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### St. Thomas More Roman Catholic Church

### 8501 Calumet Avenue, Munster, IN 46321

Mission Statement : The Roman Catholic Saint Thomas More Parish Family welcomes and invites every person to join us on our journey in faith and celebration. With the grace and guidance of the Holy Spirit, and through Sacred Scripture and Tradition, we proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all, especially in loving service to those in need. As part of the Universal Church, we affirm the dignity of every person. All this we do to give glory and honor to God.

### **Pastoral Staff**

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nator Deacon David Kapala, KHS; Ext. 2315
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St. Thomas More Parish Website: www.stm-church.com

### Parish Office Staff

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	Katie Kordeck
Eric Miller	Joe Peters
Daniel Straka	

### St. Thomas More School Preschool through 8th Grade

#### Office Hours: Monday- Friday • 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 n.m.

Office fiburs, Monuay-	Thuay - 7.50 a.m. to 5.50 p.m.
Website	www.stm-school.com
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8635 Calumet Avenue • Munster, IN 46321 

### Sacramental Information

Confessions Saturdays..... First Friday......1/2 hour before the 6:30 a.m. Mass Parents must be registered parishioners and regularly attending at least six months before the Baptism. At least 

parish at least six months before beginning the six month preparation program for marriage.

Communion calls and visits to Hospitals and Homebound: Call the Parish Office for Sacraments at hospital or at home.

## New Parishioner Registration

To make it as convenient as possible for you, new parishioners may register at any time in the Parish Office. Stop in during the day, or take advantage of our convenient Saturday office hours.

### St. Thomas More Religious Education

Kindergarten through 8th Grade Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday & Friday — 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Wednesday & Thursday — 1:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Religious Education Phone Director...... Emily Hackett; Ext. 2232 Administrative Assistant ...... Rosemary Strimbu; Ext. 2236 Grades K through 8 • Wednesday or Thursday from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m.

### **Pastoral Commissions Chairpersons**

Formation/Education	Allen Blocher
Parish Life	Elaine Herrmann
Peace & Social Justice	
Spirituality & Worship	Kaaren Mashura
Stewardship	

### **Parish Organizations**

Altar & Rosary Society	Cindy Keilman 923-9862
Boy Scouts	
Career Networking Group.	Jim Kaczka (219) 201-0335
	or Donna Weidenfeller (219) 688-7597
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Gabriel Project	Marilyn Glennon 801-6586
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Ushers Club	Jim Marmalejo 718-8704

Please remember St. Thomas More in your Will and Estate Planning

## The Baptism of the Lord

# January 9, 2022

# <u>Celebrants</u>

Saturday, January 15 5:30 p.m. Fr. Mike Yadron

### Sunday, January 16

6:30 a.m. Fr. Mike Yadron 8:00 a.m. Fr. Mike Yadron 10:00 a.m. Carmelite Father 12:00 Noon Carmelite Father



### Saturday, January 15

5:30 p.m. D. Brantley, K. & K. Cano/MC ~ Nick

#### Sunday, January 16 8:00

8:00 a.m.	K. Karl, J. Dye, J. Sajn/MC ~ Gavin
10:00 a.m.	M. Miller, J. Rock, R. Smola/MC ~ Patrick
12:00 p.m.	J. Korwek, D. O'Brien, A. Sanchez
-	MC ~ Francesca





William "Bill" Adams • Janet Somenzi Claudia M. Pellar • Jean Sharp

# Sacrificial Offerings

### December 25, 2021 Merry Christmas

Adult	\$ 51,674.00
Loose	\$ 5,282.00
Automated	\$ 4,935.00
TOTAL	\$ 61,891.00

### December 26, 2021

Adult	\$ 22,773.00
Loose	\$ 8,966.00
Automated	\$ 4,935.00
TOTAL	\$ 36,674.00

### January 2, 2022

Adult	\$ 10,663.00
Loose	\$ 2,285.00
Automated	\$ 4,935.00
TOTAL	\$ 17,883.00



for your generous contributions to our parish.



