



ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CATHOLIC PARISH

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

25th Sunday of Ordinary Time
September 18, 2022

Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.
Psalms 113

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

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

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

SERVE

"No servant can
serve two masters."

LUKE 16:13

"No hay criado que pueda
servir a dos amos".

LUCAS 16, 13

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25° domingo del tiempo ordinario
18 septiembre de 2022

Alaben al Señor, que alza al pobre.
Psalm 113

Parish News and Words from Our Pastor

Noticias Parroquiales y Mensaje de Nuestro Párroco

by Fr. Bart Timmerman

25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

This Sunday I will be traveling to the Wisconsin Dells after Mass to attend our Annual Presbyteral Assembly at the Chula Vista Resort. This year in particular is highly anticipated because our topic will be future planning with our consultant firm, *PartnersEdge, LLC*. Our Future Planning Strategy is called Into the Deep, which references the Gospel episode in Luke, chapter 5, where Jesus asks Peter to “put out into the deep and lower your nets for a catch (Luke 5:4).”

According to Bishop Hying, we have been operating the diocese under a 1960's model when we had many more priests, people attending Mass and celebrating the sacraments, and rural areas were more populated. This is no longer sustainable and we are spending too many resources maintaining buildings than in ministry and serving God's people. Bishop Hying is asking us to change the culture in our parishes through the Go Make Disciples initiative so we are prepared to undergo the major changes that will be happening in our parishes. When we see our mission as making disciples and growing in our personal relationship with Jesus, we will be able to accept the changes as a way to help move us forward in bringing Jesus Christ to the people of our communities. We do this even though it might mean letting go of how things have been done previously and where parishes will look very different.

Please pray for us as a diocese and also for the priests as we learn about the new models of ministry that we will be implementing in the near future. These three days of our Assembly will be very informative and I hope the priests can be united in whatever we are being asked to do as we learn about the many changes that are coming. To learn more, visit: <https://www.intothedeepmadison.org/>



25° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Este domingo estaré viajando a Wisconsin Dells después de la Misa para asistir a nuestra Asamblea Anual Presbiteral en el Chula Vista Resort. Este año en particular es muy esperado porque nuestro tema será planificando el futuro con nuestra Firma Consultora, *PartnersEdge, LLC*. Nuestra estrategia para Planificar para el Futuro se llama: “Echen Sus Redes”, que hace referencia al Evangelio de San Lucas, capítulo 5, donde Jesús le pide a Pedro “Lleva la barca mar adentro y echen las redes para pescar (Lucas 5:4)”

Según el Obispo Hying, hemos estado operando la diócesis con un modelo de 1960's cuando habían más sacerdotes, más personas asistiendo a Misa y celebrando los sacramentos y cuando las áreas rurales tenían una mayor población. Esto ya no es sostenible y estamos gastando más recursos en mantener edificios que en ministerio y en servir el pueblo de Dios. El Obispo Hying nos pide que cambiemos la cultura en nuestras parroquias a través de la iniciativa Ve y Haz Discípulos para estar preparados para recibir los grandes cambios que estarán sucediendo en nuestras parroquias. Cuando vemos nuestra misión de hacer discípulos y crecer nuestra relación personal con Jesús, entonces podremos aceptar los cambios como una manera de ayudarnos a avanzar la misión de llevar a Jesucristo a las personas de nuestra comunidad. Aunque esto signifique abandonar la manera en que las cosas se han hecho previamente y donde nuestras parroquias lucirán bien diferentes.

Por favor oren por nuestra diócesis y también por nosotros los sacerdotes mientras conocemos sobre los modelos nuevos de ministerio que estaremos implementando en un futuro cercano. Estos tres días de nuestra Asamblea serán bien informativos y yo espero que los sacerdotes puedan estar unificados en cualquier cosa que se nos pida hacer a la vez que aprendemos sobre todos los cambios que se aproximan.

Knights of Columbus of Our Lady of the Lakes Council



For the Knights of Columbus of Our Lady of the Lakes Council, charity means supporting a virtually boundless variety of projects. This year, we have provided around 75 new coats for the Catholic Multicultural Center's less fortunate families. We are helping these struggling families to clothe their children with a basic need—a winter coat. This is just one of our many charitable endeavors.

Whether we are giving out coats for kids, leading a hand in disaster relief efforts, supporting local pregnancy centers and vocations or serving our community in Faith, this is who the Knights of Columbus are.

Our Lady of the Lakes Council includes members of Our Lady Queen of Peace and St. Thomas Aquinas Parishes faithfully serving our community. No matter what stage of life you are in, we all are in this journey together. Our group of men are here to lead, serve, protect, and defend. Our council is always open to new members. Please visit our website at www.kc4527.org.

