ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC PARISH

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LOVE GOD. LOVE OTHERS. MAKE DISCIPLES!

We are a Catholic parish where people experience Jesus Christ in a way that changes how they live.

Adoration
Monday, 2:00-4:00PM
Tuesday, 4:15-5:15PM
Friday, 9:00-10:00AM

Parish Office Hours
Monday-Thursday, 9:00AM-5:00PM
Friday, 9:00AM-Noon

Church and Chapel Hours
Monday-Friday, 7:30AM-5:00PM
Saturday, 10:00AM-6:00PM
Sunday, 7:00-11:00AM

Holy Mass Schedule
Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8:30AM
Tuesday, 5:30PM
Thursday, 7:30AM
Saturday, 4:30PM English
6:30PM Spanish
Sunday, 8:00AM and 10:00AM
All Masses are live streamed.

Confession Schedule
Saturday, 3:15-4:10PM
Sunday, 9:00-9:50AM

Misa en español
Sábados a las 6:30PM

Confesiones
Sábados 3:15-4:10PM
y por cita previa

Adoración al Santísimo
Lunes 2:00-4:00PM
Martes 4:15-5:25PM
Viernes 9:00-10:00AM

30th Sunday of Ordinary Time
October 24, 2021

30° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
24 de octubre de 2021

Parish News and Words from Our Pastor

Noticias parroquiales y Mensaje de Nuestro Párroco

by Fr. Bart Timmerman

30th Sunday Of Ordinary Time World Mission Sunday

On Sunday, October 24, Catholics worldwide will participate in the annual celebration of World Mission Sunday. In prayer at Mass and through the contributions to this special collection, the faithful support the Missions and missionaries who build up the Church in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, Latin America, and parts of Europe. Thanks for your contribution to the International Combined Collection!

In addition to this Combined Collection in October, we also are assigned each year, a Missionary who visits our parish and takes up a collection for their specific ministry. The last two appeals we have had, have been for dioceses, one in Uganda $11,140 and one in Jackson, Mississippi $10,695. I am so grateful to the amazing, generous response our parish has made to these most recent Annual Mission Appeals. The next one will be next year, probably in August 2022.

Your generosity shows your love for the Church and your commitment to our mission to evangelize. Pope Francis reminds us that, "As Christians, we cannot keep the Lord to ourselves!" We can recall with gratitude "all those men and women who, by their testimony of life, help us to renew our baptismal commitment to be generous and joyful apostles of the Gospel." On World Mission Sunday, as a Church, through our prayers and financial support, we bring the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the world. Thank you for all you do to support the life-giving presence of the Church among the poor and marginalized around the world.

October Respect Life Month

Growing up, I remember my parents talking with me about abortion, crisis pregnancies, and other sensitive life issues. My mom was a nurse and she volunteered for Pregnancy Helpline, a program where she answered the phone to talk with those who were pregnant and worried and needed support. As this month comes to an end, I want to encourage all parents to talk with their children about Respect for Life and offer you the many resources we have in our Parish Library and on the display in our Gathering Area. Also there are many resources available online at www.respectlife.org/respect-life-month.

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30° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario Domingo Mundial de las Misiones

El domingo 24 de octubre, los católicos de todo el mundo participarán en la celebración anual del Domingo Mundial de las Misiones. En la oración en la Misa y a través de las contribuciones a esta colecta especial, los fieles apoyan a las Misiones y misioneros que edifican la Iglesia en África, Asia, las Islas del Pacífico, América Latina y partes de Europa. ¡Gracias por su contribución a la Colecta Internacional Combinada!

Además de esta Colecta Combinada en el mes de octubre, también se nos asigna cada año, un Misionero que visita nuestra parroquia y toma una colecta para su ministerio específico. Las dos últimas campañas que hemos tenido, han sido para diócesis, una en Uganda $11,140 y otra en Jackson, Mississippi $10,695. Estoy muy agradecido a la increíble y generosa respuesta que nuestra parroquia ha hecho a estos campañas misioneras anuales más recientes. El próximo será el próximo año, probablemente en el mes de agosto de 2022.