### SUNDAY, January 9 – Baptism of the Lord

6:30 am Joseph Flores by Frank Gomez 8:00 am Bradley Barnes by Lois McAllister 10:00 am Ann Grunewald by Joseph & Carole Janusonis 12:00 pm For Our Parish Family Living and Deceased

### **MONDAY, January 10**

6:30 am Deceased Members of Stok Family by Lucy & Dennis Perz

8:30 am Kathryn Lippie by Felicia Makowski

### **TUESDAY**, January 11

6:30 am Rose Krizmanic (Ann.) by Family 8:30 am Jule Bell Jr. by Lucy & Dennis Perz

### WEDNESDAY, January 12

6:30 am Mary Jones by Teresa B. Glotzbach 8:30 am Ceil Albizati by Susan Strain & Family

### THURSDAY, January 13 – St. Hilary

6:30 am Julia Rose Martin by Catherine Pfister 9:00 am Rose Mangiaracina by Altar & Rosary Society

### FRIDAY, January 14

6:30 am Living & Deceased Members of Nowakowski Family byJoseph Nowakowski 8:30 am Ray Sculley by Mrs. Walter Metz

### SATURDAY, January 15

8:30 am Michael Jores (Ann.) by Serrano Family 2:00 pm Reeves/Boukal Nuptials 5:30 pm Donald Kopenec by McCraw Family

### SUNDAY, January 16 – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:30 am For Our Parish Family Living and Deceased 8:00 am Rev. Kenneth Grabner, CSC by Dr. Rosita Ngo & Tina Ngo 10:00 am Bill O'Brien by Dan & Marie Karulski

12:00 pm Donald Kopenec by Jay Harker Family



### The Baptism of the Lord

"John answered them all, 'I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming...he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit... '" Luke 3:16

The Catholic Catechism states that "Jesus' immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God's will." In other words, as baptized Catholics there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.

# **Automated Contributions**

We pray for the safety & good health of you and your family during this holiday season and throughout the new year of 2022. We thank you for your continued

### support of our parish!



Mail/Drop-Off Your Contribution: Drop off at Parish Office. Make a Payment Online: Donate online through our parish website by using PayPal/debit/credit card: <u>http://www.stm-church.com/</u>. Go to "Donate" button in "Virtual Offering" section.

Set-Up Automated Payment: Instruction/forms on parish website: <u>http://www.stm-church.com/</u>
 Questions? Contact Noreen Bickel: (219) 836-8610, #2330 <u>nbickel@stm-church.com</u>

# **P**ray for the sick of our parish...

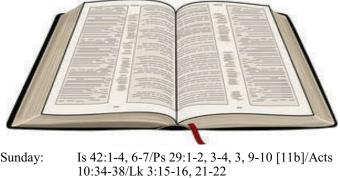
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### **Readings for the Week of January 9**



	10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22
	<i>or</i> , Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28,
	29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22
Monday:	1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday:	1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday:	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/
-	Mk 1:29-39
Thursday:	1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45
Friday:	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday:	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk
-	2:13-17
Next Sunday:	Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4
	-11/Jn 2:1-11

### The Baptism of the Lord

"We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ." Pope Francis

What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of what is important and of value, the likelihood of kneejerk impulsive choices diminishes.

Baptism gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life.

It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to those in search of a home, the

purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings.

When we make decisions based on things such as these core Gospel truths we really act as Christ himself, revealing to others the new creations that we are. This is how we live our baptism. It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to

stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead. There is nothing to fear. ©LPi

### **BOW BEFORE THE FATHER**

### "Baptism is bowing before the Father and letting him do his work." ~ Max Lucado

Today, we close off the Christmas season as we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. John the Baptist was the one who baptized Jesus in the Jordan river. When Jesus was baptized, God's voice was heard from above proclaiming Jesus as His Son and instructing the people to listen to Him.

Listening to God and letting Him work in our lives is what we are all supposed to do. Jesus acknowledged that and taught that as well by His words and His deeds. He was always instructing His people and encouraging them to embrace His Father's will for them.

When we were baptized, we were baptized into the life and death of the Lord. Our baptism washed away the stain of original sin from our souls and prepared us to return home to God one day as long as we live as His faithful children while here on earth.

I like the way Lucado shares his thoughts on baptism. He stated that it is bowing before the Father and letting Him do His work. That is much more difficult than it seems. In order for us to do that, we have to rein in our pride, a pride that insists that things be done our way. Letting God work in and through our lives is a tough thing to do but it brings incredible results if we can allow God to do so.

