

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, V.F., 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 Ditehen	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

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Principal, Peg Fischer 753-2540

School Office, Dee Areher 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, March 23

7:30 pm SVDP - Fr. Wack Library

### Tuesday, March 24

6:30 pm Zumba - Fr. Heider Hall

7:00 pm Social Justice - Fr. Wack Library

7:00 pm Dad's Group - Library

### Wednesday, March 25

8:30 am School Mass

9:30 am Bible Study - Faith Formation Room

1:00 pm Book Club - Faith Formation Room

5:00 pm Feed the Hungry - Parish Dining Hall

**7:00 pm PARISH MISSION - CHURCH**

**No Evening Bible Study**

### Thursday, March 26

**7:00 pm PARISH MISSION - CHURCH**

### Friday, March 27

10:00 am Adoration

5:00 pm Fish Fry - Parish Dining Hall

**7:30 pm Way of the Cross & Benediction - Church**



### Saturday, March 28

**8:30 am RCIA Retreat**

9:00 am Clean the Church

3:00 pm Confessions

### Sunday, March 29

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 - Faith Formation Room

**12:00 am Mass - RCIA Third Scrutiny**

6:00 pm Youth Ministry - More Martyr Hall

## FAMILY TALK - 4th Sunday in Lent

**GOSPEL FOCUS:** (John 3:14-21) Those who seek the darkness of sin cannot be saved.

**REFLECTION:** Through faith we live in the Light and avoid darkness.

**AT HOME FOR DISCUSSION:** How do you show that you live in the light of Catholic faith?



## Prayer Intentions

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Those who have died Willard Kemper. 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, Dave Vogelgesang, Verna Burnet, Ray Conti, Jr., Mary Ferrell, Lou Polk and Carol Huening. **Those who are serving in the Armed Forces:** Michael Hucker Jr., Derek Archer, Aaron Muldoon, Corey Campbell, Danny Braun, Michael Nazarovech, Randy Damron, Adam Wenstrup, Keith Deardorff and Tom Brannen, who is serving in the Peace Corps.



## Parish Information



**JULYFEST JACKPOT:** Don't forget to purchase your JulyFest Jackpot tickets. Tickets are \$20 each. **To purchase tickets please call 752-2080 Ext. 124 or stop by the Parish Office.**

**FRIDAYS IN LENT:** Adoration and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 8:30 am Mass, until 7:30 pm at which time we will pray the Stations of the Cross and close with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.



**BOY SCOUT FISH FRY:** Join us every Friday during Lent (except Good Friday) for a Fish Fry, sponsored by our **Boy Scout Troop #452**. Dinner will be served from 5:00 - 7:00 pm in the Parish Dining Hall and will include fried or baked fish, bread, cheese pizza, or shrimp, with your choice of macaroni & cheese, green beans, French fries, cole slaw or salad, drink and dessert. Price is \$8 for adults and \$6 for children. Carry out is also available. **After dinner, attend the Way of the Cross and Benediction at 7:30 p.m. in Church.**

**PARISH MISSION:** March 25 & 26, at 7:00 pm each evening. Join us for our parish mission: **"Healing Life's Hurts"**! You will want to attend the entire two evenings of the mission, to experience **NEW LIFE, HEALING, and WHOLENESS.** It will give you **SOMETHING** that you can give to others: **HOPE, HOPE IN GOD...**because **JESUS** really does make a difference. He is truly **ALIVE** and in our midst!



**EASTER EGG HUNT:** mark your calendar for our annual Easter Egg Hunt, which is scheduled for Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:15 am at the Picnic Shelter. All children third grade and younger are invited.

We need and would appreciate donations of **LARGE** Easter eggs and individually wrapped candy to fill the eggs. Please place donations in the box at the doors of church.

**Readings for: March 29 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent**

**First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34**

**Second Reading: Hebrews 5:7-9**

**Gospel: John 12:20-33**

## Faith Formation

### UPCOMING DATES:

**March 25 & 26** – Parish Mission

**March 28** – RCIA Retreat

**April 11** – Easter Vigil

**April 15** – Mom's Monthly

**April 15** – Rosary Prayer Service

**April 25** – First Communion Retreat

**April 30** – Confirmation Rehearsal

**WHAT ARE THE RCIA SCRUTINIES:** The purpose of the scrutinies that you see at mass this month is to free those who are not yet baptized from everything that holds them bound to an old way of living. In essence it is a minor exorcism, not the Linda-Blair-possessed-by-the-devil movie version. The baptismal meaning is a lot better. In the initiation rites, an exorcism is recognition that there is evil in the world. The "worldly" don't fully recognize or accept the power of Christ and are more susceptible to the power of evil than are the baptized who have formed their consciences diligently and consistently live their Catholic faith. The scrutinies are prayers imploring that the unbaptized will be liberated from the power of evil and freed by the power of Christ. Please pray for them during this important series of rites leading up to their being baptized at the Easter Vigil.

