

◀ PARISH EVENTS FOR THE WEEK ▶

1/16	7:00 pm	YOUTH MINISTRY – MMA&B
1/17		PARISH OFFICE/SCHOOL CLOSED
1/18	6:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm	Children's Choir – Library Eucharistic Ministers Training - Church Choir Practice - Church
1/19	9:30 am 1:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	Bible Study – Faith Formation Book Club – Faith Formation Contemporary Music Practice – Church Catholics Returning Home – Faith Formation
1/20	9:00 am 7:00 pm	Adoration – Church Men's CRHP – Faith Formation
1/21	6:00 pm	Rosary Makers – MMA&B
1/23	11:00 am & 1:00 pm 7:00 pm	Coffee & Doughnuts – Dining Hall YOUTH MINISTRY – MMA&B

**UPCOMING FAITH FORMATION DATES**

January 27<sup>th</sup> – First Gathering for Confirmation Preparation  
January 29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> – Men's CRHP Weekend  
February 2<sup>nd</sup> – MOMS Monthly  
February 16<sup>th</sup> – Beginning Session for new MOMS Group

**PARISH OFFICE CLOSED** this Monday, January 17<sup>th</sup> in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. day.

**MEN'S CRHP WEEKEND:** It's not too late to sign up to attend the men's Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP) weekend to be held January 29<sup>th</sup> – January 30<sup>th</sup>. Please join us for an energizing weekend of prayer, sharing and renewal. Call John Grachek 753-3802 to make a reservation or to ask questions.

**YEAR END TAX LETTERS:** We plan to mail the 2004 tax contribution letters to those households who gave at least \$250 and more in total 2004 contributions, the week of January 24<sup>th</sup>. Your 2004 letter will include all January 2005 Tsunami contributions payable to St. Thomas More through January 23<sup>rd</sup>. If you donate to the Tsunami fund drive at the parish after January 23<sup>rd</sup>, but before January 31<sup>st</sup>, we will provide you with a separate contribution letter for that donation upon request. The annual statements do not include the Archbishop's Fund Drive since that donation is to the Archdiocese. Just a reminder that school tuition, stipends, and the like are not contributions and are not tax deductible.

**SEM FOOD PANTRY:** A big "thank you" to those who donated food and toys for the Christmas collection. Because of your donation there are families that had a Christmas that would not have been possible without your help. God bless all of you for your generosity!

*Through your baptism you are God's servant and a light to others. Share your light with others. (Isaiah 49:3, 5-6)*

**Readings for: January 16<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)**  
**First Reading:** Isaiah 8:23-9:3  
**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 1:10-13,17  
**Gospel:** Matthew 4:12-23

**FAMILY TALK:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

- **Gospel Focus** on John 1:29-34: The mere sight of Jesus had John the Baptist leaping and shouting: "Look there! The Lamb of God!"
- **Reflection:** It does not matter how long it takes us to know who Jesus is. What matters is that, once we know, we've got to witness.
- **At Home:** Talk about how other people can know you are Christians. What in your actions or in your home could convict you of being Catholic?

**CONFIRMATION PREPARATION SESSIONS**

begin this month for our 8<sup>th</sup> graders. If you are a young or older adult who has never been confirmed and would like to join this year's preparation sessions, call Becky Ready at 752-2080 Ext. 128 or e-mail [bready@sttm.org](mailto:bready@sttm.org).

**INVITATION TO ALL PARISH WOMEN:** Are you feeling demands on your time and energy and feel the need for more spiritual nurturing? If so, come and join the support of other women as we discover together a greater depth to our spirituality during the upcoming session in our new MOMS program beginning in a month. MOMS stands for Ministry of Moms Sharing and it is a program for spiritual growth geared towards moms but welcoming to all women. It's a marvelous way to journey through Lent with others. Look for registration brochures in our literature centers for more information. The first session will be Wednesday, February 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. For any questions, call 752-2080 (Diane Ext. 114) or (Becky Ext. 128).

**LADIES NIGHT OUT:** Ladies, get your reservations in for Ladies Night Out on February 4<sup>th</sup>. You can give yourself a treat and a night out AND help support the 8<sup>th</sup> grade class trip at the same time. Call Lisa Clyde at 752-5242 to make a reservation or to get more information.

**TSUNAMI RELIEF:** Those wishing to make a donation to assist the victims of the tsunami may do so by sending a check directly to Catholic Relief Services at P.O. Box 17090, Baltimore, Maryland 21203-7090, or you can make a donation with a major credit card by calling Catholic Relief Services at 1-877-435-7277, or by going online at [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org). You can also send a donation to the Office of Social Action of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati at 100 E. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202 noting that it is for Catholic Relief Services for the *Victims of the Tsunami*. **If you wish you can make a check payable to St. Thomas More, noting *Victims of the Tsunami* in the memo section of the check, and we will forward it to Catholic Relief Services. All checks that we receive by January 23<sup>rd</sup> will appear on your 2004 tax contribution letter which will be mailed out the week of January 24<sup>th</sup>.**

**K OF C BASKETBALL COMPETITION:** The 2005 "K of C" Free Throw Competition will take place on Saturday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 3:00 pm at St. Louis gym (Owensville). This event is open to all boys and girls ages 10-14. Awards and prizes – winners advance to Regional competition.

