

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 Gennett	753-2543
Secretaries: Donna Buchheit	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, Terry V. Wenninger	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, May 5

4:30 pm SEM - Conference Room C
6:30 pm Booster General Meeting - Picnic Shelter

Tuesday, May 6

11:30 am Chancellor's Club Luncheon - O'Charley's in Eastgate
5:30 pm 1st Communion Pictures - Church
6:45 pm May Crowning - Church
7:00 pm Men's CRHP - Library
8:00 pm Choir - Church

Wednesday, May 7

9:30 am Bible Study - Faith Formation Room
1:30 pm Book Club - Faith Formation Room
7:00 pm Contemporary Group - Church
7:30 pm **CONFIRMATION - CATHEDRAL**

Friday, May 9

9:00 am School Mass
10:00 am Adoration

Saturday, May 10

9:00 am Clean Church
3:00 pm Confessions
6:00 pm **K of C SPAGHETTI DINNER - Parish Dining Hall**

Sunday, May 11

11:00 am RCIA Mystagogy - Faith Formation Room
11:00 am Baptismal Prep Class - Conference Room B
6:00 pm Youth Ministry - More Martyr Hall

MOTHER'S DAY

FAMILY TALK – Ascension of the Lord

GOSPEL FOCUS: (Matthew 28:16-20) Ascending into heaven, Jesus entrusts his disciples and us with his message.

REFLECTION: "Hearts lifted in the Eucharist signify our own ascension," says St. Augustine.

AT HOME FOR DISCUSSION: How do we know that we will not be abandoned in our life's mission? Who is always with us?

Prayer Intentions

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Those who have died Mildred Walker. 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, Bud Pangburn, Connie Dufresne, Robin Vestring, David Saliceti 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, Michael Nazarovch, Randy Damron and Adam Wenstrup.



Youth Ministry

ROC Youth Meeting: May 4, will be the next ROC meeting.

CONGRATULATIONS!!! To the following STM School graduates who made **THIRD QUARTER – FIRST HONORS** at St. Xavier High school: Michael Harrington, Christopher Howitt, Harrison Lott, Nicholas Schneider and Gregory Kelly who made **THIRD QUARTER – SECOND HONORS**.



Miscellaneous



THIRSTING FOR MORE? "Theology on Tap" gives you straight talk, hard facts and real answers! On Thursday nights, drinks at 7:00 pm and 7:30–9:00 pm, guest speakers and questions. Tickets Sports Café, 100 W. 6th Street in Covington – across from Mother of God Church – ample parking at the church – May 8, **A Panel Discussion** – Mission Possible: Meet Your Local Missionaries.

ATHENAEUM OF OHIO/MOUNT ST. MARY'S SEMINARY: is offering two courses in Catholic spirituality this summer. B 450 Tapping the Riches of Biblical Spirituality will be taught Jun 9 – 12 by Fr. Tim Schehr, Fr. Rob Jack, Instructor of Systematic Theology at the Athenaeum. These are three quarter credit graduate courses that can be taken for credit or audit. Each course meets 9:00 am – noon and 1:00 – 4:00 pm, Monday – Thursday. More information about these courses can be found on the Athenaeum web page www.athenaeum.edu or obtained from the Registrar's Office 513-231-2223.

ST. VERONICA: 4th Annual Craft Show & Apple Butter Festival, Saturday, November 8, 2008, is looking for Crafters. If interested, please call 528-5401 or 652-0171 for more information.



SOUTHEASTERN ECUMENICAL MINISTRY: SEM will hold its May Meeting on Monday, May 5, at 4:30 pm in Conference Room C at St. Thomas More. Everyone is welcome to attend this meeting. For more information, call Jodi Bridges at 752-6569.

CATHOLIC ALUMNI SINGLES CLUB: is welcoming new members. For more info, contact Bill at 513-539-9525 or Andi at 513-821-2440 or log on www.caci.org.