Su generosidad muestra su amor por la Iglesia y compromiso con nuestra misión de evangelizar. El Papa Francisco nos recuerda que, "¡Como cristianos, no podemos guardar al Señor para nosotros mismos!" Podemos recordar con gratitud "a todos aquellos hombres y mujeres que con su testimonio de vida nos ayudan a renovar nuestro compromiso bautismal de ser apóstoles generosos y alegres del Evangelio". En la Jornada Mundial de las Misiones, como Iglesia, a través de nuestras oraciones y apoyo financiero, llevamos la misericordia del Señor y la ayuda concreta a las comunidades más vulnerables del mundo. Gracias por todo lo que hacen para apoyar la presencia vital de la Iglesia entre los pobres y marginados de todo el mundo.

Octubre: Mes de Respeto a la Vida

Recuerdo que durante mi infancia mis padres hablaron conmigo sobre el aborto, los embarazos en crisis y otros temas delicados de la vida. Mi madre era enfermera y se ofreció como voluntaria para la Línea de Ayuda para el Embarazo, un programa en el que contestaba el teléfono para hablar con las que estaban embarazadas y preocupadas y necesitaban apoyo. A medida que este mes llega a su fin, quiero alentar a todos los padres a hablar con sus hijos sobre el Respeto por la Vida y ofrecerles los muchos recursos que tenemos en nuestra biblioteca parroquial y en la exhibición en nuestra área de recepción. También hay muchos recursos disponibles en línea en www.respectlife.org/respect-life-month.

Parish News and Words from Our Pastor (cont'd)

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Discipleship Survey

I encourage everyone to please take the time to complete the Discipleship Survey. It is so important to have an accurate assessment of what is happening in our parish so that we can make plans to improve and put our energy and efforts where they are needed as we work on becoming an evangelizing parish of missionary disciples. The more who participate, the more accurate view we will have and the more valuable this tool will be for us. Thank you for all you do for our beloved STA parish family!

Here is the link to complete the survey online: https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/kbt4gk

Paper Copies are available in the Gathering Area.

Encuesta de Discipulado

Exhorto a todos a que por favor se tomen el tiempo para contestar la Encuesta de Discipulado. Es muy importante tener una evaluación precisa de lo que está sucediendo en nuestra parroquia para que podamos hacer planes para mejorar y poner nuestra energía y esfuerzos donde se necesitan mientras trabajamos para convertirnos en una parroquia evangelizadora de discípulos misioneros. Cuantos más participen, más precisa será la visión que tendremos y más valiosa será esta herramienta para nosotros. ¡Gracias por todo lo que hacen por nuestra querida familia parroquial de Saint Thomas Aquinas!

Aquí está el enlace para completar la encuesta en línea: https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/kbt4gk

Las copias en papel están disponibles en el área de recepción.

Disciple Maker Index SURVEY/Participará en una Encuesta Diocesana

The Disciple Maker Index Survey is Now Open! Please Read and Help!

It's official! The Disciple Maker Index Survey opens this week and we need your help!

Please help us participate by completing a 10-15 minute survey as soon as possible.
Go to https://portal.catholicleaders.org/d/kbt4gk
You can obtain a paper copy in the **Gathering Area**. To make special arrangements for getting a paper copy, please contact **Jennifer Ludtke at 833-2606**.

The survey will only be **available from October 14-November 22** and will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enable you to provide feedback on our parish's efforts to help you grow. All responses will be confidential and the parish will only receive information about the community as a whole.

We are trying to get the highest response rate possible. This information will be invaluable to Fr. Bart and our various ministries as we plan for the future and strive to be the best disciples we can be. We will receive the results this spring/summer at which time we will share what we have learned with the entire parish. Thank you for helping with this important project!

¡La encuesta del índice Creador de discípulos ya está abierta! ¡Por favor, lea y ayude!

¡Es oficial! ¡La Encuesta del índice Creador de discípulos se abre esta semana y necesitamos su ayuda!