Today completes the Christmas season and tomorrow begins Ordinary Time. It is appropriate today to reflect upon our own baptismal promises. They may have been made for us initially if we were baptized as babies; but, we have renewed them many times in our lives. Embrace your promises to reject Satan and all his works and all his empty promises.

Furthermore, cling to the great mysteries of our faith. Hold firm to your belief in God the Father, creator of the universe, God the Son, our Savior and Redeemer, and God the Holy Spirit, the one who sanctifies us and makes us holy day by day.

Finally, renew your belief in the Church instituted by Jesus Christ: one, holy, catholic (universal), and apostolic. With a holy pride, go out to all the world and tell the Good News that brings peace to all people.

FAITH ACTION: Pray the Creed slowly and FAITH ACTION: Fray the creat and remind yourself of Fr. Mike



### PLEASE REMEMBER TH

Please pray for the priests and deacons who have served the Diocese of Gary so faithfully and whose anniversaries of death are this week: Rev. Eugene C. Hoffman (1980) Januarv 9: January 11: Rev. Ambrose E. Switzer (1967) Rev. George A. Masley (1969) Rev. Henry J. Ameling (1970) January 12: Rev. Joseph A. Buczyna (1976) Rev. George J. Naudzius (1963) January 14: Msgr. Alvin J. Jasinski (1969) Msgr. John F. Morales (2020)



### MY CHRISTMAS THANK YOU

As we end the Christmas season on the Baptism of the Lord, I take this opportunity to thank all of you who sent me Christmas cards, sent me emails, gave me gifts of all varieties (gift cards, cash, checks, home-baked goodies, and other items), or gave me a kind word when entering or exiting the church at Christmas. Your kindness and generosity seems to know no bounds and, for that, I am deeply appreciative. It is quite humbling to be a recipient of all the love that you so freely give. Again, thank you!

"Baptism is not only a sacrament of our union with Christ; it is also a sacrament of our communion as the body of Christ."

~ Michael Horton



### ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

Many ministers could, from personal experience, tell of strange names bestowed upon infants at their baptism; but, few could equal the following story.

A mother, who was on the lookout for a good name for her child, saw on the door of a building the word "Nosmo". It attracted her, and she decided that she would adopt it.

Some time later, passing the same building, she saw the name "King" on another door. She thought the two would sound well together, and so the boy was baptized, "Nosmo King Smith".

On her way home from the church where the baptism had taken place, she passed the building again. The two doors on which she had seen the names were now closed together, and what she read was not "Nosmo King", but "No Smoking".





### **January Schedule**

12/13	Class
19/20	Class
26/27	Class

For information, about the Religious Education Program, please contact Emily Hackett at <u>ehackett@stm-school.com</u>.



Mrs. Leto's Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class put on a Nativity play before Christmas.



### "Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances, give thanks..." 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Prayer ... the Foundation of Stewardship

- In prayer, we listen for God's response, this is best done in silence.
- We open our hearts in gratitude so that they overflow with generosity.
- We ask God how He wants us to use our gifts daily.

### Continued Next Week ...

If you are not a part of a Ministry at St. Thomas More Church, please consider joining and sharing with others.

# Greeters for the Week



#### Sunday, January 16 6:30 am Mass Main: Mary Jez

8:00 am Mass Main: Dennis & Karen McNeil Chapel: Susan Walker Choir: Katie & Christi Kordeck

**10:00 am Mass** Main: Rosa Maldonado Chapel: Tim & Amy Jevyak Choir: Andrea Mazerik

> **12:00 Noon Mass** Main: Pat Batchelder

# Join Our Wonderful Staff

### **Full-Time Maintenance**

**Responsibilities include:** Completing small plumbing repairs, painting, light carpentry work, changing light fixtures, ballasts, bulbs and completing small wiring jobs.

The preferred candidate will have some HVAC experience: able to change motors, belts, pumps, couplings and complete routine

filter changes, operate a plow truck for snow removal and be ready to plow snow during off hours, as needed. Must be able to operate and maintain zero turn and hand lawn mowers.

*Requirements:* Must have a valid driver's license, reliable transportation and auto insurance.



Hours: Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (occasional nights and weekends, as needed). Salary: Based on skill level/ experience. Health benefits and paid time off. If interested, contact Mike Popovich at <u>mpopovich@stm-church.com</u> or 219-836-8610 ext. 2313.

