



Church of ST. THOMAS MORE

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School Web Page: www.sttmschool.org

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, 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, September 29

7:00 pm Parish Council - Parish Dining Hall

Tuesday, September 30

7:00 pm Zumba - Fr. Heider Hall

7:00 pm Choir - Church

Wednesday, October 1

9:30 am Bible Study - Faith Formation Room

1:00 pm Book Club - Faith Formation Room

7:30 pm Evening Bible Study - Conference Room C

Thursday, October 2

7:00 pm Memorial Prayer Service - Church

7:00 pm STMEC - Library

7:30 pm Men's Club - More Martyr Hall

7:45 pm Memorial Reception - Parish Dining Hall

Friday, October 3

8:30 am School Mass

10:00 am Adoration

Saturday, October 4

7:00 am Answer the Call - More Martyr Hall

8:30 am Clean Church

9:30 am Pet Blessing - Parking Lot

3:00 pm Confessions

Sunday, October 5

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

2:00 pm Life Chain - Parking Lot

3:00 pm Pro-Life Rally - Picnic Shelter

6:00 pm Youth Ministry - More Martyr Hall

FAMILY TALK - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

GOSPEL FOCUS: (Matthew 21:28-32) If those who seem to sin have pure hearts, they will reach heaven; those who only pay lip service to sinlessness will be far behind.

REFLECTION: In spite of our human failings, of our selfish interests and self-centeredness, we are asked to put on the mind of Christ, to welcome his values.

AT HOME FOR DISCUSSION: When do you find it difficult to be selfless?

Prayer Intentions

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Those who have died. Those who are ill or have asked for our prayers: Donald Blom, 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, Christopher Kosciuk, Deacon Fred Haas, Thelma Leone, Dorothy Klein, Bud Pangburn, Connie Dufresne, Rita Iding, Robin Vestring, Ann Indovina, Nick Uremovich, Nick Kellerman, Tex Meranda, Jerry Barnes, Janet Myrick, Joe Doogan and Tom Brannen, who is serving in the Peace Corps. **Those who are serving in the Armed Forces:** Michael Hucker Jr., Derek Archer, Aaron Muldoon, Jonathon Stewart, Corey Campbell, Danny Braun, Michael Nazarovch, Randy Damron and Adam Wenstrup.



School News



SCHOOL MAGAZINE DRIVE: STM School's annual Magazine Drive will continue through October 3. Proceeds help to support many events and programs for our school.

This is our biggest fund raiser of the year, so please renew or subscribe through your favorite student. If you do not have a student enrolled in our school, you may call the school office at 753-2540 to obtain a catalog and order form.

FINGERPRINTING OPPORTUNITY THIS WEEKEND: As you already know all volunteers must obtain a positive fingerprint report and attend an orientation session for the Decree on Child Protection before they begin working with children, including anyone who wants to volunteer, even for one day. We strongly urge **ALL** STM and PSR parents to become certified. To make it easy for everyone, we will have all the equipment necessary to fingerprint you right here on site at St. Thomas More this **Sunday, September 28, between 9:00 am and 2:00 pm!** Also, following each Mass at 9:00, 11:00 and 1:00 we will be offering the workshop on child protection in the parish dining hall. If you have not been certified, or just need one or the other to complete your Child Protection Certification, we strongly urge you to take advantage of this opportunity to start the Child Protection Certification process or complete the Child Protection Certification process.



CPR and AED: Union Township Fire Department will be at St. Thomas More on Saturday, October 18, from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm to teach CPR and AED (defibrillator) to anyone who might be interested. This is a good opportunity for teachers, ushers, coaches, parishioners, etc. to learn these life saving procedures. If you are interested in attending this class or need more information please call Rhonda Roberts at 513-752-2080 ext 124. **All registrations have to be in by Wednesday, October 15.**



To read words of wisdom from our Catholic Bishops on the upcoming issues or to download "Voting Your Conscience" by Fr. Brian Bransfield, log on to www.faithfulcitizenship.org/media.

