

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, September 15

7:00 pm Parish Council - Parish Dining Hall

### Tuesday, September 16

7:00 pm Zumba - Fr. Heider Hall  
7:00 pm Choir - Church

### Wednesday, September 17

9:30 am Bible Study - Faith Formation Room  
1:00 pm Book Club - Faith Formation Room  
7:00 pm MOMs Monthly - Faith Formation Room  
7:30 pm CRHP Men - Library  
7:30 pm Evening Bible Study - Conference Room C

### Thursday, September 18

6:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal - Church  
6:00 pm Sewing Ministry - More Martyr Hall  
7:00 pm Worship Commission - Library

### Friday, September 19

8:30 am School Mass  
10:00 am Adoration  
6:00 pm Rosary Makers - More Martyr Hall  
7:00 pm Wedding - Church

### Saturday, September 20

7:00 am Answer the Call - More Martyr Hall  
9:00 am Clean Church  
3:00 pm Confessions

### Sunday, September 21

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  
**11:00 am Preschool Parent Orientation - Parish Dining Hall**  
11:00 am RCIA Inquiry - Faith Formation Room  
6:00 pm Youth Ministry - More Martyr Hall

## **FAMILY TALK - Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

**"GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY SON, SO THAT HE WHO BELIEVES IN HIM MIGHT NOT PERISH BUT MIGHT HAVE ETERNAL LIFE".**

### Prayer Intentions

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Those who have died Gino Dimario. 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, Tex Meranda, Jerry Barnes, Janet Myrick 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, Jonathon Stewart, Corey Campbell, Nick Braun, Michael Nazarovch, Randy Damron and Adam Wenstrup.



### Banns of Marriage



**BANNS III:** Christopher Davenport & Julie O'Connor  
September 19, 2008 at St. Thomas More



### School News



**SCHOOL MAGAZINE DRIVE:** STM School's annual Magazine Drive is coming this month! Proceeds help to support many events and programs for our school. This is our biggest fund raiser of the year, so please renew or subscribe through your favorite student. If you do not have a student enrolled in our school, you may call the school office at 753-2540 to obtain a catalog and order form. Watch the Sunday bulletin and school update for more details.



**YANKEE CANDLE SALE:** St. Thomas More **Class of 2009** will be selling Yankee Candles to raise funds for their Washington, DC trip following all masses this weekend. **Please support our youth!**

### Thank You!

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:** would like to thank all those who contributed to the SVDP fifth Sunday collection. Without the support of the parish, the St. Vincent de Paul ministry would not be in a position to continue to help those less fortunate. Your **generosity and support** is deeply appreciated!

*Thank you and God bless you!!*

### Youth Ministry

**ROC (RELY ON CHRIST) YOUTH MINISTRY:** Youth in grades 6-12 are invited to join us in MMH from 6-8 pm every Sunday. We will meet this month on the 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup>.

**SEWING MINISTRY** meets Sept. 18 from 6-8 pm in MMH. More donations of fabric goodies have arrived so come and help us make lovely things!

**ROSARY MAKERS** meet on Sept. 19. This is the last chance to make our goal for our October 7 event, so please plan to join us and help us out

**Readings for: September 21 – 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**First Reading:** Isaiah 55:6-9

**Second Reading:** Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a

**Gospel:** Matthew 20:1-16a

### Faith Formation

#### UPCOMING DATES:

**Sept. 17** – Mom's Monthly

**Sept. 21** – Catechist Sunday and PSR Preschool Orientation

**Sept. 28** – PSR Preschool Sessions begin

**NEW!! FEEDBACK ON PSR NEEDED!!** We have created a new survey that we would like every PSR family to answer. We have made it easy for you to take this survey. Just go to [www.sttm.org](http://www.sttm.org), click on "Children's Faith Formation" and you will see the link to the PSR survey. If you have any questions, just email [bready@sttm.org](mailto:bready@sttm.org).

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?** The *JOURNEY OF FAITH* begins with your questions. Sessions for the Rite of Christian Initiation is the church's process for preparing people to be initiated as Catholic Christians. Our inquiry sessions will be every **Sunday in September at 11:00 am in the Faith Formation Room**. For questions, call Becky at 753-2548 or email her at [bready@sttm.org](mailto:bready@sttm.org).