**COLLECTION REPORT:**

	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>
January 9 <sup>th</sup>	\$18,898.58	\$ 13,000.00
Year to Date:	\$409,854.84	\$413,000.00
YTD Collection <i>Under Budget</i>		-\$ 3,145.16

*The Sunday collection results do not reflect our total operating budget. With debt reduction, our budget shortfall for 2004-5 is \$85,000.00. We also can no longer plan any physical plant improvements.*

# Envelopes Returned: 531 \$ 17,920.00  
Loose Change: \$ 978.58

Outstanding Debt: \$1,139,533.11  
Unpaid Interest on Debt: \$ 286,304.52  
Total Due Archdiocese: \$1,425,837.63

**EXPENSES:**

Payroll & Taxes Paid 1/14/05: \$39,218.61  
Total Expenses Paid Week Ending 1/8/05: \$30,352.87

Notable Expenses Paid:  
Health Insurance – Jan. \$12,335.37  
Gas Recovery \$1,053.73  
Engineering Consultants \$4,431.76  
Total 12/22-23 Storm Parking Lot Costs \$3,170.00

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>**

4:30 pm **Lectors** – Ginny Rottinghaus  
**Eucharistic Ministers** – Tommy Russell, John Evans, Patricia Rieck, Melissa Kellerman, Jessica Thompson, Richard Schuler, Theresa Bradley  
**Servers** – Alex Gumbert, Kevin Johnson, Brittany Zumach, Jamie Zumach  
**Greeters** – Gail Convery, Hannah Schoolfield, Jane Pearce  
**Ushers** – Jerry Barnes, Gene Johnson

**Sunday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>**

8:00 am **Lectors** – Nancy Bokekotter, Barbara Comello  
**Eucharistic Ministers** – Gregory & Kathy Senior, Charlotte Molitor, Michele Lamping, Dianna Kennedy, William Fehn, Tammy Schneider  
**Servers** – Sean/Scott Diebel, Kelly Carns, Michael Bouley  
**Greeters** – Helen Fehn, Steve Friebele, Nicole Mulvaney  
**Ushers** – Joe/Paul Guertin, Wes Carroll, George Hofmann

10:00 am **Lectors** – Barbara Gerding, Connie Stricker  
**Eucharistic Ministers** – Catalina Handleton, Garry Burke, Kathleen Hornschemeier, Patricia Lindsey, Larry Robben, Tom & Charlene Kiefer  
**Servers** – Stephen Evans, Justin Farwick, Hannah Russell, Heath Russell  
**Greeters** – Ray Neltner, Christine Ruzsa, Laurie Bagley  
**Ushers** – Mike Salzarulo, Ed Lorentz, Mike Hicks, Margie Keck

12:00 pm **Lectors** – Kristen Brandt, Ann Tekulve  
**Eucharistic Ministers** – Terry Rutherford, Jessica Moore, Jeffrey Moore, Jordan Moore, Karen Trautmann, Karen Klysz, Paul Brandt  
**Servers** – Nicholas Rutherford, Alison Rebelo, Chelsea Ritter, Sarah Nimmo  
**Greeters** – Maureen Crowley, Rosemary & Bill Weimer  
**Ushers** – Charlie Tekulve, Joe Rickard, Mike Harrington

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Intention/Requested By**

**Sunday, 1/16**

8:00 am People of the Parish  
10:00 am Peter Krimmer/Rose Krimmer  
12:00 Noon Eric Thompson/Susan & Bill

**Friday, 1/21**

11:00 am John Brennan/Klysz & McCall Families  
*[rescheduled from 12/23/04]*

**Saturday, 1/22**

4:30 pm Ada Steinmetz/Sandy

**Sunday, 1/23**

8:00 am People of the Parish  
10:00 am Howard & Pauline Diemler/Denise Franer  
12:00 Noon Fr. Joseph Bruemmer/Doogan Family

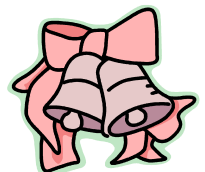
**COMMUNION SERVICES:** Please be reminded that while Fr. Bill is away, Communion Services will be held on Monday through Thursday, through January 31<sup>st</sup>.

**PRAYER INTENTIONS:** Please keep in your prayers Ada Steinmetz, Dorothy Seipel, Connie Dufresne, Mary Rettig, Eileen Lang, Rose Krimmer, and Rose Marie Ogle who are sick and have asked for our prayers.

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT CLUB:** The 29<sup>th</sup> weekly winner of \$100.00 is Jim & Pat Lindsey, Winning No. 307.



**WORLD  
CELEBRATION  
OF MARRIAGE**



**ATTENTION MARRIED COUPLES  
OF THE PARISH!**

Please join us for our World Celebration of Marriage on Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. The evening begins with 4:30 Mass and then wine, hors d'oeuvres and dinner will be served in the Parish Dining Hall. The cost is \$18.00 per couple and must be paid in advance to the Parish Office as there is limited seating. There is no charge for those honored guests who are celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup> and 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversaries. The dinner is exquisite and specially prepared by "Chef Vickie." Mrs. Bonnie Mack (Program Coordinator – Marriage Preparation and Enrichment of the Family Life Office) will be the guest speaker and you will be entertained by Don Fangman who presents "Fang Sings Frank." This promises to be an evening of fun and socializing, and we do hope you'll join us.