

Growth Through Commitment in Christ



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, October 6

6:30 pm Booster General Meeting - Parish Dining Hall
7:30 pm SVDP - Fr. Wack Library

Tuesday, October 7

9:30 am School Prayer Service - Church
11:30 am Chancellor's Club Luncheon - Olive Garden, Cherry Grove
6:00 pm Fr. Byrne - Church - Hospitality to follow in Parish Dining Hall
7:00 pm Zumba - Fr. Heider Hall
7:30 pm Choir - Church

Wednesday, October 8

9:30 am Bible Study - Faith Formation Room
1:00 pm Book Club - Faith Formation Room
7:00 pm Market Day Pick Up - Parish Dining Hall
7:30 pm Evening Bible Study - Conference Room C

Thursday, October 9

7:00 pm Reconciliation Gathering - Parish Dining Hall

Friday, October 10

10:00 am Adoration

Saturday, October 11

9:00 am Clean Church
9:30 am Women's CRHP
3:00 pm Confessions

Sunday, October 12

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
11:00 am Baptismal Prep Class - Conference Room B

FAMILY TALK - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

GOSPEL FOCUS: (Matthew 21:33-43) Those who reject Jesus will lose the kingdom of heaven.

REFLECTION: In the loving care and protection of God, our landowner, we are asked to produce good fruit in our life by doing God's will in love and service to others.

AT HOME FOR DISCUSSION: What kind of grape are you?

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, Courtney Langenbahn 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 Nazarovech, Randy Damron and Adam Wenstrup.



School News



CPR and AED: Union Township Fire Department will be at St. Thomas More on Sat., Oct. 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.**

Miscellaneous



CLERMONT COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE: LIFE CHAIN 2008 in front of St. Thomas More on Sunday, October 5th from 2:00 – 3:00 pm, followed by a short **PRO-LIFE RALLY** in the picnic shelter. All participants are asked to **please arrive by 1:45 pm** in order to have time to pick up your **Life Chain** signs at one of the 3 **Life Chain Information Centers** and **be in your section by 2:00 pm.**

ST. URSULA ACADEMY OPEN HOUSE: will be held on Sunday, Oct. 12, from 11:30 am – 2:00 pm and the Entrance Test will be given on Sat. Nov. 22 from 8:30 am – 12:30 pm. For more information call Jill Loch at 961-3410 ext. 16.

BOYS BASKETBALL, GIRLS VOLLEYBALL, AND SPIRIT SQUAD SIGN UPS: are taking place now. Boy's basketball and Girl's Volleyball are for boys/girls entering grade 3 - 8 for the school year 08-09 and actively attending PSR or enrolled in STM School. Registrations are due Oct. 10. You can get a copy of the registration form on the STM website or contact Dan Hornback @ 753-5358.

SEM FOOD PANTRY: would like to thank everyone who contributed to the September Food Collection at St. Thomas More. Your response was tremendous and will be used to help feed many disadvantaged families in the Eastern Hamilton County and Clermont areas. **May God Bless You!**



On Sat. Oct. 11th at noon, to commemorate the 91st Anniversary of the Blessed Mother's appearance to the 3 children in Fatima, join Immaculate Heart of Mary in the church parking lot to pray the Rosary and the Divine Praises, sing hymns and consecrate your self to Jesus through Mary.

Readings for: October 12 – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-10a
Second Reading: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20
Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

Faith Formation

UPCOMING DATES:

Oct. 9 – First Reconciliation Prep Gathering

Oct. 23 – Confirmation Prep Parent Meeting

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.

NOT YET CONFIRMED? If you are a young (or older) adult who has not received the sacrament of confirmation and would like to, please call Becky at 753-2548 or email her at bready@sttm.org. Our preparation process will be starting soon and you are invited to join us this year in a special way.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION SESSION FOR PARENTS ONLY: On Thursday, October 23, at 7pm in the Parish Dining Hall, all parents of 8th graders (at least one parent) will be meeting to prepare for confirmation. This year of preparation is designed to strengthen our teens in their faith so that they can be better prepared with a spirit of boldness to witness to our Lord and our Catholic faith. This first gathering on October 23rd is an information night for parents only. It is extremely important for you to join us since we will be sharing all the details of our preparation process. You will receive a handbook including important dates and steps in the process. We will also present the Church's current teachings on the sacrament of Confirmation so that we can all better understand how to help our youth grow into active and full members of St. Thomas More's Catholic Community. Your attendance at this meeting is essential as we will be enlisting your support to formulate small faith teams.



Parishioners of the St. Martin Deanery parishes are invited to attend a special discussion on how faith and politics DO mix, on **Mon. Oct. 6 at 7 pm at St. Michael Church, 220 S. High St., Mt. Orab.** The Archdiocese of Cincinnati Catholic Social Action Office will be sharing the U.S. bishops' landmark statement, *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*, which Archbishop Daniel Pilarczyk has affirmed as the guiding formational document for Catholic participation in voting and political life in our Archdiocese. In it, the bishops teach that "in the Catholic Tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue and participation in political life is a moral obligation" (no. 13). Come and learn how Catholics can work together, beyond partisan lines, to examine our consciences and promote the principles of the life and dignity of all people.

