

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, 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](mailto:kroelker@sttm.org).

*We warmly welcome new members to our parish family. Please call the Parish Office or register online at [www.sttm.org](http://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, November 24

7:00 pm Choir - Church

### Tuesday, November 25

7:00 pm Zumba - Fr. Heider Hall  
7:00 pm Social Justice - Fr. Wack Library  
7:00 pm Fundraising Committee Meeting - Library

### Wednesday, November 26

**SCHOOL CLOSED**  
9:30 am Bible Study - Faith Formation Room  
**NO Evening Bible Study**

### Thursday, November 27

**SCHOOL & PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**  
10:00 am Thanksgiving Day Mass

## HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!

### Friday, November 28

**SCHOOL & PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**  
8:30 am Communion Service  
**NO Adoration**

### Saturday, November 29

9:00 am Clean the Church  
3:00 pm Confessions

### Sunday, November 30

1st Sunday of Advent  
**NO PSR, RCIA/RCIY or Youth Ministry**

## FAMILY TALK - Solemnity of Christ the King

**GOSPEL FOCUS:** (Matthew 25:31-46) Those who look after the least of my people will be given eternal life.

**REFLECTION:** As God's people, the standard of entry into this kingdom is the mercy we show others.

**AT HOME FOR DISCUSSION:** How do you offer comfort and support to others?

**"And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left."**

### 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, 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, Peg Pangburn, Dave Vogelgesang 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, Corey Campbell, Danny Braun, Michael Nazarovch, Randy Damron and Adam Wenstrup.



### Parish Information



**ST. THOMAS MORE CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT:** will be available for purchase the months of Nov. and Dec. The ornament will be on sale in the parish office during office hours or see Deacon John Convery. **A donation of \$10 is requested. Funds will be used for the STM Scholarship Fund.**

**CPR and AED:** Union Township Fire Department will be at St. Thomas More on Sat., Dec. 6, 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, December 3rd.**



**DEFIBRILLATOR UPDATE** – We have received a second defibrillator donated by the Greater Cincinnati Foundation. It is now located in the gym lobby. Our first defibrillator will be moved this week to bottom of the church & school east entrance. A cabinet has been donated by NKH Life Safety here in Union Township. **Please note these two locations in the event either unit is needed.** This move now allows for access of a defibrillator in the church when the undercroft of the church is locked and is also closer to Heider Hall. A big thanks to Perry Gerome of the Union Township Fire Department for all his hard work and training in making this possible.



We are in the process of adding a freezer to the school cafeteria. On Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>, there will be a period of time that day when the water will be shut off in order to hook the lines into the freezer. We can not proceed without this work being completed. Your cooperation and patience is appreciated and we apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

Readings for: November 30 – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent  
First Reading: Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2b-7  
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9  
Gospel: Mark 13:33-37

### Faith Formation

#### UPCOMING DATES:

- Nov. 30 – NO PSR or RCIA/RCIY
- Dec. 4 – 1st Reconciliation Celebration
- Dec. 21 & 28 – NO PSR or RCIA/Y due to Christmas Holiday
- Jan. 4 – Epiphany Party
- Jan. 8 – Confirmation Session #1

**UPCOMING RECONCILIATION CELEBRATION:** On Thursday, December 4, all parents and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade children in the school and PSR will be celebrating and receiving their first sacrament of reconciliation. The service begins at 7pm in the church with a reception to follow in the parish dining room. If you have any questions, call or email Becky at 753-2548 or [bready@stm.org](mailto:bready@stm.org).

**THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY:** There will be no PSR or RCIA/Y on Sunday, November 30. Enjoy your Thanksgiving holiday with family and friends!

**IN CASE OF SNOW AND ICE: NOTE:** If we should cancel PSR due to inclement weather, we will call "School Watch" and that will be reported on channel 12, 700 WLW-AM, 55KRC-AM, Mix 94.1 FM, KISS 107.1 FM, FOX 92.5 FM and also channel 5. It will also be listed on their websites: [www.wkrc.com](http://www.wkrc.com) and [www.wlwt.com](http://www.wlwt.com).

### Youth Ministry

**ROC YOUTH MINISTRY:** Next meeting will be Sunday, Nov. 23. **Sallywag Tag & ROC Youth Ministry Thanksgiving Overnight Event**, Nov. 29, midnight to 7:00 am. For more information call the Youth Office at 753-2551 or email Diane Brennan at [dbrennan@sttm.org](mailto:dbrennan@sttm.org). **NO MEETING SUNDAY, NOV. 30.**



### Parish Information

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



**2009 ENVELOPE SETS:** If you have not already done so, please pick up your 2009 boxed envelope set outside the Fr. Wack Library, underneath the front of the Church.

**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, December 2**. 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.



**ADVENT GIVING TREE PROJECT:** Ornament tags will be hung on three Giving Trees located at the three Church entrances. Each tag will list a specific item to be given to individuals and families. Tags will be available Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> and Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>.

