – Darline Foltz, Dee Archer, Maureen Crowley
Ushers – Frank Brunet, Charlie Tekulve, Gary Lambert

Mass Intentions

MON. 3/31

8:30 am Communion Service

TUES. 4/1

8:30 am † Katie Barton/Bill & Ruthann Carroll

WED. 4/2

8:30 am † Lou Grieco/Mary Lou & Denny Mulvey

THUR. 4/3

8:30 am † Robert Handleton/ Catin Handleton

FRI. 4/4

9:00 am † Poor Souls in Purgatory/Purgatorial Society

SAT. 4/5

4:00 pm † Joseph Chirco/Helen Chirco

SUN. 4/6

8:00 am People of the Parish

10:00 am † Rachael & Grace Casavant/Greg & Kim Steinmetz & Family

12:00 pm † Jean Taylor/Rose Ann Lasita

† = Deceased

St. Vincent de Paul Society

ST. THOMAS MORE HOUSE: We have recently completed major renovations to the St. Thomas More house. To complete the project, we are in need of the following items:

- ✓ Kitchen table for small space, maximum length, four feet with a width of 3 feet – four chairs


If you can donate any of these items, please call the SVDP line 753-2561, leave a message and someone from SVDP will contact you. Once again, many thanks for your continued support of our ministry. **May God Bless!!**


Parish Information

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL: If you have not already done so, please consider donating to the Catholic Ministries Appeal (formerly the Archdiocese Fund Drive). Our goal is \$24,500. You can donate directly to the fund drive electronically. Thank you!

ELECTRONIC GIVING: Nearly 20% of our households are now contributing to the parish electronically. Many have been doing so since 2002! If you wish to start, raise or change your monthly or weekly amount, just call the Finance Office at 753-2543 or send an email authorizing your changes to mgennett@sttm.org.

SECOND COLLECTION: March 30, is the fifth Sunday of the month and the second collection will be for the works of our **SVDP** Society. Please be generous, as our requests for assistance remain high. **May God bless you all!!**

 **THE CHANCELLOR'S CLUB:** will be meeting on Tuesday, April 1, at 11:30 am for lunch at Olive Garden located in Cherry Grove. Please call the parish office at 753-2541 to let us know you are coming.

 **BAPTISMAL PREP CLASS:** If you are anticipating having your child initiated into our Catholic community through the Sacrament of Baptism, you will need to have participated in a baptismal preparation program. Our next scheduled baptismal preparation class will be held on Sunday, April 13, at 11:00 am in Class Room 7. Please call the parish office to register – 753-2550.