

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 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

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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, August 4

9:00 am Day Bible Camp  
6:00 pm Evening Bible Camp

### Tuesday, August 5

9:00 am Day Bible Camp  
11:30 am Chancellor's Club Luncheon - O'Charley's Eastgate  
6:00 pm Evening Bible Camp

### Wednesday, August 6

9:00 am Day Bible Camp  
9:30 am Bible Study - Faith Formation Room  
1:00 pm Book Club - Faith Formation Room  
6:00 pm Evening Bible Camp

### Thursday, August 7

9:00 am Day Bible Camp  
6:00 pm Evening Bible Camp  
6:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal - Church  
7:00 pm STMEC - Fr. Wack Library  
7:00 pm Elizabeth Ministry - Faith Formation Room

### Friday, August 8

9:00 am Day Bible Camp  
10:00 am Adoration  
6:00 pm Evening Bible Camp  
6:30 pm Wedding - Church

### Saturday, August 9

8:00 am Elizabeth Ministry - Library  
9:00 am Clean Church  
3:00 pm Confessions

### Sunday, August 10

11:00 am Baptismal Prep Class - Conference Room B

## **FAMILY TALK - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**GOSPEL FOCUS:** (Matthew 14:13-21) Jesus provides the nourishment for those who gather to hear his word.

**REFLECTION:** The kingdom is like this: a new people living together in God's presence, receiving the abundance of God's life.

**AT HOME FOR DISCUSSION:** What do you most need God to accomplish for 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 and Tex Meranda.

**Those who are serving in the Armed Forces:** Michael Hucker Jr., Derek Archer, Aaron Muldoon, Jonathon Stewart, Corey Campbell, Nick Braun, Michael Nazarovch, Randy Damron and Adam Wenstrup.



### Banns of Marriage

**BANNS III:** Jeffrey Sears and Kimberly Knause  
August 8, 2008 at St. Thomas More



### Miscellaneous

“Join **Holy Trinity Church in Batavia**, for their summer festival. The casino is open Friday evening, August 8, beginning at 7 pm. On Saturday, August 9, enjoy full festival fare including a Wii tournament (winner takes home a Wii), a 4-wheeler giveaway, the main raffle, bid&buy, children’s games, food and more. Call 732-2677 for more details.”

**A CARING PLACE:** is celebrating their **10 Year Anniversary** with an **Open House** today Aug. 3, from 1 pm to 3 pm. Join them for lunch, door prizes, children’s activities and tours of the center.

**ST. LOUIS HOMECOMING FESTIVAL: Chicken & Roast Beef Dinner** served from 11:30 am – 7:00 pm today Aug 3. Tickets available at the door.

### Welcome Home!



**Dale Manning** has returned home safely from Iraq. We thank him and all those serving in our military for their selfless acts! Please remember to keep our military in your prayers.

### Thank You!

Today marks a significant milestone in the history of our parish. Our **Contemporary Group** of musicians, who usually play the noon Mass, are retiring from this ministry after almost 18 years of service to the parish. **Bill Hofbauer** has headed the group for the entire time! Some members of the group began playing when they were students and continued to serve faithfully for many years.

Because of changing employment situations and the demands of time, the group has decided this is the time to bring this tradition to an end. The parish should be grateful for so many people giving so many years of service for our liturgy.

**May God bless them all!**

**Readings for: August 10 – 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**First Reading:** 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a  
**Second Reading:** Romans 9:1-5  
**Gospel:** Matthew 14:22-33

### Faith Formation

#### UPCOMING DATES:

**Aug. 23** – Catechist Orientation Day

**Sept. 7** – 1<sup>st</sup> Day of PSR, Children’s Liturgy & RCIA Inquiry

**PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR) PROGRAM:** We are in need of a lead catechist for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and assistant catechists for 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup>. With only a few short weeks before PSR begins, we really need to know who can help us in this critical ministry of teaching and passing on our faith. We provide all the teacher guides, resources and help to run your class and make it special. Parents, college students or retired—all are welcomed as well as teaching pairs that would share a class. If you are interested call Becky at 753-2548 or email her at [bready@sttm.org](mailto:bready@sttm.org).

