

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 Friday 8:30 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, V.F., 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

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Principal, Peg Fischer 753-2540

School Office, Dee Areher 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.

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

Tuesday, March 31

6:30 pm	Zumba - Fr. Heider Hall
7:00 pm	Choir - Church
7:00 pm	STMEC - Library

Wednesday, April 1

9:30 am	Bible Study - Faith Formation Room
1:00 pm	Book Club - Faith Formation Room
7:00 pm	JulyFest Meeting - Library
7:00 pm	Employment Transition Group - More Martyr Hall
7:00 pm	Women's CRHP - Faith Formation Room
7:30 pm	Evening Bible Study - Conference Room C

Thursday, April 2

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

Friday, April 3

8:30 am	School Mass
10:00 am	Adoration
5:00 pm	Fish Fry - Parish Dining Hall
7:30 pm	Way of the Cross & Benediction - Church



Saturday, April 4

7:00 am	Answer the Call - More Martyr Hall
8:30 am	Clean the Church
3:00 pm	Confessions

Sunday, April 5

PALM SUNDAY

8:30 am	PSR Grades 1-8 - Fr. Heider Hall
9:45 am	Sunday Child Care – Kindergarten Room
10:00 am	Children's Liturgy - Library
10:00 am	Preschool PSR - Fr. Heider Hall
10:00 am	RCIA/RCIY - Faith Formation Room

FAMILY TALK - 5th Sunday in Lent

GOSPEL FOCUS: (John 12:20-33) The hour has come for the Son of man to be glorified.

REFLECTION: Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.

AT HOME FOR DISCUSSION: What steps are you taking to get rid of selfishness in your life?

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.

Prayer Intentions

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Those who have died Joan Feck and Henry D'Andrea. Those who are ill or have asked for our prayers: Donald Blom, Joyce Dahlheimer, 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, Linda Reed, Deacon Fred Haas, Thelma Leone, Dorothy Klein, Connie Dufresne, Rita Iding, Robin Vestring, Ann Indovina, Nick Uremovich, Nick Kellerman, Tex Meranda, Jerry Barnes, Janet Myrick, Jean Doogan, Courtney Langenbahn, Dorothy Brokamp, Dave Vogelgesang, Verna Burnet, Ray Conti, Jr., Mary Ferrell, Lou Polk, Eleanor Larssen, Ed Lorentz and Carol Huenig. Those who are serving in the Armed Forces: Michael Hucker Jr., Derek Archer, Aaron Muldoon, Corey Campbell, Danny Braun, Michael Nazarovech, Randy Damron, Adam Wenstrup, Keith Deardorff and Tom Brannen, who is serving in the Peace Corps.



Parish Information

JULYFEST JACKPOT: Don't forget to purchase your JulyFest Jackpot tickets. Tickets are \$20 each. To purchase tickets please call 752-2080 Ext. 124 or stop by the Parish Office.



FRIDAYS IN LENT: Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 8:30 am Mass, until 7:30 pm at which time we will pray the Stations of the Cross and close with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

BOY SCOUT FISH FRY: Join us every Friday during Lent (except Good Friday) for a Fish Fry, sponsored by our Boy Scout Troop #452. Dinner will be served from 5:00 - 7:00 pm in the Parish Dining Hall and will include fried or baked fish, bread, cheese pizza, or shrimp, with your choice of macaroni & cheese, green beans, French fries, cole slaw or salad, drink and dessert. Price is \$8 for adults and \$6 for children. Carry out is also available. After dinner, attend the Way of the Cross and Benediction at 7:30 p.m. in Church.



EASTER EGG HUNT: Easter eggs...colorful reminders of new life. Celebrate our new life in Christ at the annual Easter egg hunt on April 19, at 11:15 am at the picnic shelter. All families with children in 3rd grade or younger are invited to participate in this traditional event. Donations of LARGE eggs (for lollipops) and individually wrapped candy are appreciated and can be left in the box at the doors of church. Please call Sharon at 752-7186 to register or volunteer.



God calls us to share what we have to help others. Christ has set the example as the perfect Steward: "For the son of man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many." The Catholic Ministries Appeal is one way all of us can support the mission of Christ's Church in the 19 counties of our Archdiocese. Please be thankful, intentional, and prayerful as you make a pledge to this year's Appeal. You can pick up a pledge information packet with pledge form in the back of church. For more information please visit www.catholicappeal.info or call 513-421-3131.