Readings for: May 11 – Pentecost (A)
First Reading: Acts 2:1-11
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13
Gospel: John 20:19-23

Faith Formation

UPCOMING DATES:

May 6 – First Communion photos and May Crowning

May 7 – Confirmation Celebration at Cathedral

May 13 – First Communion Rehearsals and Ice Cream Sundaes

May 18 – First Communion Masses, 10 and 12

IT'S TIME TO REGISTER CHILDREN FOR OUR PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR): We are asking that all registrations be completed by Sunday, May 4. It is very important to fill out ALL the forms. 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.

MAY CROWNING: Our parish's Elizabeth Ministry invites all, with a special invitation to all expectant Mothers, to our annual May Crowning Celebration, this Tuesday evening, in church, May 6, at 6:45 pm. We welcome in a special way all our First Communicant's and our Confirmandi, who will lead us in the celebration of a Living Rosary. The service will conclude with Evening prayer, crowning of the Statue of our Blessed Mother and the Blessing of Expectant Mothers. For more information, contact Maria Pour (943-7263) or e-mail us at breedy@sttm.org.



POPE BENEDICT XVI'S VISIT TO AMERICA: What a blessing to have had our Holy Father in America for six straight days. He shared many messages of hope, faith and love as he traveled to various places in Washington DC and also New York. If you would like to read more about the events he attended and download his talks, go to our website at <http://www.sttm.org/adultfaith.htm>, click on "The Holy Father's Visit to the US".

FIRST COMMUNION PHOTOS: All first communicants are invited to have their individual pictures taken between 5:30 and 6:30 pm in front of the grotto at St. Thomas More on Tuesday, May 6. Our group picture will be taken at 6:30 pm on the steps of the church entrance. Immediately following the group picture, we will assemble inside the church for the celebration of the Living Rosary.

LAST DAY OF PSR: This is the last day of PSR before the beginning of summer break. It is also the last day for Sunday Child Care as well as Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 10 am mass. We honor your commitment in helping our children at STM grow in their faith. They are the future of the church. We pray that throughout this summer you will keep open the life-changing door to Christ.

Parish Information

CONGRATULATIONS: to **William Kling** and **Max Bartel** who submitted the winning T-shirt design for **JulyFest**. The boys will each receive a \$25 gift card of their choice. Runners up were: **Emily Rivard, Megan Desrosiers, Kiersten Scales, Catherine Adams** and **Garrett Guthrie** (PSR). Thanks you to all of the students both school and PSR who participated in the contest; there were many wonderful designs and it was a very difficult choice to make. The winning design will appear on the **JulyFest** volunteer T-shirts.

WE NEED YOUR HELP: Due to the deadlines set by Diocesan Publications for the bulletin, any changes to the Minister schedule need to be in to Donna Buchheit by the 15th of the prior month of the change. Donna can be reached either by phone, 753-2541 or email dbuchheit@sttm.org. Please remember that if you are unable to fulfill your assigned time, it is your responsibility to find a substitute or replacement. Your cooperation is appreciated!

Parish Stewardship

	Actual	Budget
April 27, 2008:	\$12,838.80	\$13,000.00
YTD:	\$675,863.07	\$666,600.00
YTD Collection <i>Over Budget:</i>		\$9,263.07
427 Envelopes Returned Sunday April 27:		\$11,922.01
Loose Change April 27:		\$916.79
OTHER COLLECTION:		
Outstanding Debt:	\$986,550.02	
Unpaid Interest on Debt:	\$509,450.00	
Total Due Archdiocese:	<u>\$1,496,000.02</u>	
EXPENSES:		
Payroll & Taxes Paid 4/30/08		\$44,213.89
Notable Expenses Paid 4/26/08:		\$9,623.85
Contract Teachers		\$2,696.00

REMEMBER ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH IN YOUR WILL!

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, May 10

4:00 pm **Lectors** – Larry Bush, Ginny Rottinghaus
Eucharistic Ministers – Deacon, Michelle Emerling, Donald Weber, Jane Pearce, Dennis Lahey, Lisa Miller, Duane Bradley, Theresa Bradley
Servers – Katherine Kelly, Nicole Piening, Danielle Piening, Heather Denison, Emily Osterling
Greeters – Jane Pearce, Emily Bradley, Hannah Schoolfield
Ushers – Jerry Barnes, Gene Johnson, Don Tate

