

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 Thursday 8:30 am
Friday 9:00 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 Gemmett	753-2543
Secretaries: Donna Budheit	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, Margaret Osinski	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, April 7

7:00 pm Booster Meeting - Parish Dining Hall
BOOK FAIR

Tuesday, April 8

7:00 pm Zumba - Fr. Heider Hall
7:00 pm Women's CRHP - Faith Formation Room
BOOK FAIR

Wednesday, April 9

9:30 am Bible Study - Faith Formation Room
1:30 pm Book Club - Faith Formation Room
3:00 pm Martial Arts - Gym
7:30 pm Evening Bible Study - Conference Room C
BOOK FAIR

Thursday, April 10

7:00 pm Grade 4 Parent Meeting - Parish Dining Hall
BOOK FAIR

Friday, April 11

9:00 am School Mass - Church
10:00 am Adoration
6:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal - Church
BOOK FAIR

Saturday, April 12

9:00 am Clean Church
3:00 pm Confessions
6:00 pm Wedding - Church
BOOK FAIR

Sunday, April 13

8:30 am PSR Grades 1-8
9:30 am Sunday Child Care – Kindergarten Room
10:00 am PSR Pre-School – Fr. Heider Hall
10:00 am Children's Liturgy – Library
11:00 am RCIA Mystagogy - Faith Formation Room
11:00 am Baptism Prep - Class Room 7
6:00 pm Youth Ministry
BOOK FAIR

FAMILY TALK – 3rd Sunday of Easter

GOSPEL FOCUS: (Luke 24: 13-35) We see Jesus in the breaking of the bread.

REFLECTION: The disciples had a lively discussion as they walked the road to Emmaus.

AT HOME FOR DISCUSSION: In what event or circumstance do you recognize Jesus most often?

Prayer Intentions

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Those who have died Margaret Buerk. Those who are ill or have asked for our prayers: Donald Blom, Mary Dodson, 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, Dolores McKinney, Christopher Kosciuk, Deacon Fred Haas, Thelma Leone, Dorothy Klein, Bud Pangburn, Connie Dufresne and Tex Meranda. **Those who are serving in the Armed Forces:** Michael Hucker Jr., Dale Manning, Derek Archer, Aaron Muldoon, Jonathon Stewart, Corey Campbell, Nick Braun and Adam Wenstrup.



Banns of Marriage

BANNS III: Eric Wooten and Elizabeth Spitzig
April 12, 2008 at St. Thomas More Church

BANNS I: Craig Wright and Melissa Swarts
April 26, 2008 at St. Thomas More Church



Youth Ministry

ROC Youth Meetings: Meetings, April 6, 13, 20 & 27 will be the regular ROC meetings.

- ❖ Sewing Ministry will meet on April 17 from 6-8pm in MMH. All are welcome and more hands are needed!
- ❖ Rosarymakers will meet on April 18 from 6-8pm in MMH. All ages are invited.

CROP 'TIL YOU DROP: fundraising scrapbook event will be on Saturday, April 19, from 9am-3pm. All guests will be \$25.00 at the door.

Parish Events



JULYFEST 2008: Congratulations to **Joanne Buchanan** who was the JulyFest Grand Raffle WINNER for March. Joanne won \$50!! Remember to turn in your Grand Raffle tickets by the end of April to be entered in the April drawing for a chance at \$50. If you haven't picked up your Grand Raffle tickets yet, you can find them in the alcove by the east doors of church, please pick them up by April 13th to ease our postage costs!!

Thank You!!

Thank you and Godspeed to **Margaret Osinski**. Margaret is retiring from the Music Director's job and will be spending more time with her husband John, who has retired from Ford. They will be spending more time traveling together and enjoying children and grandchildren. Margaret is not saying goodbye to St. Thomas More since she will be our number one substitute musician. She'll still be filling in for vacations, weddings, funerals, etc. **Good luck, Margaret!**

We'll be introducing our new Music Director, **Terry Wenninger**, in one of the next editions of the bulletin or Community Connection. **Welcome Terry!**

Readings for: April 13th – 4th Sunday of Easter (A)

First Reading: Acts 2:14a, 36-41

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:20b-25

Gospel: John 10:1-10

Faith Formation

UPCOMING DATES:

April 15 – Confirmation Session #4

April 16 – Mom's Monthly

April 26 – First Communion Retreat

April 27 – Catechist End of the Year Brunch

IT'S TIME TO REGISTER CHILDREN FOR OUR PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR): Children involved in our PSR program receive knowledge of the faith, experience the liturgy and sacraments. It is our hope that you will register your children for PSR so that they can grow in their relationship with Christ and our Church. We are asking that **all registrations be completed by Sunday, April 27th**. This is crucial in order for us to plan for adequate materials and teachers in the fall. Forms can be found in the back of church and online at www.sttm.org. If you have any questions, call Becky at 753-2548 or Kate at 753-2550.

CONFIRMATION PREP SESSION #4: On Tuesday, April 15, our confirmation candidates will be reflecting on the role of the Holy Spirit in the growth of their conscience, the call to be reconcilers and how the Eucharist changes us. Pray that they may be strengthened to become a sign and witness of God's presence and love to all they meet.

FIRST COMMUNION RETREAT: On Saturday, April 26, we will be having our First Communion Retreat! As we prepare for our retreat day, reflect on what you hope the Eucharist will nourish in your child. Please plan on being in the parish dining hall by 8:30 am. We have five exciting stations for parent and child to experience, followed by a wonderful lunch and concluding with a talk from Fr. Bill. We look forward to sharing this unique day with you.

Miscellaneous

"GIFT OF SIGHT" PROGRAM: The Southeastern Ecumenical Ministry (SEM) is sponsoring a used eyeglass collection to help the Gift of Sight program which collects, repairs, classifies and hand delivers used glasses on international optical missions to developing countries. Since 1988 they have provided free eye care and glasses to more than 4 million people around the world. You can help by bringing in your old eyeglasses which you no longer use and placing them in the box provided in the vestibule. Thanks for your past and future help! It means so much to so many! If you have any questions, call Jody Bridges, 752-6569.

WHO IS THE HEART OF YOUR HOME: We invite you to join us for an **Afternoon Gathering** to hear about the love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the **Enthronement of His Sacred Heart** in your home. All are welcome to spend from 3:00-4:00 p.m., Sunday April 27, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Heritage Hall, to learn of Jesus' promise to "bless every place in which the image of my Sacred Heart shall be exposed and honored." Simple steps will be offered to help you enthrone your home. Receive a complete packet of materials for \$10.00. **To RSVP, call Kathy Brannen at 752-7196 at your earliest conveniences or by Friday, April 18, 2008.**

St. Vincent de Paul Society

ST. THOMAS MORE HOUSE: All the renovations to the St. Thomas More house have been completed. We would like to **THANK** all who made the renovations possible; also all who donated the needed furniture items. Your continued support of our ministry is deeply appreciated. **May God Bless You All!**

Parish Stewardship

	Actual	Budget
March 30, 2008:	\$11,846.87	\$13,000.00
YTD:	\$616,223.14	\$608,900.00
YTD Collection <i>Over Budget:</i>		\$7,323.14
426 Envelopes Returned Sunday March 30:		\$10,958.27
Loose Change March 30:		\$888.60
OTHER COLLECTION:		
St. Vincent de Paul		\$3,733.43
Outstanding Debt:	\$993,216.69	
Unpaid Interest on Debt:	<u>\$511,116.66</u>	
Total Due Archdiocese:	<u>\$1,504,333.35</u>	
EXPENSES:		
Notable Expenses Paid 3/29/08:		\$4,964.68
Easter Flowers		\$780.50

REMEMBER ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH IN YOUR WILL!