Readings for: April 5 – Palm Sunday

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel: Mark 14:1-15, 47

Faith Formation

UPCOMING DATES:

April 11 – Easter Vigil

April 15 – Rosary Prayer Service

April 22 – Mom's Monthly

April 25 – First Communion Retreat

April 30 – Confirmation Rehearsal

WHAT ARE THE RCIA SCRUTINIES: The scrutinies are prayers imploring that the unbaptized will be liberated from the power of evil and freed by the power of Christ. Please pray for the Elect during this important series of rites leading up to their being baptized at the Easter Vigil.

INVITATION TO BOOK LOVERS: The St. Thomas More Book Club has chosen their next book. This time we will be reading "Meet Padre Pio" by Patricia Treece. If you are interested in joining us every Wednesday at 1:00, call Becky at 753-2548 or email her at bready@stm.org.

Youth Ministry

ROC YOUTH MINISTRY: Next meeting will be Sunday, March 29.

CCHD INTERNSHIP AVAILABLE FOR 2009: Looking for: A young person (18-30) of faith who would like to serve as an intern for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD), the Catholic Church's domestic anti-poverty program. Stipend is \$10 per hour, 13 hours per week Fall 2009 (12 weeks) & Spring 2010 (12 weeks). For more information or to receive an application, please contact Tony Stieritz, at 513-421-3131 ext. 2660 or tsieritz@catholiccincinnati.org.

Miscellaneous



PROTECT THE CONSCIENCE RIGHTS OF HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS!

The US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is inviting public comment on a proposal to rescind an important December 2008 federal regulation that protects the conscience rights of health care providers. The regulation implements and enforces three federal laws protecting the conscience rights of health care providers, especially those at risk of being discriminated against because of their moral or religious objection to abortion. Help protect the rights of our Catholic health care professionals and institutions. Please visit the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops website at www.usccb.org/conscienceprotection to access links to make a comment and to find out more information. **Comments must be posted by April 9, 2009.** Thank you for your action on this important human life and freedom of religion issue!

THE CATHOLIC CLIMATE COVENANT: A Symposium on "Climate Change and Catholic Social Teaching" will be held Sunday, April 5 from 2 -6 pm on the campus of Xavier University. Dr. William Rauckhorst and Tony Stieritz will offer a keynote presentation on "Climate Change and Catholic Social Teaching." Following this presentation, participants may choose from a variety of workshops. The symposium is free of charge and open to everyone in the Archdiocese. To register, contact the Catholic Social Action Office at 421-3131 ext. 2660. The event is co-sponsored by the Climate Change Task Force of the Catholic Social Action Office of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and the Ethics/Religion & Society Program of Xavier University.

COMBONI MISSIONARIES AUXILIARY: Will hold its bi-monthly rummage sale on Friday, April 3, from 9:00 am – 2:00 pm at the Comboni Mission Center, 1318 Nagel Rd. \$5.00 bag sale with a large selection of clothing, toys and household items.



Parish Stewardship

	Actual	Budget
March 22:	\$11,636.50	\$13,000.00
YTD:	\$605,685.30	\$609,000.00
YTD Collection <i>Under Budget</i> :		\$3,314.70
464 Envelopes Returned Sunday March 22:		\$11,007.03
Loose Change March 22:		\$629.47

OTHER COLLECTION:

Outstanding Debt:	\$913,216.65
Unpaid Interest on Debt:	<u>\$558,433.74</u>
Total Due Archdiocese:	<u>\$1,471,650.39</u>

EXPENSES:

Total Expenses Paid week ending 3/21/09	\$13,359.08
Notable Expenses Paid:	
Duke Energy	\$6,421.85
Boiler Tests	\$599.00
Alarm System Repairs	\$1,161.53

REMEMBER ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH IN YOUR WILL!

