

◀ THE WEEK AHEAD ▶

10/10	7:30 pm	Columbus Day – PARISH OFFICE & SCHOOL CLOSED St. Vincent de Paul – Conference Room D
10/11	4:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Children's Choir – Church First Reconciliation Gathering – Dining Hall Choir - Church
10/12	9:30 am 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	Bible Study – Faith Formation Confirmation Parent Meeting – Dining Hall Contemporary Group – Church Bible Study – Library
10/13	9:00 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Adoration – Church Sewing Ministry – MMA&B Bingo – Dining Hall Life in the Spirit – Fr. Heider Hall
10/15	7:00 am	Rosary – Church
10/16	6:00 pm	Youth Ministry – MMA&B

Parish Mission

Evangelization! That's what we're about this year. Starting Sunday evening, November 13th and ending Wednesday night, November 16th, 2005 we're having a Parish Mission led by Roman Catholic Lay Evangelist John Schweisthal of Good News Ministries. The thrust of the mission is to bring us into a closer walk with Our Lord Jesus. Please to be there....and bring a friend!

Banns of Marriage

BANNS III: James Hall & Rebecca Johnson
October 15, 2005, St. Thomas More Church

BANNS II: Jason Stratton & Robin Mills
October 22, 2005, St. Thomas More Church

BANNS I: Jacob Aicholtz & Kelly Long
October 29, 2005, St. Thomas More Church

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October 29, 2005, St. Thomas More Church

Prayer Intentions

Please keep in your prayers those who are ill and have asked for our prayers: Michelle Rayburn, Lillian Gosney, Gertrude Murphy, David Habig, Sr., Mildred Hicks, Norma Zoz, Tom Middendorf, Emma Helphenstine, Romilda McCarty, Lois Ritter, Rose Krimmer, Howard Diemler, Diane Knause and Eileen Lang. **If you go into the hospital, please call the Parish Office – we are not notified by the hospitals.** Please also keep in your prayers Kristy Grachek, Adam Wenstrup and all those serving in the Armed Forces.

Respect Life Month

Reflect on this message from our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI: "We are not some casual or meaningless product of evolution. Each of us is the result of a thought of God. Each of us is willed, each of us is loved, each of us is necessary."

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT CLUB: The 21st weekly winner of \$100.00 is Christina Romano, Winning No. 116.

Readings for: October 16th – 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

First Reading: Isaiah 45:1, 4-6
Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b
Gospel: Matthew 22:15-21

Hurricane Relief

You are still able to make a monetary donation which will be sent to Catholic Charities U.S.A. Please make checks payable to St. Thomas More and write "Hurricane Relief" in the memo section. Containers remain at the entrances of the church for emergency collection items to be taken to Matthew 25: Ministries for distribution.

Faith Formation

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC? Our weekly catechetical sessions have begun for all those people desiring to enter the Catholic Church this coming Easter Vigil. If you are interested in becoming Catholic or know of someone who is interested, call Becky Ready at 752-2080 Ext. 54.

Sacramental Preparation

1ST RECONCILIATION PREPARATION GATHERING

All second graders and at least one parent will meet in the Parish Dining Hall on Tuesday, October 11th from 7:00 to 8:00 pm to prepare for the sacrament of Reconciliation.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION PARENTS MEETING

We will begin the Confirmation preparation process on Wednesday October 12th with a Parents Meeting. It is necessary that at least one parent be present for this initial gathering to explain the confirmation process in its entirety for this is the important sacrament that completes initiation into the Catholic Church. The meeting will take place in the Parish Dining Hall from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. Please mark your calendars. If you are a young or older adult who has never been confirmed and would like to be, call Becky Ready 752-2080 Ext. 54.

Fundraising

BINGO: We have had a terrific start to Bingo. We began the month with 77 players and ended with 102!! Be sure to check out our bingo website www.stm.org/bingo to take a look at photos from our first night!! To volunteer please call 257-9261. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the following individuals who worked Bingo during the month of September, our success is due to the hard work and commitment of our volunteers: Joyce Brown, Judy Philpot, Susan Vickers, Jeanette Henning, Deanna Alfieri, Theresa Willenbrink, Tammy Shaffer, Joe and Jeanne Burkart, Melissa Kennedy, Mary Fehn, Carole Guerette, Sheila Christman, Dottie Rosemond, Linda Bader, Diana Thompson, Gail Convery, Nancy Bokenkotter, Kristy Rahn, Maria Wilson, John Welage, Lori Kamphaus, Jolene Esz, Larry Bush, Janice Saylor, Myrna Findley, Pat Scheimann, Kathy Trapp, Mike Harrington, Darline Foltz, Eva Grachek, Sharon Klysz, David Wynn, Charlie Scales, Ralph Bedel, Michelle Stultz, Robyn Yates, Carol Meisman, Mark and Carol Meisman, and Stephanie King. Please accept our apologies if we missed anyone. Many thanks to the Bingo Core Team: Katrina Shepherd, Rhonda Roberts, James & Shannon Wolfe, Neil Desrosiers, Tom Rastani and Carey Rivard.

YANKEE CANDLE SALE: The 8th grade is selling Yankee Candles as a fundraiser for their class trip to Washington, DC. The sale begins October 7th and ends October 16th. Deliveries will arrive in time for Christmas. Please see your favorite 8th grader to order or contact Robyn Ruhe (753-4433) or Pam Neltner (753-4093) to order or to see a brochure. Thanks for your support!