## PRESCHOOL PARENT ORIENTATION IS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup> AT 11:00 AM IN THE PARISH DINING HALL

**SUNDAY CHILD CARE:** We will again be offering Child Care for children ages 1 - 2 during the 10:00 am mass in the kindergarten room. If you are interested in your child participating, please fill out a registration form found in the vestibule, in the parish office or on line at [www.sttm.org](http://www.sttm.org). **Remember:** your child **MUST BE REGISTERED BEFORE** he/she can participate. *Once all the requirements are met, you will receive an email stating your child may participate in the Sunday Child Care Program.* For questions, please call Kate at 753-2550 or email Becky at [bready@sttm.org](mailto:bready@sttm.org).

**HONORING OUR CATECHISTS:** Sunday, September 21, at the 10 am Mass, we will honor and bless those people in our parish who have chosen to be catechists this year. **Please pray for them throughout this coming year.**

### Miscellaneous

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** Monsignor Gerdes Council #3123 will be having an **Open House** on Wednesday, September 17 from 7:30 – 9:00 pm. Anyone interested in learning more about the Knights of Columbus is invited to the Open House located at 1800 State Route 125 in Amelia. Families are welcome. If you have any questions please contact Greg Feldkamp at 310-9958 or email [GJF357@zoomtown.com](mailto:GJF357@zoomtown.com).



**FINGERPRINTING OPPORTUNITY:** As you already know all volunteers must obtain a positive fingerprint report and attend an orientation session for the Decree on Child Protection before they begin working with children, including anyone who wants to volunteer, even for one day. We strongly urge **ALL** STM and PSR parents to become certified. To make it easy for everyone, we will have all the equipment necessary to fingerprint you right here on site at St. Thomas More on Sunday, September 28 between 9:00 am and 2:00 pm! Also, on that date, following each Mass at 9:00, 11:00 and 1:00 we will be offering the workshop on child protection in the parish dining hall. If you have not been certified, we strongly urge you to mark your calendars for this date. For questions or more information, please email [bready@sttm.org](mailto:bready@sttm.org), [principal@sttm.org](mailto:principal@sttm.org) or [dbrennan@sttm.org](mailto:dbrennan@sttm.org).

**Parish Stewardship**

|                                     | Actual       | Budget       |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| September 7, 2008                   | \$22,507.75  | \$21,000.00  |
| YTD thru September 7:               | \$160,482.72 | \$167,000.00 |
| YTD Collection <i>Under Budget:</i> |              | \$6,517.28   |
| 580 Envelopes Returned September 7: |              | \$21,752.09  |
| Loose Change September 7:           |              | \$755.66     |
| <b>OTHER COLLECTION:</b>            |              |              |
| Vision 2000                         |              | \$1,065.50   |
| Debt Reduction                      |              | \$1,661.98   |

|                          |                       |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Outstanding Debt:        | \$953,216.67          |
| Unpaid Interest on Debt: | <u>\$535,287.70</u>   |
| Total Due Archdiocese:   | <u>\$1,488,504.37</u> |

**EXPENSES:**

|                                    |             |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Payroll & Taxes Paid 9/15/08       | \$46,799.36 |
| Total Expenses week ending 9/6/08: | \$21,110.63 |
| Notable Expenses Paid:             |             |
| Debt & Interest Payment            | \$8,333.33  |
| Asst Office Equipment              | \$1,260.77  |

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

**Liturgical Ministers**

**Saturday, September 20**

4:00 pm **Lectors** – Janet Tate, Duane Bradley  
**Eucharistic Ministers** – Deacon, Michelle Emerling, Ginny Rottinghaus, Donald Weber, Jane Pearce, Larry Bush, Dennis Lahey, Jenny Barnes  
**Servers** – Joy Neltner, Danielle & Megan Schaefer, Daniel Guerrette, Sean McNamara, Paige Noday  
**Greeters** – Hannah Schoolfield, Jane Pearce  
**Ushers** – Jerry Barnes, Gene Johnson, Don Tate

**Sunday, September 21**

8:00 am **Lectors** – Charles Randolph, Jerry Philpot  
**Eucharistic Ministers** – Deacon, Thomas Brannen, Tony Ramundo, Barbara Comello, Michele Lamping, William Fehn, Kathy Senior, Gregory Senior  
**Servers** – Alex Willenbrink, Christopher Feist, Jeff Casavant, Garrett Guthrie, Peter Conrady  
**Greeters** – Helen Fehn, Steve Friebele, Sylvia Guthrie  
**Ushers** – Paul Guertin, Joe Guertin, Bill Imbus, George Hoffman