### **Part-Time Custodian**

A perfect job for a retiree, student or someone looking for parttime evening work. Responsibilities include cleaning offices, classrooms and restrooms with occasional set-ups for church/ school events. Experience in commercial cleaning & floor machines preferred. Must be able to follow written directions and have reliable transportation w/ valid driver's license. *Hours:* Mon—Fri 5:30 to 11:00 p.m. (occasional Sundays). Apply in person at the STM Parish Office, 8501 Calumet Ave. in Munster or email: jobopenings@stm-church.com.

### **Cafeteria Cashier**

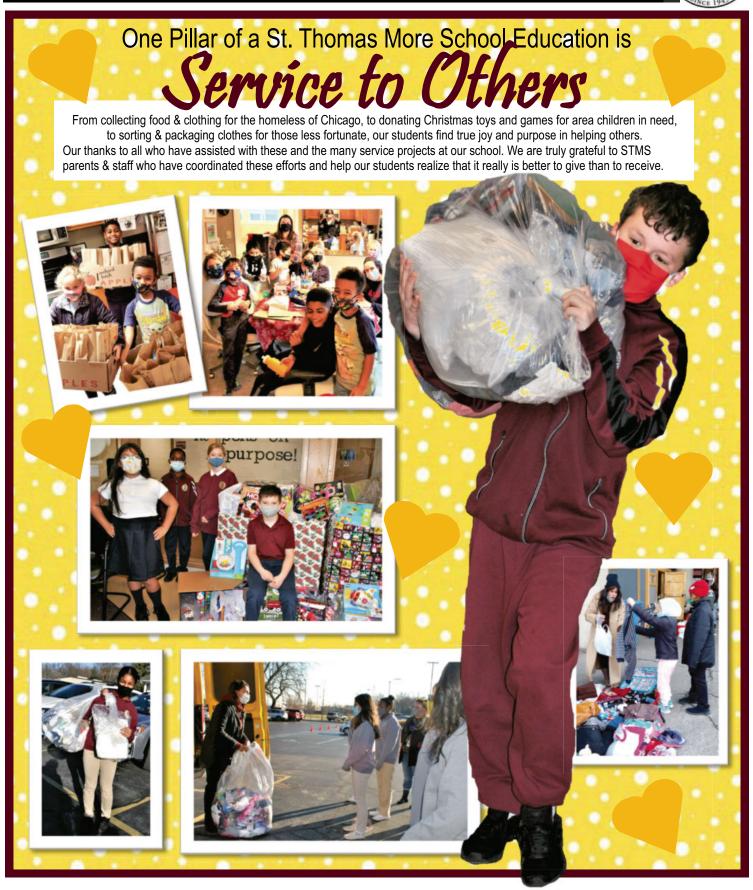
This person will interact with students, faculty and staff regularly to ensure that pre-selected lunch orders are verified with accuracy. STMS operates a cash-less Café; all orders are entered and verified in a web-based billing system. *Hours:* Mon —Fri 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. See below to apply.

### Cafeteria Dishwasher

This person is responsible for collecting, sorting and washing dishes/trays/silverware/pots & pans utilizing a commercial dishwasher or manually washing, as needed. Would serve students/faculty/staff during lunch periods & assist with food prep with the Café team. *Hours:* Mon—Fri 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

If you are interested the Cafeteria positions, please contact Andy Power at (219) 836-9151,# 2224 or <u>apower@stm-school.com</u>

# St. Thomas More School





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 100 new Chromebooks
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 Fund nearly \$30,000 in student scholarships

## Thank you for supporting our students!



# Thanks for Contributing



Thank you to all who participated in the *Christmas Giving Tree!* 

We received a letter of thanks from the Gary Diocese acknowledging the generosity of our parishioners, who provided gifts for 140 individuals, helping many area families enjoy a

Merry Christmas, too!

A sincere thank you to all who contributed.

# Altar & Rosary Society Save the Date

The next Altar and Rosary Society event will be: *Chili Bingo — Sunday, March 13* 

Live Christ Share Christ Meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month 9:00 a.m. at the Weis Center Please join us to share and renew your faith.



February 12 • March 12 • April 9 • May 14

Click on the QR Code below to give directly via the St. Thomas More School donation page. It's quick & easy!



Your generosity is greatly appreciated by our students & staff!