**INVITATION TO BOOK LOVERS:** The St. Thomas More Book Club has chosen their next book. This time we will be reading **"Meet Padre Pio"** by Patricia Treece. If you are interested in joining us every Wednesday at 1:00, call Becky at 753-2548 or email her at [bready@stm.org](mailto:bready@stm.org).

## Youth Ministry

**ROC YOUTH MINISTRY:** Next meeting will be Sunday, March 22.



**The Joseph F. Connelly 2009 Junior High Summer C.A.M.P. (Catholic And Mighty Proud!)**

Junior High Summer Leadership CAMP is a weekend of fun, exciting learning experiences for incoming 7th and 8th graders. JH youth will learn about God and the Catholic faith through innovative and interactive discovery sessions. We're

**RAISING THE BAR** by nurturing JH Youth to be Catholic servant-leaders and disciples of Jesus Christ.

When: June 12-14, 2009 (Friday evening to Sunday noon)

Where: **Athletes in Action** in Xenia, OH

Cost: \$95.00 per person; \$115 after May 15, 2009 (includes 4 meals, lodging, retreat materials and t-shirt).

For more information and registration forms, go to:

[www.CatholicCincinnati.org/youthmin](http://www.CatholicCincinnati.org/youthmin)

## Miscellaneous

**"THE WAY OF LOVE" – LENTEN Pro life Rosary Walks...prayer changes hearts and minds.**

Come on the final 3 Sundays of LENT, March 22, 29, and April 5 (Palm Sunday), from 2-3 pm. Meet at Burnet Woods Bandstand (across from Good Sam) and proceed in penance around the block encompassing the abortion site on Jefferson Ave. For more information call 513-314-9121 or log on to [www.TheWayofLove.org](http://www.TheWayofLove.org).



**URSULINE ACADEMY:** is conducting it's 12<sup>th</sup> Annual **Dream House Raffle.** WIN \$150,000 in CASH or \$200,000 towards a new home or 49 other prizes. Tickets are \$100 each or 3 for \$250. For information or tickets visit [www.uaraffle.org](http://www.uaraffle.org) or call 513-791-5794 ext. 1218. The drawing is April 24, 2009.

**Parish Stewardship**

	Actual	Budget
March 15:	\$12,552.99	\$13,000.00
YTD:	\$594,048.80	\$596,000.00
YTD Collection <i>Under Budget</i> :		\$1,951.20
478 Envelopes Returned Sunday March 15:		\$11,755.48
Loose Change March 15:		\$797.51
<b>OTHER COLLECTION:</b>		
Outstanding Debt:	\$913,216.65	
Unpaid Interest on Debt:	<u>\$558,433.74</u>	
Total Due Archdiocese:	<u>\$1,471,650.39</u>	
<b>EXPENSES:</b>		
Total Expenses Paid week ending 3/14/09		\$34,075.18
Notable Expenses Paid:		
Health Care Premiums - March		\$18,495.19
High School Equalization		\$2,100.56
Copier Expenses		\$1,259.42

**REMEMBER ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH IN YOUR WILL!**

**Liturgical Ministers**

**Saturday, March 28**

4:00 pm **Lectors** – Janet Tate, Mary Lou Mulvey  
**Eucharistic Ministers** – Deacon, Ginny Rottinghaus, Charles Rottinghaus, Michelle Emerling, Jane Pearce, Dennis Lahey, Larry Bush, Donald Weber  
**Servers** – Danielle Piening, Emily Rivard, Jessica Flake, Matt Mersman, Joy Neltner  
**Greeters** – Gail Convery, Jerry Edwards, Jane Pearce  
**Ushers** – Jerry Barnes, Gene Johnson, Don Tate