Faith Formation

UPCOMING DATES:

Oct. 9 – First Reconciliation Prep Gathering

Oct. 23 – Confirmation Prep Parent Meeting

NEW!! FEEDBACK ON PSR NEEDED!! We have created a new survey that we would like every PSR family to answer. We have made it easy for you to take this survey. Just go to www.sttm.org, click on "Children's Faith Formation" and you will see the link to the PSR survey. If you have any questions, just email bready@sttm.org.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC? The *JOURNEY OF FAITH* begins with your questions. The Rite of Christian Initiation is the church's process for preparing people to be initiated as Catholic Christians. Our inquiry sessions will end this weekend. For questions or more information, call Becky at 753-2548 or email her at bready@sttm.org.

FIRST RECONCILIATION GATHERING: On Thursday, October 9, at 7:00 pm in the parish dining hall **all 2nd graders and at least one parent** will be attending our first meeting to help us understand in greater depth and prepare for this most important sacrament of our Church: **Reconciliation**. Mark your calendars for this essential gathering.

SUNDAY CHILD CARE: Sunday Child Care is again available for all children three years and under during the Sunday 10:00 am Mass, in the Kindergarten Room (Church Bldg). Please call the parish office to register your child or go to www.sttm.org and download the registration forms.

Youth Ministry

ROC (RELY ON CHRIST) YOUTH MINISTRY: Youth in grades 6-12 are invited to join us in MMH from 6-8 pm every Sunday. Next meeting is this Sunday, Sept. 28.

Miscellaneous



ATTENTION RUNNERS, WALKERS & PET LOVERS: Join the Sisters of the Monastery of St. Clare for the **5th Annual RUN FOR THE NUNS**, Saturday, October 4, 2008 at Harbor Point, Winton Woods. The event begins at 8:30 am with the blessing of the animals. The

5K Run starts at 9:00 am and the 5K walk starts at 9:01 am. For more information about the 5K Run or Walk, contact Steve Prescott at 513-777-1080 or go to www.sprunning.com.

A ROSARY VIGIL: to honor the 91st anniversary of Our Lady's appearance at Fatima will be held at Fountain Square on Saturday, October 11, 2008 from 10 am – 11 am. For further details please call 513-793-5872.



CLERMONT COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE: LIFE CHAIN in front of St. Thomas More on Sunday, October 5th from 2:00 – 3:00 pm, followed by short **PRO-LIFE RALLY** in the picnic shelter. "Abortion violates the natural law by

abusing the inherent human rights of the unborn child. The injustice of genocide, oppressing the poor and killing unborn children is not a matter of religious doctrine. It is a matter of natural law. When Catholics defend the unborn, they are not 'imposing their religious beliefs' on society, but upholding an even more fundamental principle of justice that America itself is founded on".

Rev. Charles J. Chaput, OFM Cap., *Denver Catholic Register*

Readings for: October 5 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7

Second Reading: Philippians 4:6-9

Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

Parish Stewardship

	Actual	Budget
September 21, 2008	\$12,365.36	\$13,000.00
YTD thru September 21:	\$184,852.69	\$193,000.00
YTD Collection <i>Under Budget</i> :		\$8,147.31
471 Envelopes Returned September 21:		\$11,620.18
Loose Change September 21:		\$745.18

OTHER COLLECTION:

Outstanding Debt:	\$953,216.67
Unpaid Interest on Debt:	\$535,287.70
Total Due Archdiocese:	<u>\$1,488,504.37</u>

EXPENSES:

Total Expenses week ending 9/20/08:	\$32,976.01
Notable Expenses Paid:	
Duke Energy	\$5,713.29
Technology Costs	\$5,652.35
Copy Paper	\$3,250.00

REMEMBER ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH IN YOUR WILL!