Por favor, ayúdenos a participar contestando una encuesta de 10 a 15 minutos lo antes posible.
Vaya a https://portal.catholicleunders.org/d/kbt4gk
Puede obtener una copia en papel en el **Área de recepción.** Para hacer arreglos especiales para obtener una copia en papel, comuníquese con **Jennifer Ludtke al (608)833-2606.**

La encuesta solo estará **disponible del 14 de octubre al 22 de noviembre** y le pedirá que reflexione sobre su propio crecimiento espiritual y le permitirá proporcionar comentarios sobre los esfuerzos de nuestra parroquia para ayudarlo a crecer. Todas las respuestas serán confidenciales y la parroquia solo recibirá información sobre la comunidad en su conjunto.

Estamos tratando de obtener el índice de respuesta más alto posible. Esta información será invaluable para el Padre Bart y nuestros diversos ministerios mientras planificamos para el futuro y nos esforzamos por ser los mejores discípulos que podemos ser. Recibiremos los resultados esta primavera/verano, momento en el que compartiremos lo que hemos aprendido con toda la parroquia. ¡Gracias por ayudar con este importante proyecto!

Gospel Reflection/Reflexión del Evangelio

by Dcn. Jerome Buhman

Mk 10:46-52

Blindness comes in many forms. Last week we saw the disciples asking to sit at Christ's side when he came into his glory. They were blind to what Jesus was trying to show them about his coming passion, death, and resurrection. They were still viewing things from an earthly, not heavenly, perspective. Today we have a literal blind man, Bartimaeus, who desperately wants to see and cries out to Jesus. When Jesus calls to him, I think it is instructive that the Gospel writer says "he threw aside his cloak." Bartimaeus is casting aside his old life, ready to find a new way in Jesus. When he heals him, Jesus says "Go your way." He doesn't say, "Go away," but rather gives him a choice, and with his newfound vision Bartimaeus decides to follow Jesus, as the Gospel says in its last line. The healing cures his physical blindness and provides Bartimaeus a spiritual vision of salvation. We, too, are called by Jesus to follow him on the way, just as Bartimaeus was. What cloaks are we wearing that we need to cast aside? What type of blindness do we need to be cured in our lives?

Marcos 10:46-52

La ceguera viene en muchas formas. La semana pasada vimos a los discípulos pidiendo sentarse al lado de Cristo cuando él llegue a su gloria. Estaban ciegos a lo que Jesús estaba tratando de mostrarles acerca de su venidera pasión, muerte y resurrección. Todavía estaban viendo las cosas desde una perspectiva terrenal, no celestial. Hoy tenemos un ciego literal, Bartimeo, que quiere desesperadamente ver y clama a Jesús. Cuando Jesús lo llama, creo que es instructivo que el escritor del Evangelio diga "tiró a un lado su manto". Bartimeo está dejando de lado su vieja vida, listo para encontrar un nuevo camino en Jesús. Cuando lo sana, Jesús dice: "Sigue tu camino". Él no dice: "Vete", sino que le da una opción, y con su nueva visión Bartimeo decide seguir a Jesús; como dice el Evangelio en su última línea. La curación cura su ceguera física y proporciona a Bartimeo una visión espiritual de la salvación. Nosotros también somos llamados por Jesús a seguirlo en el camino, tal como lo hizo Bartimeo. ¿Qué capas llevamos puestas que tenemos que dejar de lado? ¿Qué tipo de ceguera necesitamos curar en nuestras vidas?

Prayers

Prayer for Life

For women and men suffering after abortion:
May the Church's abortion healing ministry,
Project Rachel, help them find forgiveness and peace through Christ's endless mercy;
We pray to the Lord.

Prayer for Justice

For all humankind, that the Spirit may open our eyes to see and respect the intricate interdependence of God's creation and do all we can to protect it for generations to come;
We pray to the Lord.