**MANDATE TO PROTECT OUR CHILDREN:** Everyone who works around children including those who teach them, must be fingerprinted and certified by having taken the child protection workshop and by being fingerprinted by the archdiocese. **If you are interested in becoming a catechist, before you begin working with the children you must be certified.**

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?** RCIA stands for the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. This is the church’s process for preparing people to be initiated as Catholic Christians and to join the Church’s communal life. Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic? If so, call Becky at 753-2548 or email her at [bready@sttm.org](mailto:bready@sttm.org).

**ARE YOU ONE WHO SEEKS SPIRITUAL PASSAGES?** The title of the next book the St. Thomas More Book club will be starting in August is *Spiritual Passages* by the wise and witty Fr. Benedict Groeschel. If your heart is drawn to pursuing the spiritual life, come and join us on Wednesdays at 1:00 in the Faith Formation Room. Call Becky at 753-2548 or email her at [bready@sttm.org](mailto:bready@sttm.org) to order your book.

### 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, August 10, at 11:00 am in Conference Room B. Please call the parish office to register – 753-2550.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMISSION:** is asking for help in cooking hot meals for 20 people at the **Clermont County Homeless Shelter**. They are in need of meat dishes, casseroles, vegetable dishes, salads, desserts, drinks, etc. The next meal will be on **Tuesday, August 5**. 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.**



**MISPRINT:** The book referenced in Deacon John Convery’s article *Your Spiritual Journey* which appeared in the July Community Connection was “The Fulfillment of All Desire” by Ralph Martin. There was a misprint of the author’s name.

**THE CHANCELLOR’S CLUB:** will be meeting on August 5, at 11:30 am for lunch at O’Charley’s Eastgate. Please call the parish office at 753-2541 to let us know you are coming.



### Parish Stewardship

	Actual	Budget
July 27, 2008	\$11,034.66	\$13,000.00
YTD thru July 27:	\$66,881.42	\$73,000.00
YTD Collection <i>Under Budget</i> :		\$6,118.58
421 Envelopes Returned July 27:		\$10,392.86
Loose Change July 27:		\$641.80

#### OTHER COLLECTION:

Outstanding Debt:	\$966,550.01
Unpaid Interest on Debt:	\$521,513.02
Total Due Archdiocese:	<u>\$1,488,063.03</u>

#### EXPENSES:

Payroll & Taxes Paid 7/31/08	\$42,355.34
Total Expenses week ending 7/26/08:	\$7,741.09
Notable Expenses Paid:	~NONE~

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

### Liturgical Ministers

#### Saturday, August 9

4:00 pm **Lectors** – Sam Geonetta, Janet Tate  
**Eucharistic Ministers** – Deacon, Donald Weber, Ginny Rottinghaus, Patricia Rieck, Dennis Lahey, Jane Pearce, Chris Bell, Jenny Barnes  
**Servers** – Emily Rivard, Danielle Piening, Nicole Piening, Katherine Kelly, Paige Noday  
**Greeters** – Hannah Schoolfield, Gail Convery, Jane Pearce  
**Ushers** – Jerry Barnes, Gene Johnson, Don Tate

#### Sunday, August 10

8:00 am **Lectors** – Janelle Jessie, Mary Lou Mulvey  
**Eucharistic Ministers** – Deacon, Thomas Brannen Barbara Comello, William Fehn, Diane Meisman, Michele Lamping, Tony Ramundo, Pat Ramundo  
**Servers** – Peter Conrady, Logan Stultz, Haley Stultz, Lauren Lamping, Benjamin Schmidt  
**Greeters** – Helen Fehn, Steve Friebele, Nancy Guertin  
**Ushers** – Paul Guertin, Joe Guertin, Bob Guenther, George Hoffman