Youth Ministry

ROC YOUTH MINISTRY: Next meeting is this Sunday, Oct. 5.

WORLD MISSION ROSARY GUEST SPEAKER: Fr. David Byrne will speak at St. Thomas More on Tues. Oct. 7 at 6 pm in the church. Hospitality to follow in the Parish Dining Hall.

ALL ARE INVITED!

Parish Stewardship

	Actual	Budget
September 28, 2008	\$12,068.40	\$13,000.00
YTD thru September 28:	\$196,921.09	\$206,000.00
YTD Collection <i>Under Budget</i> :		\$9,078.91
460 Envelopes Returned September 28:		\$11,456.10
Loose Change September 28:		\$612.30

OTHER COLLECTION:

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

EXPENSES:

Payroll & Taxes Paid 9/30/08:	\$46,692.59
Total Expenses week ending 9/27/08:	\$4,163.25
Notable Expenses Paid:	
Office Supplies	\$706.97

REMEMBER ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH IN YOUR WILL!

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, October 11

4:00 pm **Lectors** – Duane Bradley, Janet Tate
Eucharistic Ministers – Jane Pearce, Ginny Rottinghaus, Michelle Emerling, Dennis Lahey, Jenny Barnes, Larry Bush, Chris Bell, Lisa Miller
Servers – Jena Molitor, Gabrielle Quesnell, Matt Mersman, Allie Kamphaus, Maggie Mulloney
Greeters – Gail Convery, Hannah Schoolfield, Jane Pearce
Ushers – Jerry Barnes, Gene Johnson, Don Tate

Sunday, October 12

8:00 am **Lectors** – Nelson Seip, Janelle Jessie
Eucharistic Ministers – Charlotte Molitor, Dianna Kennedy, Pattie McMullen, Mary Opp, Patricia Rieck, William Fehn, Gregory Senior, Kathy Senior
Servers – Katie Feldkamp, Peter Conrady, Jeff Casavant, Christopher Feist
Greeters – Helen Fehn, Steve Friebele, Nancy Guertin
Ushers – Paul Guertin, Bill Imbus, George Hoffman, Bob Guenther

10:00 am **Lectors** – Lisa Hartman, Eva Grachek
Eucharistic Ministers – Deacon, James Smith, Garry Burke, Patricia Tussey, Patricia Lindsey, Larry Robben, Ann Kamphaus, Tim McGrath
Servers – Travis Gallivan, Trevor Lynd, Rachel McGrath, Ethan Johnson, Sarah Bouley
Greeters – Laurie Bagley, Ray Neltner, Rachel Neltner
Ushers – Lee Knause, Joe Thumann, David Wynn, Joanne Buchanan

12:00 pm **Lectors** – Mary Lou Mulvey, Ann Tekulve
Eucharistic Ministers – Deacon, Jacqueline Moore, Karen Trautmann, Robyn Yates, Darline Foltz, Paul Brandt, Terrill Denton, Carol Woerner
Servers – Paige Jones, Abby Jones, Adam Vickers, Mackenzie Mahon, Michele Cabel
Greeters – Sarah Nimmo, Maureen Crowley, Terrill Denton
Ushers – Gary Lambert, Frank Brunet, Charlie Tekulve

Mass Intentions

MON. 10/6	8:30 am	Communion Service
TUES. 10/7	8:30 am	† Norma Zoz/Russell & Ellen Shore
WED. 10/8	8:30 am	† Louis Grieco/Ruby & Kathy Grieco
THUR. 10/9	8:30 am	† Bernie Fieno/Mariemont High School Class of 1950
FRI. 10/10	8:30 am	† Pete Tekulve/The Tekulve Family
SAT. 10/11	4:00 pm	People of the Parish
SUN. 10/12	8:00 am	† Margaret Kellerman/Jim & Bette Ranson
	10:00 am	† Lillian Gosney/Catherine Barton
	12:00 pm	† Pamela Rettinger/Sharon & Bill Strickland

† = Deceased

Parish Information

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!!!**



DID YOU KNOW? The Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy are prayed after the week day morning Mass and Monday Communion Service.



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, October 12, at 11:00 am in Conference Room B**. Please call the parish office to register – 753-2550.



THE CHANCELLOR'S CLUB: will be meeting on Tuesday, October 7, at 11:30 am for lunch at Olive Garden in Cherry Grove. Please call the parish office at 753-2541 to let us know you are coming.



DIAPER CAMPAIGN: The **Elizabeth Ministry** has teamed up with **A Caring Place** to collect baby supplies for young mothers, lower income families and single parents. Help the campaign by donating: a **box of diapers** (sizes 3, 4, and 5 are most needed), a container of **baby wipes**, baby food, and/or gas gift cards. *Monetary donations are also accepted.* Bins will be at every entrance before and after mass on **October 18th and 19th**. Thank you for your ongoing support!!!