# STM Career Networking Group

80% of Jobs are Unadvertised 82% of Jobs are Found Through Networking 15% Found Want Ads • 4% Create Their Job • 2% Blind

Join us for our next meeting Wednesday, January 12, 2022 7:00 – 8:30 pm St. Thomas More Weis Center Masks Optional Employee Rights & Employer Responsibility An EEOC Overview

Presenter: Chandra L. Gary, MAIO

Chandra L. Gary is the owner of Solutions By Chandra LLC. She is an educator specializing in helping women gain confidence to leave toxic and unhealthy work environments. A lifelong resident of NWI, Chandra loves all things purple,

including Prince! She considers herself a cupcake connoisseur, prefers tea over coffee and looks forward to the day when she can once again hop on a Carnival Cruise ship.

Where:	Weis Center — 8635 Calumet • Munster
When:	The Second Wednesday of Every Month
Email:	STMCareerGroup@gmail.com

### Regular Meetings are Free! Open to All!

For those who are *unemployed* (in transition), new to the job market, employed but changing careers or those who can offer employment opportunities through their current professional connections. Have your cover letter, resume or thank you critiqued.

# Spend Those Amazon Gift Cards

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# Upcoming Andrean Events Entrance Exam

Saturday, January 15 at 1:00 p.m. \*Enter at Door A. Pick-up is at 4:00 p.m. Contact Jim Nohos at 219.887.5959 ext. 260 or contact him at inohos@andreanhs.com for information or to schedule a visit.

# Seniors of STM



Happy New Year from the Seniors of STM! Mark your calendars for our very informative first meeting of the New Year on January 19 and for all our great meetings to follow. We're looking forward to a great start to 2022. Join us for fun, friendship and some great information.

> All meetings are at 1:00 p.m. (unless noted) St. Thomas More Weis Center 8635 Calumet Avenue • Munster, IN *Please watch the bulletin for details and updates.*

### 2022 Schedule

Our first meeting in 2022 will be held on **Wednesday, January 19** The speaker's topic for this meeting will be *Tax Facts for Seniors* This is our only meeting in January. Please remember your food donations for our partnership with the Salvation Army: "Give *Two* Help Live"

> Wednesday, February 2 Business Meeting Topic of Guest Speaker: Balance Therapy

Wednesday, February 16 *Pizza Party* 12:00 Noon to 3:00 p.m.

### Wednesday, March 2

**Business Meeting** Topic: Senior Safety Guest Speaker: Munster Police Department

> Wednesday, March 16 Pot Luck Luncheon 12:00 Noon to 3:00 p.m.

# St. Vincent De Paul Society

As the Christmas holiday approaches, we want to express our thanks to the generous parishioners of St. Thomas More, who have consistently contributed to our St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry to support our neighbors in need. Thanks to your support, our pantry needs are minimal at this time.

### **Food Pantry Requests:**

Soup • Pasta & Pasta Sauce Pancake Syrup • Jelly Frosting • Canned Fruit Toothpaste • Toilet Paper

Please check the expiration dates prior to donating. To learn more about SVDP, or to join this important ministry, please contact Terry at (219) 836-8610.



# **Respect Life**

### March for Life

Save the date for this life-changing event. All denominations are welcome to join in. 2022 National March for Life

January 19, 2022

For more information about the National March for Life, please contact the Lake County Right to Life www.lakeloveslife.org • 219-838-1138

# **Praying For Our Parishioners**



Reignited & the Circle of Prayer ministries offer prayers for our parishioners. Please send your prayer requests via email to: <u>STMPrayerTeam@gmail.com</u>. We are happy to pray for you and/or your family members. God bless our parishioners, those they care for, and our community and nation.



### Emotions Anonymous (EA)

Free Emotional Support Group through "New Hope Road". Open to all.

Join us for this 12-step program (available to everyone age 15 +), to help with depression, anger, anxiety, grief, relationship issues and emotional disorders. We meet Mondays from 6:00-7:30 p.m. at St. Michael Parish, 1 W. Wilhelm in Schererville in St. Patrick Hall (SW Room). For more information, call (219) 308-0929.