Catechetical Sunday

Domingo Catequístico 2022

by Fr. Bart Timmerman

Catechetical Sunday 2022

This Sunday is a national day to celebrate the ministry of passing on the Catholic Faith. This year's theme is: "This is My Body, given for you." With these words from the Gospel (Luke 22:19), the Lord Jesus offers us the gift of Himself in the Eucharist. This theme reminds us that the object of all catechesis is Jesus Himself. The role of the catechist is, first of all, to be a disciple and one who draws close to Jesus in the Eucharist, and then to be a witness to others and a companion as they, too, come to know Jesus and to encounter Him in the sacraments. May we who aspire to be effective catechists, have unwavering faith in the real presence of Christ, as we lead others by teaching and example to encounter Jesus with us at the Eucharistic table.

Here at STA, we have made a commitment to offer Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) to our youth in grades 1-5. This CGS model is a Montessori-style learning that takes place in an "atrium" (or classroom), where the students learn to develop a personal relationship with Jesus and explore the Gospels through using concrete models or manipulatives. CGS meets on Tuesdays at 4-5:30PM & 6-7:30PM and Wednesday evenings at 4-5:30PM. We also are offering traditional catechesis to accommodate more students in both English and Spanish, which meets on Wednesday evenings at 6 p.m. All second graders also prepare for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion using the Dynamic Catholic series called "Blessed."

The middle school students in grades 6-8 also meet on Wednesdays at 6 p.m., and learn according to the *Edge Program*, which is part of the *Teen Life Ministry* model. The high school students learn according to a youth ministry model called *Teen Life* resources. The ninth graders additionally have lessons for preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

We are still looking for someone to lead our Adaptive Catechesis Program for children with special learning needs. And we are looking for additional support with our Middle School Program. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Robert Rosa Cruz: Robert@stamadison.org or call 833-2600.

Thank You to Our Catechists!

Thank you to all of our catechists who are making this commitment to help lead our young people to Jesus! Without dedicated volunteer catechists, we could not offer such a rich and diverse catechetical opportunity to our families and young people. Let us pray for all of our youth, parents, catechists, and STA Staff who work together to pass on our Catholic faith.

Domingo Catequístico 2022

Este domingo es el día nacional para celebrar el ministerio de pasar la Fé Católica. Este año el tema es: "Esto es mi cuerpo, que es entregado por ustedes." Con estas palabras del Evangelio (Lucas 22:19), Jesús Nuestro Señor nos ofrece el regalo de Él mismo en la Eucaristía. Este tema nos recuerda que el objetivo de toda catequesis es Jesús. El rol del Catequista es, primero que todo, ser un discípulo que se acerca a Jesús en la Eucaristía y luego ser un testigo para otros y un compañero mientras ellos también empiezan a conocer y a encontrar a Jesús en los sacramentos. Que nosotros los que aspiramos a ser catequistas efectivos, tengamos una fe inquebrantable en la presencia real de Cristo, para que guiemos a otros enseñándoles y siendo ejemplos al encontrar a Jesús con nosotros en el Mesa Eucarística.

Aquí en STA, hemos hecho el compromiso de ofrecer la Catequesis del Buen Pastor a nuestros niños en los grados 1-5. Esta Catequesis del Buen Pastor es en el estilo Montessori y se realizan en el "Atrio" (o salón), donde los estudiantes aprende a desarrollar una relación personal con Jesús y explorar los Evangelios a través de modelos concretos o manipulativos. La Catequesis del Buen Pastor se reúne los Martes a las 4 a 5:30 p.m. y 6 a 7:30 p.m. y los Miércoles en la tarde a las 4 a 5:30 p.m. También estamos ofreciendo Catequesis Tradicional en inglés y español para acomodar más estudiantes, y se reúne los Miércoles a las 6 p.m. También los estudiantes de Segundo grado se preparan para los Sacramentos de Primera Reconciliación y Primera Comunión utilizando la serie de Dynamic Catholic llamada, "Bendecido/a".

Los estudiantes de escuela intermedia en los grados 6-8 también se reúnen los Miércoles a las 6 p.m., y aprenderán utilizando el *Edge Program*, que es parte del modelo de *Teen Life Ministry*. Los estudiantes de escuela secundaria (high school) aprenderán utilizando el Modelo *Youth Ministry* y usarán los recursos de *Teen Life*. Los estudiantes de noveno grado tendrán lecciones adicionales en preparación para el Sacramento de Confirmación.

Todavía estamos buscando a una persona que dirija el Programa de Catequesis Adaptable para niños con necesidades especiales de aprendizaje. También estamos buscando apoyo adicional para nuestro Programa de Escuela Intermedia. Si está interesado en ser voluntario, por favor contacte a Robert Rosa Cruz: llame al 608-833-2600 o Robert@stamadison.org.

Gracias a Nuestros Catequistas!

Gracias a todos nuestros catequistas que están comprometidos en ayudar a catequizar a nuestros niños y jóvenes y guiarlos a Jesús! Sin los catequistas voluntarios dedicados, no podríamos ofrecer las diversa y abundantes oportunidades catequísticas a nuestras familias, niños y jóvenes. Oremos por nuestros niños, jóvenes, padres, catequistas y el Personal de STA que trabajan juntos para pasar nuestra Fe Católica.