Oraciones

Oración por la Vida

Por las mujeres y los hombres que sufren después de un aborto: que el ministerio de sanación por el aborto de la Iglesia, el Proyecto Raquel, los ayude a encontrar perdón y paz por medio de la misericordia infinita de Cristo; *Roguemos al Señor.*

Oración por la Justicia

Por la humanidad, que el espíritu santo abra nuestros ojos para ver y respetar la delicada interdependencia de la creación de Dios y hagamos todo lo posible para protegerla para futuras generaciones;
Roguemos al Señor.

Making Sundays Specials!

Engage your creativity and imagination,
both gifts from God.
Try icon writing (painting) or
try your hand at writing prayerful poetry.

¡Haz del Domingo un Día Especial!

Involucre su creatividad e imaginacion,
ambos dones de Dios.
Intente escribir iconos (pintar) o
intente escribir poesía llena de oración.

The Heart of Evangelization

By Jennifer Ludtke

Friday, November 12 (5:30-9pm) and
Saturday, November 13 (9am-4:30pm)

If a friend or family member asked you about your faith, would you know how to respond?

Have you ever felt unequipped or unprepared to share your faith with others?

If you answered yes to either of these questions, you are invited to attend our upcoming parish training program, **Relit: The Heart of Evangelization**.

Relit helps you take a step back to look at your life as well as your parish involvement with a new lens and a renewed perspective. You will learn how to take the good work you are already doing and discover how these ministries can be more effective. By exploring such things as some people's obstacles to the faith and learning how others see God in their lives, you will gain the skills to help them grow in their faith. This training is part of our parish's efforts to make disciples, and we would love to see you there.

For more information, or to register, contact Jennifer Ludtke at Jennifer@stamadison.org or (608) 833-2600.

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Viernes, 12 de noviembre (5:30p.m. a 9:00 p.m.)
sábado, 13 de noviembre (9:00 a.m. a 4:30 p.m.)

Si un amigo o familiar le preguntara acerca de su fe, ¿sabría cómo responder?

¿Alguna vez te has sentido desprovisto o no preparado para compartir tu fe con los demás?

Si respondió afirmativamente a cualquiera de estas preguntas, está invitado a asistir a nuestro próximo programa de capacitación parroquial, **Relit: El corazón de la evangelización *'The Heart of Evangelization'*.** Relit te ayuda a dar un paso atrás para mirar tu vida, así como la participación de tu parroquia con una nueva visón y una perspectiva renovada. Aprenderás cómo tomar el buen trabajo que ya estás haciendo y descubrirás cómo estos ministerios pueden ser más efectivos. Al explorar cosas tales como los obstáculos de algunas personas en la fe y aprender cómo otros ven a Dios en sus vidas, obtendrás las habilidades para ayudarlos a crecer en su fe. Esta capacitación es parte de los esfuerzos de nuestra parroquia para hacer discípulos, y nos encantaría verlos allí.

Para obtener más información o para registrarse, comuníquese con Jennifer Ludtke al (608) 833-2600 o al Jennifer@stamadison.org.

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Resources for Human Needs

SVdP Conference: St. Vincent du Paul Conference (food, rental assistance, school supplies, utilities) Phone messages only 608-205-8276

www.momhelps.org/: Middleton Outreach Ministry (food, rental assistance, utilities, clothing, rides, home chores)

www.womenscarecenter.org/Madison.html: Women's Care Center (counseling, ultrasound, baby items, parenting class)

www.catholiccharitiesofmadison.org/: Catholic Charities (adoption, aging services, developmental disabilities, counseling, alcohol - drug abuse treatment, adult day care)

www.cmcmadison.org/: Catholic Multicultural Center (meals, health services, education, job development, immigration legal help)

abuseintervention.org/: Domestic Abuse Intervention Service (crisis response, emergency shelter, support groups)

www.silentnomoreawareness.org: Abortion recovery help and awareness campaign

hopeafterabortion.com: Project Rachel (resources for abortion recovery)

Madison Al-Anon Hotline: for people troubled by someone else's drinking or drug use - 608-258-0314—confidential and anonymous

www.elizabethhousedane.org: Care Net Pregnancy Center of Dane County (residential maternity and parenting program)

National Suicide Hotline: 800-273-8255

National Hotline for Sex Trafficking: phone 1-888-373-7888 or text "help" to 233733

Music & Liturgy Corner/Rincón de Música y Liturgia

by Greg Buchberger

Be A Part of the Rising Voices. Apply & Audition for NCYC 2022!