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, October 4

4:00 pm **Lectors** – Mary Lou Mulvey, Sam Geonetta
Eucharistic Ministers – Deacon, Dennis Lahey, Jane Pearce, Jenny Barnes, Rose Fitzgerald, Donald Weber, Duane Bradley, Theresa Bradley
Servers – Emily Rivard, Danielle Piening, Nicole Piening, Katherine Kelly, Emily Osterling
Greeters – Jerry Edwards, Char Schworer, Emily Bradley
Ushers – Jerry Barnes, Gene Johnson, Don Tate

Sunday, October 5

8:00 am **Lectors** – Barbara Comello, Charles Randolph
Eucharistic Ministers – Deacon, Tony Ramundo, Paul Brandt, Thomas Brannen, Diane Meisman, Vickie Ditchen, Genevieve Ivers, Sam Ivers
Servers – Alex Willenbrink, Sean McNamara, Peter Brandt, Caroline Dugan, Paul Conrady
Greeters – Helen Fehn, Steve Friebele, Sylvia Guthrie
Ushers – Paul Guertin, Bill Imbus, George Hoffman, Joe Guertin

10:00 am **Lectors** – Dan Casnellie, Barbara Hammond
Eucharistic Ministers – Deacon, Tammy Schneider, Jeff Burgess, Catalina Handleton, Tony Schulte, Karen Klysz, Ray Neltner, Lori Casnellie
Servers – Brian Rastani, Kiley Palmer, Jennifer Foltz, Benjamin Gallivan, Hannah Taylor
Greeters – David Kiefer, Darline Foltz, Ray Neltner
Ushers – Joe Thumann, Lee Knause, Lynn Austin, Mike Hicks

12:00 pm **Lectors** – Doreen Noble, Victoria Aicholtz
Eucharistic Ministers – Deacon, Patricia Tekulve, Mary Brock, Robyn Yates, Gloria Saliceti, Jim O'Donnell, Richard Schuler, Melissa Kellerman
Servers – Ryan Winkler, Abby Simpson, Brett Blaha, Sarah Lindsey, Becky Kellerman
Greeters – Julie Kiefer, Rosemary Weimer, Bill Weimer
Ushers – Gary Lambert, Frank Brunet, Charlie Tekulve

Mass Intentions

MON. 9/29	8:30 am	Communion Service
TUES. 9/30	8:30 am	† Victor Ernst/Linda & Fred Haas
WED. 10/1	8:30 am	† Charles Grueninger, Sr/Rose
THUR. 10/2	8:30 am	† Rose Marie Grueninger/Rose Grueninger
FRI. 10/3	8:30 am	† Robert Handleton/Catin Handleton
SAT. 10/4	4:00 pm	† Joseph Chirco/Helen Chirco
SUN. 10/5	8:00 am	Fr. Joseph Bruemmer in honor of his 60 th Anniversary of Ordination/The Ivers Family
	10:00 am	People of the Parish
	12:00 pm	† Patti Ritter/Steve & Lark Hurst

† = Deceased

Parish Information



A NOTE FROM THE MUSIC DIRECTOR: Men and women, high school age and older, are encouraged to consider membership in our parish **Adult Choir**. Responsible for leading the congregation as well as providing choral music at the **10:00 am Sunday Liturgy** (September-May) as well as at other celebrations, this group **rehearses in church Tuesdays 7:00-9:00 pm**. Auditions, musical expertise, or 100% attendance are NOT pre-requisites. If you are interested or someone you know should be, contact **Terry Wenninger** at 513-753-2546 or email twenninger@sttm.org. *Please give us a try – it's virtually "risk-free" AND fun.*



MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR CHILDREN BORN AND UNBORN: The *STM Elizabeth Ministry* invites you to join them at a Memorial Service for those who have lost children through miscarriage, stillbirth, infant or child crisis, failed adoption or abortion, on Thursday, Oct. 2 at 7:00 pm. A reception will immediately follow the service, in the Parish Dining Hall. For more information, contact Maria Pour (943-7263), Linda Bader, or email elizabethministry1@fuse.net.

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, October 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.



OLD CELL PHONES NEEDED: In the month of October the Social Justice Committee will be collecting old cell phones to benefit the YWCA and House of Peace. There will be a box in the vestibule of the church marked **Cell Phones**. **Thank you for your continuing support!!!**

Saturday, October 4th is the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. In his honor, we will celebrate our annual Blessing of Pets at 9:30 am in the parking lot behind the gym. **All are invited to bring their pets to be blessed!**