10:00 am **Lectors** – Jeff Burgess, Eva Grachek  
**Eucharistic Ministers** – Deacon, Catalina Handleton, Tammy Schneider, Patricia Lindsey, Garry Burke, Ray Neltner, James Smith, Julie Smith  
**Servers** – Tatenda Mandizha, Paxton Knight, Taylor Cunningham, Kyle Cardone, Tanner Cardone  
**Greeters** – Laurie Bagley, Rob Pairan, Shelby Pairan, David Kiefer  
**Ushers** – Mike Hicks, Lynn Austin, Lee Knause, Joe Thumann

12:00 pm **Lectors** – Richard Schuler, Doreen Noble  
**Eucharistic Ministers** – Mary Brock, Chaelon Brennan, Gloria Saliceti, Darline Foltz, Paul Brandt, Jacqueline Moore, Terrill Denton, Jim O'Donnell  
**Servers** – Steven Schimpf, Ashley Taylor, Katie Feldkamp, Erin Ketchum, Matt Ketchum  
**Greeters** – Julie Kiefer, Terrill Denton, Dee Archer  
**Ushers** – Gary Lambert, Frank Brunet, Charlie Tekulve

**Mass Intentions**

**MON. 9/15**  
 8:30 am Communion Service

**TUES. 9/16**  
 8:30 am † Poor Souls in Purgatory/Purgatorial Society

**WED. 9/17**  
 8:30 am † Louis Grieco/Ruby & Kathy Grieco

**THUR. 9/18**  
 8:30 am † Helen Chirco/Mark & Marsha Cushman

**FRI. 9/19**  
 8:30 am † Bernardino Fieno/Cheryl Tansky

**SAT. 9/20**  
 4:00 pm John & Elaine Osterling 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

**SUN. 9/21**  
 8:00 am † Brian Rosenberger/Mom & Dad  
 10:00 am † Louis Iannitti/Angela Iannitti  
 12:00 pm People of the Parish

† = Deceased

**Parish Information**

**CATHOLIC TELEGRAPH:** We are required by the Archdiocese to pay for a subscription for a minimum of 50% of all registered households. The annual cost can be as high as \$18,000 a year. A subscription costs \$24 a year. What you are able to assist us in offsetting this cost will be posted as a contribution. If you are receiving the Catholic Telegraph, we would appreciate you paying our parish for the subscription. Please make your checks payable to St. Thomas More.



**DISHES:** We have had many crock pots, bowls, platters etc. left behind after parish sponsored events. These dishes and cookware have been collecting in the cafeteria for some time. If you have left behind a dish, bowl, crock pot, etc. please stop by the cafeteria, during school hours, to pick up your cookware. **Anything left after Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> will be donated to St. Vincent de Paul. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter!**



**A NOTE FROM THE MUSIC DIRECTOR:** Men and women, high school age and older, are encouraged to consider membership in our parish **Adult Choir**. Responsible for leading the congregation as well as providing choral music at the **10:00 am Sunday Liturgy** (September-May) as well as at other celebrations, this group **rehearses in church Tuesdays 7:00-9:00 pm**. Auditions, musical expertise, or 100% attendance are NOT pre-requisites. If you are interested or someone you know should be, contact **Terry Wenninger** at 513-753-2546 or email [twenninger@sttm.org](mailto:twenninger@sttm.org).

*Please give us a try – it's virtually "risk-free" AND fun.*



**MEETING CANCELLATIONS & CHANGES:** When you make a request to schedule or change a meeting, you must make sure you receive a confirmation of the request from the parish office. Please do not leave a message or send an email and assume your request has been processed. We know that things come up and a meeting, game, or practice has to be changed or canceled. It is very important that the Parish Office is notified as soon as this decision has been made to cancel or change your event so our evening porters do not make an unnecessary trip to unlock a building or room that is no longer needed. Another group may be on the waiting list to use a facility. Plus, opening a facility when no one is coming is a security concern: we don't want to leave our facilities unsecured. Everyone's cooperation is appreciated!