Parish Stewardship

	Actual	Budget
October 2, 2005	\$ 16,422.40	\$16,000.00
Year to Date:	\$177,676.64	\$194,000.00
YTD Collection <i>Under Budget</i>		-\$16,323.36
498 Envelopes Returned:		\$15,942.40
Loose Change:		\$482.40
Vision 2000		\$769.50
Debt Reduction		\$1,544.40
Capital Campaign:		
Pledged		\$ 44,191.00
Paid		\$ 41,156.00
Outstanding Debt:	\$1,115,918.45	
Unpaid Interest on Debt:	<u>\$ 366,311.52</u>	
Total Due Archdiocese:	<u>\$1,482,229.97</u>	
EXPENSES:		
Total Expenses Paid Week Ending 10/1/05:		\$14,287.83
Notable Expenses Paid:		
School Furniture		\$5,057.00
Roof Repair – Heider Hall		\$620.00
School Software Support		\$1,000.00

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, October 15th

4:30 pm **Lectors** – Janet Tate, Mary Verdin
Eucharistic Ministers – Kelly Lyons, Rose Randolph, Patricia Rieck, Genevieve Ivers, Charles & Ginny Rottinghaus, Melissa Kellerman
Servers – Rebecca Wolfe, Hannah Schoolfield, Jennifer Ruhe, Jillian Ruhe
Greeters – Gail Convery
Ushers – Jerry Barnes, Gene Johnson, Don Tate

Sunday, October 16th

8:00 am **Lectors** – Gregory Snodgrass, Nelson Seip
Eucharistic Ministers – Patricia Tussey, Paul Brandt, Diane Meisman, Penny Barton, Deacon Jerry Cain, Gregory & Kathy Senior
Servers – Haley Stultz, Zachary Stultz, Robert Farwick, Joe Schoettlekotte
Greeters – Helen Fehn, Steve Friebele, Nancy Guertin
Ushers – Paul Guertin, Joe Guertin, Bob Guenther, George Hofmann

10:00 am **Lectors** – Jeff Burgess, Lisa Hartman
Eucharistic Ministers – Dan & Lori Casnellie, Miranda Burgess, Kathleen Hornschemeier, Catalina Handleton, Deacon Jerry Cain, Margie Keck
Servers – Jacob Powers, Jennifer Foltz, Matt Foltz, Natalie Iannelli
Greeters – Staderman Family
Ushers – Joe Thumann, David Wynn, Ed Lorentz, Mike Hicks

12:00 pm **Lectors** – Ann Tekulve, Mary Lou Mulvey
Eucharistic Ministers – Carol Woerner, Jessica Thompson, Gloria Saliceti, Terry Rutherford, Andrea Rutherford, Deacon Jerry Cain, Terrill Denton
Servers – Abby Simpson, Austin Shaffer, Jessica Murphy, Nick Fritz
Greeters – Julie Kiefer, Rosemary & Bill Weimer
Ushers – Joe Rickard, Frank Brunet, Mike Harrington

Mass Intentions & Presiders

MON. 10/10
8:30 am Charles & Helen Day

TUES. 10/11
8:30 am Bob Lamping/Roger & Kate Becker

WED. 10/12
8:30 am Eugene Johnson, Sr./Hilary & Bernice Herbert

THURS. 10/13
8:30 am Neil Bambrick/Diana Reeve

FRI. 10/14
11:00 am Fran Hayes/Dan Hayes

SAT. 10/15
4:30 pm Laura D’Andrea/Jim & Nancy Snow
Fr. Benedict O’Cinnsealaigh

SUN. 10/16
8:00 am People of the Parish - **Fr. Bill Wagner**
10:00 am Louise Wayson/Joe & Jeanne Burkart
Fr. Bill Wagner
12:00 pm Rosemary Reifenberger/Bob & Amy Reifenberger
Fr. Bill Wagner

Parish Events

EVENING BIBLE STUDY: The evening Bible Study is held in the library every Wednesday evening at 7:30 pm. The group is currently studying the Gospel of Mark.

SEWING MINISTRY: We will begin making Christmas stockings for the troops at our next meeting, October 13th, 6:00-8:00 pm at More Martyr Hall. No reservations are necessary and all levels of skill are welcome. Please come and bring a friend!

MARIAN EVENT & RESPECT LIFE SERVICE: We invite all parishioners to a Marian Event & Respect Life Service to be held in the church on Tuesday, October 18th in honor of babies, children and all those who help build a world where human life is always loved, defended and protected. You’re invited to come forward and pray together for the sacredness of life. The evening will start with a rosary service at 6:30 pm followed by evensong at 7:00 pm. The Elizabeth Ministry invites you to visit the Blessing Bouquet in the back of the church to add specific prayer requests concerning pregnancies, crisis or special family needs. A reception will follow immediately in the Parish Dining Hall. For more information, please contact Valerie Malott (753-8147) or Maria Pour (943-7263) or e-mail elizabethministry@sttm.org.

Music Ministry

CHILDREN’S CHOIR: Please be reminded that the members of the Children’s Choir will have rehearsal this Tuesday afternoon at 4:00 pm in the church to prepare for singing at Mass this weekend.

CONTEMPORARY GROUP: The Contemporary Music Group at St. Thomas More is looking for a couple of musicians. We are in need of both an adult soprano and alto singer. We also continue to search for a bass player. If you are a musician who enjoys singing and playing music published within the last 15 years, and you would like to share your talent with the parish community, you are encouraged to talk to Bill Hofbauer after the noon Mass on Sunday. Being a member of the Contemporary Music Group requires a continuing dedication of personal time for rehearsals and Mass participation. The group practices in the choir loft most Wednesday evenings from 7 until 9 pm.