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, April 4

4:00 pm **Lectors** – Nancy Bokenkotter, Sam Geonetta
Eucharistic Ministers – Deacon, Dennis Lahey, Jane Pearce, Donald Weber, Michelle Emerling, Chris Bell, Jenny Barnes, Rose Fitzgerald
Servers – Megan Schaefer, Anthony Luster, Ashley Taylor, Olivia Witt, Katie Farr
Greeters – Jane Pearce, Jerry Edwards, Char Schworer
Ushers – Jerry Barnes, Gene Johnson, Don Tate

Sunday, April 5

8:00 am **Lectors** – Mary Lou Mulvey, Jerry Philpot
Eucharistic Ministers – Deacon, Pat Ramundo, Michele Lamping, Dianna Kennedy, Charlotte Molitor, Gregory Senior, Kathy Senior, Patricia Rieck
Servers – Peter Conrady, Paul Conrady, Caroline Dugan, Christopher Feist, Garrett Guthrie
Greeters – Steve Friebele, Helen Fehn, Sylvia Guthrie
Ushers – Bill Imbus, George Hoffman, Joe Guertin, Bob Guenther

10:00 am **Lectors** – Jeff Burgess, Eva Grachek
Eucharistic Ministers – Deacon, Gregory Snodgrass, James Smith, Kathy Hornschemeier, Catalina, Handleton, Tony Schulte, Stephanie Landrum, Lisa Miller
Servers – Paxton Knight, Marissa Miller, Leah Bartel, Tanner Cardone, Kyle Cardone
Greeters – Charlene Kiefer, Ray Neltner, Rachel Neltner
Ushers – Lynn Austin, Joe Thumann, Rob Pairan, Shelby Pairan, Christopher Pairan

12:00 pm **Lectors** – Richard Schuler, Doreen Noble
Eucharistic Ministers – Deacon, Jeffrey Moore, Darline Foltz, Patricia Tekulve, Jim O'Donnell, Robyn Yates, Terrill Denton, Thomas Brannen
Servers – Jimmy Lindsey, Adam Vickers, Matthew Welage, Ryan Winkler, Katie Feldkamp
Greeters – Rosemary Weimer, Bill Weimer, Laurie Bagley
Ushers – Gary Lambert, Frank Brunet, Charlie Tekulve



CHACELLOR'S CLUB LUNCHEON: Due to Holy week the Chancellor's will be meeting on Tuesday April 14, at O' Charley's in Eastgate at 11:30 am.

Mass Intentions

MON. 3/30
 8:30 am Communion Service

TUES. 3/31
 8:30 am † Mary Ann Luckman/Terry & Kathy Brannen

WED. 4/1
 8:30 am † Neil Kamphaus/Ed Kamphaus

THUR. 4/2
 8:30 am † Gioan Kim Duong D. CAO/A/C Loc Nga

FRI. 4/3
 8:30 am † Robert Handleton/Catin Handleton

SAT. 4/4
 4:00 pm † Robert Seipelt/Rick & Carol Rowland

SUN. 4/5
 8:00 am People of the Parish
 10:00 am † Gioan Kim Duong D. CAO/BA Nguyen H. Phong
 12:00 pm † Donald Sunderhaus/George, Jerry, Marie & Kristin

† = Deceased

Parish Information



NEED A SPIRITUAL BREAK? Join your fellow parishioners of St. Thomas More Parish for an overnight retreat at **St. Meinrad Abby in Indiana** on May 13 and May 14. We will drive to the retreat center

to arrive on Wednesday afternoon for vespers and dinner. Our retreat master, former **Archabbot Bonaventure Knaebel**, will give two presentations; one on Wednesday evening and the other on Thursday morning on **"Six Roads to Inner Peace"**. We will return after lunch on Thursday. The total cost including lodging, three meals and conference fees is \$90 for a single and \$145 for a couple.

Please make your check out to St. Thomas More, write St. Meinrad in the memo field on your check, and remit it to the parish office as soon as possible but no later than **Wednesday, April 1, 2009**. We have reserved 22 rooms which will be allocated on a first come first serve basis.

SECOND COLLECTION: This weekend, is the fifth Sunday of the month and the **second collection** will be for the work of our **SVDP Society**. Please be generous, as the requests for assistance have increased considerably, due to the state of the economy. **May God bless you all!!**



SIGN-UP SHEETS FOR ALL HOLY WEEK LITURGIES: have been posted in their usual locations. In order to insure that all our Liturgies are prayerful and meaningful, we need all positions filled. In addition, we have put a sign-up sheet in the main vestibule for volunteers to get their feet washed during The Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday. Thank you.

THE DIAPER CAMPAIGN: was once again a success! The **Elizabeth Ministry** would like to thank you for your generous donation of diapers, wipes and all of your many gifts. All will be given to A **Caring Place** to help young mothers, lower income families and single parents. **Thank you and God bless you.**

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 can use meat dishes, casseroles, vegetable dishes, salads, desserts, drinks, etc. The next meal will be on **Tuesday, April 7**. 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.