Sunday, May 11

8:00 am **Lectors** – Nancy Bokenkotter, Janelle Jessie
Eucharistic Ministers – Deacon, Sam Ivers, Genevieve Ivers, William Fehn, Patricia Tussey, Barbara Comello, Tony Ramundo, Pat Ramundo
Servers – Daniel Schoettelkotte, Joe Schoettelkotte, Justin Farwick, Peter Conrady, Haley Stultz
Greeters – Helen Fehn, Steve Friebele, Nancy Guertin
Ushers – Paul Guertin, Joe Guertin, Bob Guenther, George Hoffman

10:00 am **Lectors** – Charles Randolph, Eva Grachek
Eucharistic Ministers – Estelle Wolfe, Miranda Burgess, Tammy Schneider, Larry Robben, Ray Neltner, Tim McGrath, James Smith, Julie Smith
Servers – Bret Blaha, Leah Bartel, Travis Gallivan, Tanner Cardone, Jeff Casavant
Greeters – Staderman Family
Ushers – Joe Thumann, Joanne Buchanan, Mike Hicks, David Wynn

12:00 pm **Lectors** – Doreen Noble, Ann Tekulve
Eucharistic Ministers – Melissa Kellerman, Karen Trautmann, Jacqueline Moore, Melissa Beverly, Chaelon Brennan, Gloria Saliceti, Robyn Yates, Carol Woerner
Servers – Jimmy Lindsey, Kiley Palmer, Becky Kellerman, Michael Mink, Ryan Winkler
Greeters – Rosemary Weimer, Bill Weimer, Julie Kiefer
Ushers – Frank Brunet, Charlie Tekulve, Gary Lambert

**NO EVENING BIBLE STUDY,
WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, DUE TO
CONFIRMATION.**



Mass Intentions

MON. 5/5	
8:30 am	Communion Service
TUES. 5/6	
8:30 am	† Lillian Gosney/Catin Handleton
WED. 5/7	
8:30 am	† Maude Jump/Lou & Darlene Grieco & Family
THUR. 5/8	
8:30 am	† Joseph Chirco/Helen Chirco
FRI. 5/9	
9:00 am	† Howard Diemler/Jean & Joe Doogan
SAT. 5/10	
4:00 pm	† Ralph Bedel/Patricia Fieno
SUN. 5/11	
8:00 am	Bernice Wilmers/George & Doris Steinmetz
10:00 am	† Rachel Casavant/Sylvia Guthrie
12:00 pm	People of the Parish

† = Deceased

Parish Events



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, May 11, at 11:00 am in Conference Room B. Please call the parish office to register – 753-2550.

SPAGHETTI DINNER: Saturday, May 10, 2008, St. Thomas More Parish Dining Hall – Sponsored by Knights of Columbus, MSGR Gerdes Council 3123 – to benefit “Right to Life”. Doors open at 5:00 pm, serving begins at 6:00 pm (carry out available). Dinners include: spaghetti, meatballs, salad, bread, beverage and dessert. Cost is \$5.00 for children (12 years and under), \$10.00 for adults and \$25.00 for a family. Guest speaker will be, Gary Anderson, Pro Life Director for the State of Ohio K of C.



SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMISSION: is asking for help in cooking hot meals for 20 people at the **Clermont County Homeless Shelter**, the first Tuesday of every month. They are in need of meat dishes, casseroles, vegetable dishes, salads, desserts, drinks, etc. The next meal will be on **Tuesday, May 6**. All donations are to be dropped off by 4:00 pm at St. Thomas More west side parking lot. **If you can help, please contact Charlene at 752-0134.**



THE CHANCELLOR’S CLUB: will be meeting on May 6, at 11:30 am for lunch at O’Charley’s in Eastgate. Please call the parish office at 753-2541 to let us know you are coming.

PLAYGROUND PHASE 2: is completed! We would like to acknowledge and thank **Lori Knight** for all her efforts in obtaining the new playground for St. Thomas More Parish. We would also like to thank **Ken Schmithorst**, of **Walnut Grove Playgrounds** for the donation of his crew to finish the work on phase 2 last Friday. A big thank you to **all the volunteers** involved in both phases; especially **Jim Rivard** and **Kevin Mulloney**, for their help in the completion of phase 2.