# Happy Thanksgiving!

### Parish Stewardship

	Actual	Budget
November 16, 2008	\$15,032.44	\$13,000.00
YTD thru November 16:	\$302,708.75	\$313,000.00
YTD Collection <i>Under Budget</i> :		\$10,291.25
483 Envelopes Returned November 16:		\$14,292.19
Loose Change November 16:		\$740.25

#### OTHER COLLECTION:

Outstanding Debt:	\$939,883.33
Unpaid Interest on Debt:	\$531,954.38
Total Due Archdiocese:	<u>\$1,471,837.71</u>

#### EXPENSES:

Total Expenses week ending 11/15/08:	\$36,165.48
Notable Expenses Paid:	
Duke Energy	\$5,303.28
Health Care Premium – Nov.	\$18,722.19
2009 Collection Envelope	\$4,440.22
Ohio Unemployment Premium	\$869.39
Fingerprinting Costs – October	\$2,226.00

REMEMBER ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH IN YOUR WILL!

### Liturgical Ministers

#### Saturday, November 29

4:00 pm **Lectors** – Nancy Bokenkotter, Janet Tate  
**Eucharistic Ministers** – Deacon, Michelle Emerling, Jane Pearce, Larry Bush, Chris Bell, Donald Weber, Dennis Lahey, Jenny Barnes  
**Servers** – Gabrielle Quesnell, Matt Mersman, Kiley Palmer, Paige Noday, Emily Rivard  
**Greeters** – Hannah Schoolfield, Jane Pearce, Gail Convery  
**Ushers** – Jerry Barnes, Gene Johnson, Don Tate

#### Sunday, November 30

8:00 am **Lectors** – Diane Meisman, Janelle Jessie  
**Eucharistic Ministers** – Deacon, Charlotte Molitor, Dianna Kennedy, Vickie Ditchen, Kathy Senior, Gregory Senior, Patricia Rieck, Patricia Tussey  
**Servers** – Logan Stultz, Caroline Dugan, Alex Willenbrink, Katie Feldkamp, Garrett Guthrie  
**Greeters** – Steve Friebele, Helen Fehn, Sylvia Guthrie  
**Ushers** – Joe Guertin, Bill Imbus, George Hoffman, Paul Guertin

10:00 am **Lectors** – Lisa Hartman, Jeff Burgess  
**Eucharistic Ministers** – Deacon, Cindy Robinson, Kathy Hornschemeier, Penny Barton, Catalina Handleton, Paul Brandt, Tim McGrath, Lisa Miller  
**Servers** – Lacey O'Connell, Andrew Clement, Leah Bartel, Sarah McGrath, Marissa Miller  
**Greeters** – Ray Neltner, Rachel Neltner, Sandra Bishop  
**Ushers** – Lee Knause, Mike Hicks, Lynn Austin, Joe Thumann


12:00 pm **Lectors** – Barbara Hammond, Richard Schuler  
**Eucharistic Ministers** – Deacon, Karen Trautmann, Megan Farwick, Darline Foltz, Patricia Tekulve, Chelsea Ritter, Jeffrey Moore  
**Servers** – Erin Ketchum, Matt Ketchum, Michael Mink, Sarah White  
**Greeters** – Dee Archer, Laurie Bagley, Sarah Nimmo  
**Ushers** – Gary Lambert, Frank Brunet, Charlie Tekulve

### Mass Intentions

<b>MON. 11/24</b>	8:30 am	Communion Service
<b>TUES. 11/25</b>	8:30 am	† Betty Morris/Friends of Marcy, Ann, Jean & Betty
<b>WED. 11/26</b>	8:30 am	† Louis Iannitti/Angela Iannitti
<b>THUR. 11/27</b>	10:00 am	† Edmund Fritz/Pat Fieno
<b>FRI. 11/28</b>	8:30 am	Communion Service
<b>SAT. 11/29</b>	4:00 pm	† Victor Candelaresi/Tom Kiefer
<b>SUN. 11/30</b>	8:00 am	People of the Parish
	10:00 am	† Howard Diemler/Margie Payne
	12:00 pm	† Dorothy Wheatley/Eileen Hank

† = Deceased

### Miscellaneous

 "FRIENDS OF CISE" 28<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL RAFFLE: \$10,000 grand prize + cash awards and prizes. Tickets \$100 each (only 1200 sold) call Pete Bushelman at 821-7125. Winners will be drawn by Archbishop Pilarczyk at the Cathedral reception on 12/6/08. Proceeds provide tuition aid to low income students attending 8 urban Catholic elementary schools.



**SECOND COLLECTION:** Sunday, November 30, 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, due to the state of the economy, has doubled. **May God bless you all!!**

**VISIT THE BLESSED REPLICA IMAGE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE:** Tuesday, Nov. 25, at St. Bernadette in Amelia from 12-9 pm.



### Parish Events

**LADIES NIGHT OUT:** Mark your calendars!!! The Annual 8<sup>th</sup> Grade **Ladies Night Out** is January 9, 2009 from 7 pm - 12 am. Drinks, food, music and fun! Gift Certificates for Ladies Night Out are available for holiday giving; \$20 prepaid or \$25 at the door. For more information call Janie Powers - 753-0953, Susan Kamphaus - 943-1667 or Michele Lamping - 752-6502. For reservations call Mindy Blaha at 752-7014.



**THANKSGIVING DAY MASS** will be celebrated Thursday, Nov. 27 at 10:00 am. Please join us to give thanks to God for the many blessings he has bestowed upon us.

**On Friday, Nov. 28, a Communion Service will be held at 8:30 am. There will be NO Adoration that day.**

