

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 12

7:30 pm SVDP - Fr. Wack Library

Tuesday, May 13

6:00 pm 1st Communion Rehearsal - Church (10 am Mass)

7:00 pm 1st Communion Rehearsal - Church (12 pm Mass)

6:45 pm Ice Cream Social - Parish Dining Hall

7:30 pm Choir - Library

Wednesday, May 14

9:30 am Bible Study - Faith Formation Room

1:30 pm Book Club - Faith Formation Room

7:00 pm Market Day Pick UP - Parish Dining Hall

7:00 pm Contemporary Group - Church

7:30 pm Evening Bible Study - Conference Room C

Thursday, May 15

6:00 pm Sewing Ministry - More Martyr Hall

Friday, May 16

9:00 am School Mass

10:00 am Adoration

6:00 pm Rosary Makers - More Martyr Hall

Saturday, May 17

7:00 am Answer the Call - More Martyr Hall

9:00 am Clean Church

3:00 pm Confessions

7:00 pm Jr. High Dance - Parish Dining Hall

Sunday, May 18

10:00 am **First Communion Mass - Church**

12:00 am **First Communion Mass - Church**

6:00 pm Youth Ministry - More Martyr Hall

FAMILY TALK – Pentecost Sunday

GOSPEL FOCUS: (John 20:19-23) We receive the Holy Spirit.

REFLECTION: Pentecost is the celebration of gifts.

AT HOME FOR DISCUSSION: Of the seven gifts of the Spirit, which are most evident in your family?

Prayer Intentions

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Those who have died William Haag, Margaret McCabe and Neil Kamphaus. **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, Marie Bolger 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 Nazarovech, Randy Damron and Adam Wenstrup.



THANK YOU!!

The **Walk MORE Committee** and the **PTO Board** extend a very heartfelt thank you to all who made Walk M.O.R.E.'s pilot year the success that it was, including our corporate sponsors, Kraft Food, Kroger's, Fuze drinks, Fleet Feet (runner's tags), and First Watch restaurant, as well as our many parents who donated fresh fruit, water and healthy drinks and snacks. We also enjoyed another beautiful spring day!

We had a core group of Committee members and many volunteers who showed up the day of Walk More who made the event possible. Success is due to the efforts of each and every one of you! Thanks to all who stood guard, manned stations, cut fruit, poured drinks, timed pulses, took pictures etc - please plan to be a part of next year's expanded program as we put MORE into Walk M.O.R.E.!

Finally, we want to show appreciation to everyone for their participation in Walk M.O.R.E.'s fundraising efforts. Once a year, we make a concerted effort to raise a substantial amount of money to provide for our school. Walk M.O.R.E. is that event now. We had participation of over 80% of those in school helping to raise the pending gross as of today \$8781! If you wonder what this money can do for a school, check out Phase II of the new Playground that was installed last Friday!

Thanks again for your generous support - it is our St. Thomas More, fantastic family community that made this possible with help from our corporate sponsors!



"We are very grateful to the Bereavement Committee at St. Thomas More Church for preparing, donating and serving the luncheon following the recent funeral of Robert Siepelt; a fellow parishioner of 54 years. His family appreciates the generosity and kindness shown them during this trying time and hopes to be able to repay the kindness in the future."

Gratefully,

The family of Robert Siepelt

Readings for: May 18 – Most Holy Trinity (A)
First Reading: Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9
Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13
Gospel: John 3:16-18

Faith Formation

UPCOMING DATES:

May 13 – First Communion Rehearsals and Ice Social

May 18 – First Communion Masses, 10 and 12

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR): *Registrations are now due.* Forms can be found in the back of church and online at www.sttm.org. It is very important to fill out **ALL** the forms completely. You can mail, fax (753-2542) to the parish office, or email kroelker@sttm.org the forms. If you have any questions, please call Becky at 753-2548 or Kate at 753-2550.



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 his visit, go to our website at www.sttm.org, click on "US Papal Visit".

FIRST COMMUNION REHEARSALS: On Tuesday, May 13, students will be practicing for the First Communion Masses. By 6:00 pm all the children and parents assigned to the 10:00 am First Communion Mass should be in the church. By 7:00 pm all the children and parents assigned to the noon First Communion Mass should be in church. Following each rehearsal session, children and parents are invited to the parish dining hall for an ice cream social. It is very important for you and your child to be in attendance for the rehearsal, so everyone will understand all the details necessary to make the First Communion a wonderful event.

Parish Information



JULYFEST 2008 (July 11-13). We'll need 500 + volunteers, for a successful festival and you can register at 752-2080 ext. 302. Please leave your name, phone number, and email address. JulyFest's Volunteer Chair, **Gwen Farwick**, makes phone calls only on weekends. Emails are the preferred communication where possible. For more information go to www.sttm.org and click on the JulyFest link. Watch here for more information concerning online registration.

Youth Ministry

ROC Youth Meeting: May 11, will be the next ROC meeting.

- Last call for high school youth to sign up for the **Atlanta Trip**, June 27-29 – for more info call the Youth Office.
- **Youth Office** does not close for summer – keep in touch via email or check bulletin to know what's going on.
- **Sewing Ministry** will meet thru the summer, on the third Thursday of each month.
- **Rosarymakers** will also meet in the summer – dates are 6/20, 7/19 and 8/15.
- **Summer Super 8** sign ups have begun – contact Youth Office for a form.
- **JulyFest** will again have a Youth Booth – see JulyFest article for volunteer sign up information.

BIBLE CAMP: We will again have two Bible Camps! The times and dates are: **Day Camp** August 4-8 from 9 am -12 pm call Mrs. Julie Beattie at 753-3073 for more information or to volunteer. **Family Night Camp** August 3-8 from 6-8 pm call Mrs. Pat Rieck at 752-1832 for more information or to volunteer. All adult volunteers will need to be fingerprinted and have attended a child protection class. Please contact the Youth Office to arrange for this certification.