10:00 am **Lectors** – Eva Grachek, Connie Stricker  
**Eucharistic Ministers** – Deacon, Patricia Lindsey, Kathy Hornschemeier, Garry Burke, Karen Klysz, Jeff Burgess, Cindy Robinson, Patricia Tussey  
**Servers** – Andrew Clement, Samuel Bechtol, Connor Nelson, Tanner Cardone, Kyle Cardone  
**Greeters** – Sandra Bishop, Ray Neltner, Rachel Neltner  
**Ushers** – Lynn Austin, Rob Pairan, Shelby Pairan, Joe Thumann, Lee Knause

12:00 pm **Lectors** – Ann Tekulve, Doreen Noble  
**Eucharistic Ministers** – Deacon, Melissa Kellerman, Karen Trautmann, Mary Brock, Bill Crawford, Susan Crawford, Terrill Denton, Carol Woerner  
**Servers** – Matt Ketchum, Kiersten Scales, Stacy Howell, Katie Farr, Jimmy Lindsey  
**Greeters** – Sarah Nimmo, Rosemary Weimer, Terrill Denton  
**Ushers** – Gary Lambert, Frank Brunet, Charlie Tekulve

**PSR starts on September 7.** You still have time to register your children if you have not already done so. Forms can be found in the church vestibule and on our website at [www.sttm.org](http://www.sttm.org). Please call the parish office at 753-2550 if you have any questions or need help with the forms.

### Mass Intentions

#### MON. 8/4

8:30 am Communion Service

#### TUES. 8/5

8:30 am † Norma Zoz/Marie Caruso

#### WED. 8/6

8:30 am † Louis Grieco/Ruby & Kathy Grieco

#### THUR. 8/7

8:30 am † Bernardino Fieno/Cheryl Tansky

#### FRI. 8/8

8:30 am † Marion Hilgefert/Jim Hilgefert

#### SAT. 8/9

4:00 pm † Bill Brokamp/John Burke

#### SUN. 8/10

8:00 am † Mary Lee Burbage/C.W. White

10:00 am People of the Parish

12:00 pm † Al Miller/Charlene, Tom & David

† = Deceased

### JulyFest

**JULYFEST THANK-YOU!!!** Thank you to everyone who volunteered to make JulyFest 2008 a success! It takes approximately 500 volunteers and as always the St. Thomas More family came through. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the following groups for their assistance with parking, & clean-up: **Scouts from Troop 452 & Super 8 participants**—you did an awesome job and it is appreciated. **A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU** to **Gary Farwick, Don Farwick, Chris Simpson, Adam Farwick, Nick Robinson, Larry Bush, Don Kamphaus, Mark Barton, Jim & Shannon Johnson, Amy McMath, Brian Jones, Jamie Hinman, Rich Adams and Matt Stock** for their nightly help during set-up. Also a word of **THANKS** to **Mike Gennett, Kate Roelker, Donna Buchheit and Diane Brennan** for their help before and during the festival. We would also like to give a well deserved **THANK YOU** to our **area chairs** for their dedication and time given before, during & after festival: **Finance- Linda Young; Beer- Bill & Amie Imbus; Beer Ticket Sales- Neil & Dena Desrosiers; Casino- Dick Schuler, Ed McCarty and Joey Accordino; Bid-N-Buy- John & Buffy Clements, Lisa Evans; Food- Karen Mersman, Missy Frazier & Fred Schoolfield; Children's- Lori Knight; Midway- Doreen Noble, Judy Lance & Paula Mandizha and Volunteers- Gwen Farwick.**

Be sure to mark your calendars for **JulyFest 2009** which will be held on **July 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>**—See you there!!!

**Jeff & Rhonda Roberts, Dave McCarthy General Co-Chairs**

"I wish to extend my deepest gratitude to all who volunteered at **JulyFest** this year. This is my 5th year coordinating the volunteers for our Big Event, and I have to say this was, to my thinking, our smoothest year in many, many areas.

JulyFest requires the time and talent of many people - we have estimated 500+ in the past but I really believe it is far more than that - if time had permitted, I would have counted what was needed.

Nonetheless, the contribution of so many is greatly appreciated as we sure put on a great party and the success is obvious year after year! **Thank you again!"**

Gwen Farwick  
Volunteer Chair