Here's How

1. Start your application process: https://www.csbsju.edu/forms/5VI9HI8E3M

2. You'll need one recommendation from an adult who is not related to you. https://www.csbsju.edu/forms/YE8GGFFWS6

3. Record 2 vocal auditions that can be emailed to NCYC at ncyc@csbsju.edu.

Audition #1: An unaccompanied major scale up and down on any vowel sound (for example, looh or laah, or do, re, mi).

Audition #2: One stanza of a hymn of your choice or sing one verse (and refrain if applicable) from one of the following: "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"; "O Come, All Ye Faithful"; or "America, the Beautiful". These hymns can be found in any standard hymnal. Please record this unaccompanied.

4. Camp cost is $525. This includes food, boarding and travel costs for eight days of camp and tour. Scholarships are available. Please click below to learn more about the scholarships. **https://www.catholicyouthchoir.org/scholorships**

Who May Apply

You must be a student currently in grades 8 - 12.

Find all the information you need in the application. If you have any questions, feel free to email ncyc@csbsju.edu or call 320.363.3154.

Se parte de las voces prometedoras. ¡Solicita y audiciona para el coro juvenil católico nacional, NCYC 2022!

Cómo se hace:

1. ¡Comienza tu proceso de solicitud haciendo https://www.csbsju.edu/forms/5VI9HI8E3M2.

2. Necesitarás una recomendación de un adulto que no esté relacionado contigo. Haz clic para ver el formulario de recomendación en línea, disponible solo en inglés. https://www.csbsju.edu/forms/YE8GGFFWS6

3. Graba 2 audiciones vocales que se pueden enviar por correo electrónico a NCYC en ncyc@csbsju.edu.

Audición # 1: Una escala mayor no acompañada subiendo y bajando en cualquier sonido vocálico (por ejemplo, looh o laah,o do, re, mi).

Audición # 2: Una estrofa de un himno de tu elección o cantar un verso (y estribillo si corresponde) de uno de los siguientes: "*Jesus Christ is Risen Today*"; "*O Come, All Ye Faithful*"; o "*America, the Beautiful*". Estos himnos se pueden encontrar en cualquier himnario estándar. Por favor, grabe esto sin acompañamiento.

4. El costo del campamento es de $525 dólares. Esto incluye comida, embarque y costos de viaje durante ocho días de campamento y recorrido. Hay becas disponibles. Haz clic a continuación para obtener más información sobre las becas. https://www.catholicyouthchoir.org/scholorships

Quién puede solicitar

Debe ser un estudiante actualmente en los grados de 8vo a 12mo.

Encuentra toda la información que necesitas en la solicitud. Si tienes alguna pregunta, no dudes en enviar un correo electrónico a ncyc@csbsju.edu o llame al (320)363- 3154.

Lay Them to Rest/Que Descansen en Paz

The Church teaches that when cremation is chosen, "the ashes of the faithful must be laid to rest in a sacred place, that is, in a cemetery."

You are invited to lay the cremated remains of your loved one to rest on sacred ground with a solemn Catholic committal on October 30, free of charge. Perpetual record keeping is included, so that you and your family, even if they are unable to attend the committal, will always be able to visit your loved one.

The Catholic Church permits cremation under certain conditions, but does not permit the scattering, dividing, comingling, or private retention of cremated remains. This event is intended to help lower any barriers to performing the final act of mercy.

At Resurrection Cemetery, the committal includes: Free placement in the Sacred Heart of Jesus crypt. After one year, depending on space requirements, remains may be relocated to another dignified location on sacred ground. Bring cremated remains to the cemetery on October 30 in a durable container of standard size. We may not be able to accommodate oversized containers. Urns are available for purchase from the cemetery. Recovery of remains: No charge for disinterment for one year. After one year, prevailing disinterment rates apply.