Parish Stewardship

	Actual	Budget
May 4, 2008:	\$20,434.83	\$18,700.00
YTD:	\$696,297.90	\$685,300.00
YTD Collection <i>Over Budget:</i>		\$10,997.90
581 Envelopes Returned Sunday May 4:		\$19,667.37
Loose Change May 4:		\$767.46
OTHER COLLECTION:		
Debt Reduction		\$2,063.10
Vision 2000		\$1,106.50
Outstanding Debt:	\$979,883.35	
Unpaid Interest on Debt:	<u>\$507,783.34</u>	
Total Due Archdiocese:	<u>\$1,487,666.69</u>	
EXPENSES:		
Notable Expenses Paid 5/3/08:		\$21,218.71
Debt and Interest Payment		\$8,333.33
Natural Gas – Heating		\$5,490.48
Cincinnati Bell		\$812.27
Water and Sewer		\$568.43

REMEMBER ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH IN YOUR WILL!

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, May 17

4:00 pm **Lectors** – Mary Lou Mulvey, Janet Tate
Eucharistic Ministers – Deacon, Ginny Rottinghaus, Charles Rottinghaus, Larry Bush, Chris Bell, Jenny Barnes, Duane Bradley, Theresa Bradley
Servers – Joy Neltner, Amanda Bradley, Daniel Guerrette, Matt Mersman, Stacy Howell
Greeters – Sylvia Guthrie, Gail Convery, Emily Bradley
Ushers – Jerry Barnes, Gene Johnson, Don Tate

Sunday, May 18

8:00 am **Lectors** – Nelson Seip, Diane Meisman
Eucharistic Ministers – Deacon, Charlotte Molitor, Thomas Brannen, Patricia Rieck, Patti McMullen, Dianna Kennedy, Gregory Senior, Kathy Senior
Servers – Garrett Guthrie, Benjamin Schmidt, Christopher Feist, Sarah McGrath, Paul Conrady
Greeters – Helen Fehn, Steve Friebele, Nancy Guertin
Ushers – Paul Guertin, Joe Guertin, Bill Imbus, George Hoffman

10:00 am **Lectors** – Sam Geonetta, Connie Stricker
Eucharistic Ministers – Deacon, Cindy Robinson, Kathy Hornschemeier, Charlene Kiefer, Tom Kiefer, Patricia Lindsey, Julie Smith, James Smith
Servers – Caroline Dugan, Sean McNamara, Tatenda Mandizha, Kuzi Mandizha
Greeters – Molly O'Brien, John Wenk, Rob Pairan, Darline Foltz, David Kiefer, Charlene Kiefer
Ushers – Joe Thumann, Joanne Buchanan, Lee Knause, Lynn Austin

12:00 pm **Lectors** – Richard Schuler, Jacqueline Moore
Eucharistic Ministers – Deacon, Karen Trautmann, Patricia Tekulve, Jim O'Donnell, Mary Brock, Jeffrey Moore, Robyn Yates, Nick Schneider
Servers – Becky Kellerman, Brett Blaha, Peter Brandt, Megan Schaefer, Sarah Bouley, Jordan Ready
Greeters – Laurie Bagley, Maureen Crowley, Sydney Blaha, Maria Kling, Evan Pour, Caroline Pour
Ushers – Frank Brunet, Charlie Tekulve, Gary Lambert

Mass Intentions

MON. 5/12
8:30 am Communion Service

TUES. 5/13
8:30 am † Bernardino Fieno/Cheryl Tansky

WED. 5/14
8:30 am † Alice P. Barber-Abney/John Burke

THUR. 5/15
8:30 am † Poor Souls in Purgatory/Purgatorial Society

FRI. 5/16
9:00 am † Pete Tekulve/The Tekulve Family

SAT. 5/17
4:00 pm † Edmund Fritz/Alice Kolarek

SUN. 5/18
8:00 am † Margaret Buerk/John Burke
10:00 am People of the Parish
12:00 pm † John Braun/Rita Ross

† = Deceased

Miscellaneous



JAM FOR JUSTICE AT MCNICK - Think Globally, Act Locally - Join McNicholas High School as they *Jam for Justice*, on Saturday, May 17, 2008, from 7 p.m. – midnight in the McNicholas Courtyard! Sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul, *Jam for Justice* will center on the theme *Think Globally, Act Locally*. The entertainment features student bands Pongo's Army, Cut Stone, Echo, Wade Johnston & Luke Custer, Stuart's Rhino, Respectfully Sneaky, and Blackbox 240. Cost to attend is \$5, benefiting The Green Belt Movement and Imago. Hot dogs, drinks, and other snacks will be available for a small donation. Call 231-3500 for more information.

"A CALL TO JOY" - Australian author and inspirational speaker, Matthew Kelly will be in Liberty Township, at Mother Teresa Catholic Elementary School, speaking about "A Call to Joy" - based on his book **Perfectly Yourself**, on **Tuesday, May 13th at 7:00 PM**. During his presentation he will discuss the challenges and opportunities we experience in our quest to become the-best-version-of-ourselves by attending to needs in four areas: physical, emotional, intellectual and spiritual. To register to attend this **COMPLIMENTARY** event, visit www.mtces.org. To learn more about Matthew Kelly, visit his website at www.matthewkelly.org.



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Armed Forces Day is May 17. Please remember to keep our service men and women, and their families in your prayers!!



**HAPPY MOTHER'S
DAY TO ALL THE
MOMS AT ST.
THOMAS MORE!!!**