**Sunday, March 29**

8:00 am **Lectors** – Charles Randolph, Nelson Seip  
**Eucharistic Ministers** – Deacon, Pat Ramundo, Tony Ramundo, Diane Meisman, Mary Opp, Patti McMullen, Patricia Tussey, Paul Brandt  
**Servers** – Sean McNamara, Benjamin Schmidt, Jeff Casavant, Peter Brandt, David Fehn  
**Greeters** – Steve Friebele, Nancy Guertin, Sylvia Guthrie  
**Ushers** – Bill Imbus, George Hoffman, Joe Guertin, Bob Guenther

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10:00 am **Lectors** – Lisa Hartman, Tom Kiefer  
**Eucharistic Ministers** – Deacon, Ann Kamphaus, Tammy Schneider, Cindy Robinson, Karen Klysz, Penny Barton, Ray Neltner, Tim McGrath  
**Servers** – Jennifer Foltz, Daniel Guerrette, Rachel McGrath, Brian Rastani, Hannah Taylor  
**Greeters** – Darline Foltz, Ray Neltner, Rob Pairan, Shelby Pairan  
**Ushers** – Mike Hicks, Lee Knause, David Wynn, Joanne Buchanan

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12:00 pm **Lectors** – Patricia Tekulve, Barbara Hammond  
**Eucharistic Ministers** – Deacon, Megan Farwick, Gloria Saliceti, Karen Trautmann, Chelsea Ritter, Mary Brock, Jacqueline Moore, Jeffrey Moore  
**Servers** – Alex Willenbrink, Matt Ketchum, Erin Ketchum, Brett Blaha, Taylor Cunningham  
**Greeters** – Rosemary Weimer, Maureen Crowley, Dee Archer  
**Ushers** – Gary Lambert, Frank Brunet, Charlie Tekulve

**Mass Intentions**

**MON. 3/23**  
 8:30 am Communion Service

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**TUES. 3/24**  
 8:30 am † Joseph Doogan/Jeff & Annette Hinton & Family

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**WED. 3/25**  
 8:30 am † Brian Rosenberger/Mom & Dad

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**THUR. 3/26**  
 8:30 am † Virginia Tonges/John Burke

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**FRI. 3/27**  
 8:30 am † Robert & Teresa Baum/Ken Dietz

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**SAT. 3/28**  
 4:00 pm People of the Parish

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**SUN. 3/29**  
 8:00 am † Margaret Buerk/Bonnie Buerk & Kathy Forrester  
 10:00 am † Gioan Kim Duong D. CAO/BA Nguyen H. Phong  
 12:00 pm † Ed Fritz/The Fritz Family

† = Deceased

**Parish Information**

 Archbishop Pilarczyk sends his thanks to everyone from **St. Thomas More Parish** who pledged to the 2009 Catholic Ministries Appeal during Catholic Ministries Appeal Weekend. If you have not yet made your gift, please consider making a pledge this weekend. You can pick up a pledge information packet with pledge form in the back of the church. For more information please visit [www.catholicappeal.info](http://www.catholicappeal.info) or call 513-421-3131.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** Sunday, March 29, is the fifth Sunday of the month and the **second collection** will be for the work of our **SVDP Society**. Please be generous, as we have had many requests for assistance due to the state of the economy.




**May God bless you all!!**



**NEED A SPIRITUAL BREAK?** Join your fellow parishioners of St. Thomas More Parish for an overnight retreat at **St. Meinrad Abby in Indiana** on May 13 and May 14. We will drive to the retreat center to arrive on Wednesday afternoon for vespers and dinner. Our retreat master, former **Archabbot Bonaventure Knaebel**, will give two presentations; one on Wednesday evening and the other on Thursday morning on **"Six Roads to Inner Peace"**. We will return after lunch on Thursday. The total cost including lodging, three meals and conference fees is \$90 for a single and \$145 for a couple.

Please make your check out to St. Thomas More, write St. Meinrad in the memo field on your check, and remit it to the parish office as soon as possible but no later than **Wednesday, April 1, 2009**. We have reserved 22 rooms which will be allocated on a first come first serve basis.

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 **THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** are sponsoring **"A Night at the Races"** on Saturday, May 9, 2009. There will be dinner, races and raffles. The Msgr. Gerdes Hall is located at 1800 Ohio Pike, across from Wal-Mart. Tickets are \$10.00 per person in advance only and you must be 21 years old to attend. Doors open at 5:30 PM. Eat, have fun and help the Knights help others. If you have questions or want to order tickets, please call (513)797-8868 or email MGK - [racess@roadrunner.com](mailto:racess@roadrunner.com).