Registration and additional information:
https://madisondiocese.org/rest

Questions? Call Damian Lenshek, Director of Cemeteries, at 608-821-3055.

La iglesia enseña que cuando se escoge la cremación, "las cenizas del difunto deben ser mantenidas en un lugar sagrado, esto es, en un cementerio."

Usted está invitado a colocar las cenizas de su ser querido a descansar en paz, en un lugar sagrado con la solemne ceremonia católica el 30 de Octubre, sin ningún costo. El mantenimiento perpetuo de los registros está incluido, de esta forma usted y su familia, siempre tendrán la oportunidad de visitar a su ser querido, aunque no hayan asistido a la ceremonia.

La iglesia católica permite la cremación bajo ciertas condiciones, pero no permite que los restos y cenizas sean esparcidas, divididas, mezcladas, o se mantengan privadamente. El propósito de este evento es ayudar a superar cualquier barrera que esté impidiendo este último acto de misericordia.

En el Cementerio de la Resurrección,la ceremonia incluye: Un lugar en la cripta del Sagrado Corazón de Jesús. Después de un año, dependiendo de la disponibilidad de espacio, los restos pueden ser relocalizados a otro lugar digno y sagrado. Traiga las cenizas al cementerio el día 30 de Octubre en un recipiente durable y de tamaño estándar. Nosotros no podemos acomodar recipientes muy grandes. El cementerio ofrece Urnas para la venta. Recuperación de restos: No costo adicional por la exhumación por un año. Después del año, predominantemente los costos de exhumación serán aplicados.

Registro es requerido e información adicional:
https://madisondiocese.org/rest

Preguntas? Llame a Damian Lenshek, Director de Cementerios, at 608-821-3055.

Clases Pre-Matrimoniales: Camino al Matrimonio

Cursos diocesanos en español para la preparación matrimonial para parejas de habla hispana.

Regrístrate: https://madisondiocese.org/inscripcion-prematrimonial

Costo: $50 por sesión y pareja

Sesiones de 8:30AM - 4:00PM

Para más información:
Lorianne Aubut
lorianne.aubut@madisondiocese.org

Plan de Dios	Vida Real, Amore Real
13 de noviembre de 2021 *St. John the Baptist Waunakee*	**4 de diciembre de 2021** *St. Thomas Aquinas Madison*
5 de marzo de 2022 *St. Joseph Church Madison*	**2 de abril de 2022** *St. John the Baptist Waunakee*
18 de junio de 2022 *St. Joseph Church Madison*	**9 de julio de 2022** *St. Joseph Church Madison*

October 2021

RESPECT LIFE MONTH

St. Joseph, defender of life, pray for us!

Speaker: Dan Miller, State Director of Pro-Life Wisconsin

Love moms and babies on the sidewalk outside of Planned Parenthood. Come and be equipped with tools you need to lovingly and compassionately reach abortion-bound women at a seminar conducted by Dan Miller, longtime sidewalk counselor.

Monday, October 25 at 6:30 pm
St. Thomas Aquinas in the Social Hall

For more info or to RSVP, contact STA Respect Life Team leader Greg at gchesmore@yahoo.com.

40 Days for Life Vigil

St. Thomas Aquinas is participating in the 40 Days for Life campaign in Madison, joining others in 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion in Madison.
St. Thomas Aquinas will pray at Planned Parenthood, **3706 Orin Road, on each Wednesday during the Vigil from 5-6 PM and each Friday from Noon-1 PM.** Signup sheets are in the Gathering area.

St. Thomas 40 Days for Life Vigil-October 15

Respect Life Resource Table

Please visit the table in the gathering area for informative literature on a wide range of life issues from the US Conference of Catholic Bishops or other trusted sources.

Adoration

Join others in praying for a greater reverence and respect for all life in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the STA chapel during October (see bulletin for times).

Get Involved

If you would like to become **involved with our Respect Life efforts** in an ongoing way, contact chair, Greg Chesmore at gchesmore@yahoo.com.

