



January 23, 2021

The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

# St. Thomas Aquinas

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## SACRAMENTS

**Baptism:** Call the Parish Office to schedule your child's baptism.

Parents who have never had a child baptized will need to receive preparation for this sacrament.

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 4:30-5:00 pm or by appointment.

**Marriage:** Please call the Parish Office to make an appointment at least 6 months in advance.  
No date may be set until after this appointment.

**Anointing of the Sick & Holy Communion for the Sick:** Call the Parish Office to arrange.

**Funerals:** Please call the Parish Office prior to finalizing funeral arrangements.

**Weekday Mass Schedule:** Tuesday 6:00 p.m. (Eucharistic Adoration 5:00 p.m.),  
Wednesday 8:15 a.m. (School Mass) & Friday 9:00 a.m.  
(First Friday of the Month Adoration after 9:00 a.m. Mass)

**Weekend Mass Schedule:** Saturday 5:30 p.m., Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

**Parish Office:** 4625 N. Kenwood Ave., (317) 253-1461, Office Hours: 9:00 AM-4:00 PM

**School:** 4600 N. Illinois Street, (317) 255-6244

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# Parish News



## ARCHDIOCESE OF INDIANAPOLIS LEGACY GALA

*Keeping in Step with the Spirit*  
Friday, February 25, 2022, 6:00 pm-11:00 pm  
Location: JW Marriott Indianapolis  
Hosted by WRTV'S Rafael Sanchez  
Reception begins with music from The Doo!

### *Those in Nursing Homes:*

Wanda Strange.

### *For the Repose of the Soul:*

**James Thomas Coffey Jr.**, father of parishioner Tom Coffey.

### *Our Sick:*

Michael Barnes	Holly Magnus*
Vicki Bezy	Mike
Neve Bowden	Malandrakis*
Deb Bowyer	Barb Martell*
Jenny Brown*	Betty Means*
Susan Burris	Julie Niec
Lucille	Eileen O'Donnell
Buckingham*	Eddy
Kata Carter	Varner Perez
Ella Comer	Marcelino
Cyndi Corbin*	Quintana*
Martha Corredor	Alexandra
Cormac Delaney	Radtke*
Maxine Ferguson	Paula Riggs*
Ed Hudecek*	Steven Saxton*
Joe Hurley*	Helene Scott
Barbara Jenkins*	Sharon Sperry
Eron Jackson*	Don Stillman*
Matt Jennings	Wanda Strange
Amy King	Glenda Thomas*
Katherine	Oliver Walsh
Kohlbacher*	Andy Weidekamp
Bill Larson	Dottie
Patricia Long	Weidekamp
	Gabriel Zentner*

*\*(Family Member of a Parishioner)*

*“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor... and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord.”  
- Lk 4:18a, 19*

Join Archbishop Charles Thompson and other members of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis for a wonderful evening of music, delicious food, most importantly, to raise money for Catholic Charities, Catholic Schools, and Seminarian Education. To purchase your tickets, visit [www.archindy.org/legacygala2022](http://www.archindy.org/legacygala2022).

## CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA

This weekend we take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America! Many people in Latin America and the Caribbean do not have access to church programs and ministries because of a rising secular culture, rugged rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers. Your generosity enables our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean to share in the life of the Church and grow closer to Christ. Please be generous in the special collection! To learn more, please visit [www.usccb.org/latin-america](http://www.usccb.org/latin-america).

## GREEN CORNER

The Laudato Si' Action Platform is organized around 7 goals that integrate creation care and Catholic social teachings into our daily lives. The goal of “Ecological Economics” recognizes that everything we use comes from the Earth and invites us to examine how the purchases we make and the businesses we support reflect a just and sustainable use of resources. Similarly, the “Adoption of Sustainable Lifestyles” goal promotes a lifestyle of sufficiency rather than excess. The choices we make every day have an impact. For more information and to enroll, go to <https://laudatosiactionplatform.org/>.

## RACE MATTERS

*Welcome to Race Matters, a weekly recommendation from the Race and Culture Committee meant to inspire us all.*

Watch the discussion by Angela Espada made on Nov. 20 about "Racism & Voting: Our Responsibilities as Catholics". [https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/IH0\\_qEJDSeuOCRvnpNLtAVXTWs4ZWa\\_ICSfzD4Yi2FkpzmeTU28i9\\_1-NpKoYLz4.245U-Uq6uG2NtBWy](https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/IH0_qEJDSeuOCRvnpNLtAVXTWs4ZWa_ICSfzD4Yi2FkpzmeTU28i9_1-NpKoYLz4.245U-Uq6uG2NtBWy)

## WALK IN MY SHOES: A DIALOGUE ON RACE & THE CHURCH

The dialogue on race in the United States is more polarized than ever before. Much of that polarization is a result of a lack of understanding of what it means to “walk in another person’s shoes” and to empathize with the journey of others that look different than ourselves. Join us as we have a candid conversation about how our individual journeys impact the dialogue on race and the church. A Christian Theological Seminary Speaker Series, you can register for free at

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/walk-in-my-shoes-a-dialogue-on-race-and-the-church-tickets-238453750587>

# Parish Life & Activities



## STA SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

**February 9 and March 16: 1-6 p.m.**

Come see our school in action and find out what makes us a unique place for your child. You will have the opportunity to visit classrooms, tour the campus, speak with current parents and students and meet our exceptional teachers and principal. Masks will be required.