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, April 12

4:00 pm **Lectors** – Sam Geonetta, Janet Tate
Eucharistic Ministers – Jenny Barnes, Donald Weber, Michelle Emerling, Lisa Miller, Jane Pearce, Dennis Lahey, Duane Bradley, Theresa Bradley
Servers – Austin Shaffer, Paige Noday, Heather Denison, Danielle Schaefer, Abby Simpson
Greeters – Gail Convery, Jane Pearce, Emily Bradley
Ushers – Jerry Barnes, Gene Johnson, Don Tate

Sunday, April 13

8:00 am **Lectors** – Janelle Jessie, Jerry Philpot
Eucharistic Ministers – Dianna Kennedy, Patti McMullen, Gregory Snodgrass, Paul Brandt, Patricia Rieck, Patricia Tussey, Tony Ramundo, Pat Ramundo
Servers – Peter Brandt, Christopher Feist, Haley Stultz, Benjamin Schmidt, Garrett Guthrie
Greeters – Helen Fehn, Steve Friebele, Nancy Guertin
Ushers – Paul Guertin, Joe Guertin, Bill Imbus, George Hoffman

10:00 am **Lectors** – Barbara Hammond, Eva Grachek
Eucharistic Ministers – Deacon, Catalina Handleton, Margaret Pangburn, Jeff Burgess, Tim McGrath, Ann Kamphaus, James Smith, Julie Smith
Servers – Travis Gallivan, Leah Bartel, Daniel Guerrette, Tanner Cardone, Kyle Cardone
Greeters – Staderman Family
Ushers – Joe Thumann, Joanne Buchanan, Mike Hicks, David Wynn

12:00 pm **Lectors** – Mary Lou Mulvey, Victoria Aicholtz
Eucharistic Ministers – Deacon, Karen Trautmann, Melissa Kellerman, Melissa Beverly, Chaelon Brennan, Terrill Denton, Gloria Saliceti, Patricia Tekulve
Servers – Lacey O'Connell, Ryan Winkler, Ryan Henning, Brett Blaha, Michele Cabel
Greeters – Sarah Nimmo, Rosemary Weimer, Terrill Denton
Ushers – Frank Brunet, Charlie Tekulve, Gary Lambert

Mass Intentions

MON. 4/7	
8:30 am	Communion Service
TUES. 4/8	
8:30 am	† Helen Chirco/Aunt Barb
WED. 4/9	
8:30 am	† Barbara Reck/Perry Family
THUR. 4/10	
8:30 am	† Alice Abney/Pat Fieno
FRI. 4/11	
9:00 am	† Pete Tekulve/The Tekulve Family
SAT. 4/12	
4:00 pm	† Edmund Fritz/Alice Kolarek
SUN. 4/13	
8:00 am	† Joan Amend/Rita Hauck
10:00 am	Lori & Dan Casnellie/25 th Wedding Anniversary
12:00 pm	People of the Parish

† = Deceased

Parish Information

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, April 13, at 11:00 am in Class Room 7. Please call the parish office to register – 753-2550.

OPERATION RICE BOWL: If you have not returned your Operation Rice Bowl donation boxes, please try to return them by the end of the week. **Thank you to all who participated in this Lenten program!**

MEMBERS OF BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE FOOD TEAMS: dishes returned from families are on the table in the vestibule. Please pick up what belongs to you. Dishes left here will be donated to St. Vincent de Paul. **Thanks for your help!**

STM PTO SCRIP PROGRAM INFORMATION: Weekly or bi-weekly Scrip updates and order requests can be sent to you via email. Please send your email address to Lori Knight at Lknight126@aol.com. This is a great way for parishioners to participate in the Scrip program. If you do not have internet access, you can call Lori Knight at 753-0178 with your order. Payment and pick-up/delivery arrangements will be made on an individual basis via email or phone. Paper order forms are still available on the bulletin boards outside of Church. Most weekends, Scrips inventory are available for purchase after the Saturday 4 p.m., and Sunday 10 a.m. and 12 p.m. Masses in the Church vestibule.

A list of Scrip vendors is available at www.shopwithscrip.com. Local vendors who are not listed on the web site include: McDonald's (\$5), Skyline (\$5, \$10, \$20), El Coyote (\$25), Tim's Jewelry (any denomination available) and Bigg's (\$50). New vendors added this year include: Uno's (\$25), Great Clips (\$25), and Wal-Mart/Sam's (\$25, \$100, \$250).

PTO funds several school-related items: bus transportation for field trips, fine arts events, library purchases, community building events, teacher general expenses, scholarships, etc. The 2007 - 2008 PTO Board has also pledged \$250 to be given to the parish financial aid fund as well as \$1,000 to go towards the parish debt. **Thank you for your support!!!**

THANK YOU to all who helped to make our Easter Liturgies so special!!