Vigilia de 40 Días por la Vida

Saint Thomas Aquinas está participando en la campaña 40 Días por la Vida en Madison, uniéndose a otros en los 40 días de oración y ayuno por el fin del aborto en Madison.|
Los feligreses de Saint Thomas Aquinas orarán frente al establecimiento Planned Parenthood **cada miércoles durante la Vigilia de 5PM a 6PM y cada viernes de mediodía a 1PM** Las hojas de registro se encuentran en el área de recepción.

Mesa de recursos de Respeto a la vida

Visite la mesa en el área de recepción para obtener literatura informativa sobre una amplia gama de temas de la vida de la Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de los Estados Unidos de Norteamérica u otras fuentes confiables.

Adoración

Acompáñenos en oración por una mayor reverencia y respeto por toda vida en la Adoración del Santísimo Sacramento en la capilla de Saint Thomas Aquinas durante el mes de octubre, revise ver boletín para los horario.

Involúcrate

Si deseas **involucrarte con nuestros esfuerzos de [Respeto a la vida]** ***Respect Life*** de una manera continua, comuníquese con el presidente, Greg Chesmore en gchesmore@yahoo.com.

Discipleship & Development

by Holly Irving

Getting To Know Our Parish

Have you picked up your "Getting to Know Our Parish" booklet? It is a great way to learn more about our parish! Please contact Holly Irving with any questions.

Divine Mercy

The Divine Mercy chaplet will be prayed in the chapel after every 8:30 AM Mass on Wednesdays beginning this Wednesday, October 20. Please join us in the chapel. Bring your Rosary or there are Rosaries in the chapel for you to use.

Stewardship

"Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid?" - Romans 11:35

St. Paul reminds us of a central fact of stewardship. We cannot **give** the Lord anything, because God already owns it all. God made everything. All that we can do is **return** a portion of God's many gifts back to Him. Sincere gratitude for our gifts opens our hearts to joyful generosity!

Stewardship of Talents

Disciples who practice stewardship recognize God as the origin of life, the giver of freedom, the source of all they have and are and will be . . . They know themselves to be recipients and caretakers of God's many gifts". (Stewardship: A Disciple's Response p. 5.) God has blessed you with many gifts and talents and He has given them to you to use for the betterment of others. It is helpful to "identify your gifts, develop them and return a portion to God in gratitude." (Stewardship: A Parish Handbook p. 7) Is this easy to do? YES! Look at your life and examine the areas you enjoy: **your** occupation, skills, talents, interests, hobbies, etc. Now take a look at the needs of our community. How can you use **your** gifts God has given you to better our world and build up the kingdom of God? Take some time this week to examine gifts. Contact Holly at 833-2600 or *holly@stamadison.org*.

Prayer

Did you know there are 8760 hours in a year! If we sleep 8 hours a night and work 8 hours a day a week, 3840 hours are left for household chores, meal preparation, exercise, fun activities, prayer, etc. This seems like a lot of hours, but how are we managing our time? How many hours are you devoting to prayer? Intentionally scheduling prayer time is a great way to develop a closer relationship with God. As this relationship grows, your mind and heart to will be opened to generously giving of your time, talent and treasure. You will become a true follower of Christ and stewardship will become a way of life. This coming week, schedule some intentional daily prayer time and see what happens. St. Francis de Sales said: "Every one of us needs half an hour of prayer a day, except when we are busy-then we need an hour." Try it! It will change your day!

Oración

¿Sabías que hay 8, 760 horas en un año? Si dormimos 8 horas por noche y trabajamos 8 horas al día a la semana, quedan 3,840 horas para las tareas domésticas, la preparación de comidas, el ejercicio, las actividades divertidas, la oración, etc. Esto parece un montón de horas, pero ¿cómo estamos gestionando nuestro tiempo? ¿Cuántas horas dedicas a la oración? Programar intencionalmente el tiempo de oración es una excelente manera de desarrollar una relación más cercana con Dios. A medida que esta relación crece, su mente y corazón se abrirán a dar generosamente de su tiempo, talento y tesoro. Te convertirás en un verdadero seguidor de Cristo y la corresponsabilidad se convertirá en una forma de vida. Esta próxima semana, programe un tiempo de oración diario intencional y vea qué sucede. San Francisco de Sales dijo: "Cada uno de nosotros necesita media hora de oración al día, excepto cuando estamos ocupados, entonces necesitamos una hora". ¡Pruébalo! Cambiará tu día!