Kindergarten tours will also be available by appointment on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Please contact Nancy Valdiserri at [nvaldiserri@staindy.org](mailto:nvaldiserri@staindy.org) to sign up.

## USED UNIFORM SALE

**Date - January 26th 2021, 3pm- 6pm**

**Check out the used uniform selection.**

Holes in knees?

Grew like a weed?

We've got you covered with our used uniform sale!!

Also calling for donations, specifically gym clothes and small jumpers!

Drop off at front office and we will handle the rest!

## INTRODUCTION TO SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

**Friday, Feb 4**

**7:00pm - 9:00pm**

**Presented by: Jennifer Burger, Cheryl McSweeney, and Georgene Beiriger**

*Join us for this evening of learning and discovery of how spiritual direction can help you deepen your prayer life and your awareness of God's presence in your everyday life.*

What is spiritual direction? What happens in spiritual direction? Why is it important? How can I benefit from it as a spiritual practice? Who does spiritual direction? How do I find a spiritual director that is right for me? All these questions - and more - will be answered in this evening of discovery of how spiritual direction can help you deepen your desired relationship with God and increase awareness of God's presence in the ordinary and special events in your life. Registration fee: \$25, Light snacks and refreshments will be available. Register at [Archindy.org](http://Archindy.org)/Fatima retreat house.

## SAINTS LACROSSE

Saint Lacrosse registration is now open to any North Deanery students, grades K-8, for the spring season. New players are strongly encouraged to join! We offer a fun, safe environment for your athlete! Go to [www.catholiclax.com](http://www.catholiclax.com) to register. Teams fill up quickly! We offer girls and boys teams, with practice starting in early March. We also are proud to offer financial aid and scholarships for those that need it! Direct any questions to [info.catholiclax@gmail.com](mailto:info.catholiclax@gmail.com)  
Go Saints!

## **TITHES & GIFTS**

**January 16, 2022**

Actual	\$ 423,085
Budget	\$ 427,612
Over/(Short)	\$ (4,527)

Haiti	\$ 54,748
SVdP	\$ 24,071

**Pastor: Fr. Varghese Maliakkal**

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### 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In one of his books, David Buttrick tells about a cartoon in a magazine. The cartoon showed three men sitting in a row behind a long table. A microphone has been placed in front of each of them. One man was pictured in long flowing hair and a draped white robe. Another was battered, a wreath of jagged thorns on his head. The third was swarthy, with dark curly hair and a pointed nose. The caption said, "Will the real Jesus Christ please stand?"

Everybody sees Jesus from a different angle, including the writers of the New Testament. For Matthew, Jesus is the Teacher of Righteousness. For Mark, Jesus is an exorcist, constantly battling the powers of evil. Even after Evil nails him to a cross, Jesus emerges from the tomb to continue his saving work. But for Luke, the word that best summarizes the person and work of Jesus is the word "prophet."

In the story we heard today, Jesus is a different kind of prophet. The prophet Jesus says, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." When the prophet Jesus said, "Today the scripture is fulfilled," he turned memory into a mission statement. He transformed hope into an assignment. He claimed the beautiful poetry of Isaiah as his job description.

A hush must have fallen in the synagogue when Jesus walked forward to do the reading. This was his hometown; they all knew him. What would he choose to read? What would he say to them? They had been hearing about what he was doing--preaching about the kingdom of God being close enough to touch, the crowds coming to listen to him, the healings, the casting out of evil spirits. They were sitting on the edge of their seats.

He opened the scroll and went to the place in the book of the prophet Isaiah where an unknown speaker talks about being anointed by the Spirit of God and sent forth to do three things: to preach Good News, to liberate people who were imprisoned in any way, and to give sight to the blind. Then he looked at them and simply said: All this is happening now! The Isaiah reading continues to define the work of the Church: preaching the gospel, working for justice that frees people from oppression, and reaching out in compassion to all. The Holy Spirit is at work in and through us. How do you participate in this work?

### Parish Calendar w/ Mass Intentions

**Saturday, January 22• Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children**

5:30 pm Mass for † Tom Scanlan

**Sunday, January 23• 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Vincent**

8:00 am Mass for St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners

10:30 am Mass for † Gail Rowe

**Monday, January 24•**

7:45–8:05 am Morning Prayer, Bosler Chapel

**Tuesday, January 25•**

7:45-8:05 am Morning Prayer, Bosler Chapel

5:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration

**Wednesday, January 26•**

7:45–8:05 am Morning Prayer, Bosler Chapel

8:15 am School Mass

**Thursday, January 27•**

7:45-8:05 am Morning Prayer, Bosler Chapel

**Friday, January 28• St. Thomas Aquinas**

7:45-8:05 am Morning Prayer, Bosler Chapel

**Saturday, January 29•**

5:30 pm Mass for St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners

**Sunday, January 30• 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catholic Schools Week**

8:00 am Mass for St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners

10:30 am Mass for † Anna S. White

## Readings of the Week GLP

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/  
Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/  
Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:  
1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18

Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-  
28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5,  
11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4,  
5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-  
15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6,  
15-17 [cf. 15ab]/  
1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk  
4:21-30

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