### **Meals on Wheels Needs Volunteers**

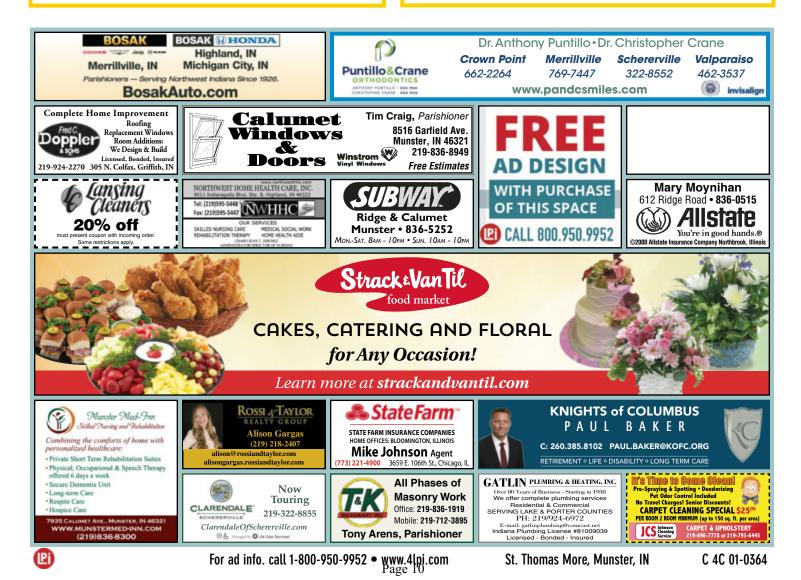
Meals on Wheels provides a hearty meal to many in our area who are homebound or in need

of food sustenance. If you are recently retired, have a few hours a week to volunteer, or want to give back to your community, please consider donating a bit of your time as a Meals on Wheels volunteer.

You can truly make a difference in your community. To register, or ask questions, please contact Joan Vith, Volunteer



Manager at joan@mownwi.org or call (219) 756-3663. Make a difference today!



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### **AUTOMOTIVE**

Bosak Chrysler/Bosak Honda (C Pg)
 Phillips Chevrolet (A Pg)



### FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS / ACCOUNTING

American Community Bank (A Pg)



### FOOD AND DRINK

Calumet Bakery (A Pg)
Munster Donut (A Pg)
Rob's Meat Chop & Deli (A Pg)
Strack & Van Til (C Pg)
Subway (C Pg)
The Commander Family Restaurant (A Pg)
White Rhino (A Pg)



### **FUNERAL HOMES / MONUMENTS**

- Burns Kish Funeral Homes Inc. (A Pg)
- Kish Funeral & Cremation Services (A Pg)

### **HEALTHCARE**

Community Healthcare System (A Pg)

 LTF Eye Clinic (A Pg)
 Munster Med-Inn (C Pg)

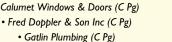
 Northwest Home Healthcare, Inc (C Pg)

 Puntillo Orthodontics (C Pg)
 We Are Family Home Care (A Pg)



### HOME IMPROVEMENT

Ace Hardware (A Pg)
Associated Sewer & Plumbing Service (A Pg)
Calumet Windows & Doors (C Pg)



- Gluth Bros. Roofing Co., Inc. (A Pg) Johnson Cleaning Service (C Pg)
  - Kraz Construction (A Pg)
  - No Job Too Small (A Pg)
  - Norm's Painting (C Pg)
- Rauer Plumbing Inc. (A Pg)
- Rick's Appliance Service (A Pg)
- Rogers Roofing (C Pg)
  T&K Masonry Inc. (C Pg)
- Vanderheide's Glass & Mirror (C Pg)

### **INSURANCE**

Allstate (C Pg)
State Farm, Kevin Bednarek (A Pg)
State Farm, Mike Johnson (C Pg)

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

- Clarendale of Schereville (C Pg)
   Ferree Movers (A Pg))
- Knights of Columbus (A Pg)
   Knights of Columbus Paul Baker (C Pg)



- Lansing Cleaners (C Pg)
  St. Anthony Village (A Pg)
- Senator Frank Mrvan (A Pg)
- Susan's School of Dance (A Pg)

### **REAL ESTATE / MORTGAGE**

- Capital Appraisal Co., Inc. (A Pg)
- Coldwell Banker/Alison Gargas (A Pg)
- Rose Real Estate/Carolyn Cenko (A Pg)
- Rossi & Taylor Realty Group (C Pg)