St. John Henry Newman's *The Idea of a University*

All Madison-area college and university instructors (including teaching assistants) are invited to:

Mass and a talk by Bishop Hying
All Saints' Day, November 1st, at 6:30 p.m.
Bishop O'Connor Catholic Pastoral Center
702 S. High Point Rd., Madison

This event is the first in a series for Catholic faculty that focuses on contributions of saints who were also scholars. Questions, contact Cecelia Klingele at cklingele@wisc.edu.

International Combined Collection

This weekend, October 23 – 24th

This weekend, the International Combined Collection is being conducted across the diocese. Enclosed in this bulletin is a brochure explaining all of the individual collections and an envelope to make your donation. Please consider how you can make a difference in the lives of so many.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 23
4:30 PM Shirley DiRienzo
6:30 PM Castellino & Calderón Families' Special Intentions

Sunday, October 24
8:00 AM Deceased members of the George & Mary Hewitt Family ✝
10:00 AM St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners

Monday, October 25
8:30 AM Fred Zingsheim ✝

Tuesday, October 26
5:30 PM Ernest & Margaret Johnson ✝

Wednesday, October 27
8:30 AM Priests of the Madison Diocese

Thursday, October 28
7:30 AM Janeen Meehan ✝

Friday, October 29
8:30 AM Rose DePietro ✝

Saturday, October 30
4:30 PM St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners
6:30 PM Noris Antonieta Carreño Mora ✝

Sunday, October 31
8:00 AM James & Marilyn Schaefer ✝
10:00 AM Deceased members of the Sorge & Frederick Families ✝

Thank You for Donations

Sharing Sunday Donations

Thank you to all parishioners who donated over 450 pounds of food and supplies for the Lussier Community Education Center last Sunday. LCEC appreciated the large quantities of the most needed items, especially the toilet paper and pull-up diapers. The donations provide continued support for our nearby neighbors.

Also, thank you to the volunteers who transported, weighed and sorted the items at LCEC. We are grateful for your efforts and efficiency! Additional volunteers are always welcome. This is a great family service activity.

Weekly Offertory Update

Week Ending	Income*	Monthly Budget Projection		Make Disciples Capital Campaign (MDCC)	MDCC Endowment
January Total	$107,426	$89,283		$127,315	$10,412
February Total	$84,118	$83,433		$18,739	$9,025
March Total	$112,758	$100,694		$36,537	$421
April Total	$105,478	$106,314		$39,433	$839
May Total	$94,733	$101,624		$37,429	$4,129
June Total	$84,055	$100,294		$11,880	$255
July Total	$92,231	$103,000		$25,517	$630
August Total	$109,435	$103,000		$34,939	$2,762
September Total	$91,482	$103,000		$18,087	$482
10/4/2021	$30,918			$10,877	$134
10/11/2021	$18,362			$5,744	$644
10/18/2021	$13,728			$7,748	$133
10/25/2021					
October Total	**$63,000**	**$103,000**		**$24,369**	**$911**

***Envelopes, stock gifts, PayPal Credit/Debit and ACH online, ACH monthly withdrawals, plus Loose Offertory (cash)**

COUNTERS SCHEDULE
Monday, October 25: Aeki Baik
Monday, November 1: Dick Ihlenfeld & Carol Sawyer

Readings for the Week of October 24

Sunday: Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52
Monday: Rom 8:12-17; Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21; Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25; Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday: Rom 8:26-30; Ps 13:4-5, 6; Lk 13:22-30
Thursday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Lk 6:12-16
Friday: Rom 9:1-5; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Lk 14:1-6
Saturday: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18; Lk 14:1, 7-11
Next Sunday: Dt 6:2-6; Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51; Heb 7:23-28; Mk 12:28b-34

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