Blessed Virgin Mary Celebrations

by Fr. Bart Timmerman

Our Lady of Coromoto Celebration

One of the gifts that our Hispanic Catholics can offer us in our faith journey is their great love for and devotion to our Blessed Mother, Mary. In Venezuela, there is a great devotion to Our Lady of Coromoto. This year on September 8, 2022, we celebrated the 370th Anniversary of the Blessed Virgin Mary's Appearance on a small piece of wood (2.5 cm high and 2 cm wide) to Chief Coromoto, who incidentally wanted to capture/kill her. Our Blessed Mother Appeared to the Chief, in order to encourage him to be Baptized. After this apparition, miraculous events began to happen, including the baptism of the chief and all the indigenous people of the tribe. Scientific studies are being done on the tiny relic to try and discover how the relic continues to restore itself without any human intervention.

The message of Our Lady of Coromoto is threefold:

She **Encourages** the institution of marriage-man, woman, and children.

She **Invites** to the union and solidarity of the family with the community.

She **Calls** to convert to Jesus within the Catholic Church.

After our Spanish Mass on Saturday this weekend, we will show a 30 minute video telling the story of Our Lady of Coromoto and serve juice and snacks in the Gathering Area. All are welcome to attend.



More Celebrations of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Come!

Our Hispanic Ministry Committee is planning two more special celebrations honoring our Blessed Mother, Mary:

Our Lady of Chiquinquirá: Saturday, November 19 at our 6:30 p.m. Spanish Mass.

Our Lady of Guadalupe: Monday, December 12 at a special bilingual Mass at 6:30 p.m.

These are in addition to the Holy Day of Obligation on **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary:** Thursday, December 8 at 6:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m., and 6:30 p.m. (bilingual).

Celebración en Honor a Nuestra Señora de Coromoto

Uno de los dones que nuestros Católicos Hispanos nos ofrecen en nuestro camino de fe es su amor tan grande y devoción a nuestra Santísima Madre, María. En Venezuela hay una gran devoción a Nuestra Señora de Coromoto. Este año, el 8 de septiembre de 2022, celebramos el Aniversario número 370 de la aparición de Nuestra Santísima Virgen María en un pequeño pedazo de madera (2.5 cm de alto y 2 cm de ancho) a el Jefe Coromoto, que por cierto quería capturarla y matarla. Nuestra Santísima Madre se le apareció al Jefe para motivarlo a que se bautizara. Después de la aparición, eventos milagrosos empezaron a suceder, incluido el bautismo del Jefe y de todas las personas indígenas de la tribu. Se han hecho estudios científicos en la diminuta reliquia para probar y descubrir como la reliquia se auto repara sin intervención humana.

El mensaje de Nuestra Señora de Coromoto es:

Ella **Promueve** la institución del matrimonio; hombre, mujer y niños.

Ella **Invita** a la unión y solidaridad de la familia con la comunidad.

Ella **Llama** a convertirse a Jesús en la Iglesia Católica.

Luego de nuestra Misa en español el Sábado de este fin de semana, estaremos mostrando un video de 30 minutos sobre la historia de Nuestra Señora de Coromoto y serviremos jugos y aperitivos en el Área de Reunión. Todos están invitados.

Mas Celebraciones a Nuestra Santísima Virgen María!

Nuestro Comité del Ministerio Hispano está planificando dos celebraciones especiales más honrando a nuestra Santísima Madre, María:

Nuestra Señora de Chiquinquirá el Sábado, 19 de noviembre en nuestra Misa en español a las 6:30p.m.

Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, Lunes, 12 de diciembre en una Misa Especial Bilingüe a las 6:30p.m.

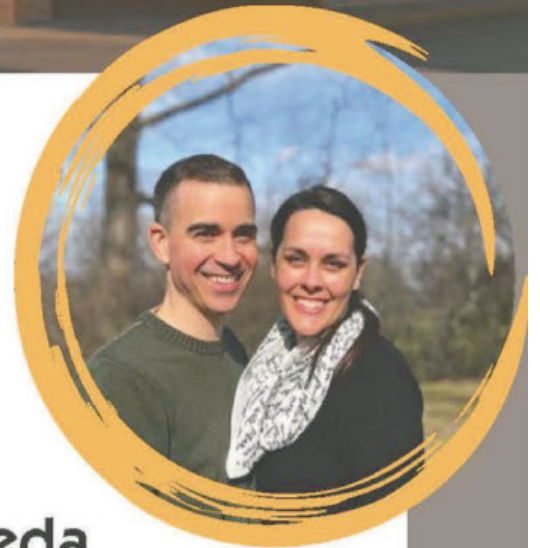
Estas celebraciones son en adición al Día Santo de Obligación de la **Solemnidad de La Inmaculada Concepción de Nuestra Santísima Virgen María** el Jueves, 8 de diciembre con Misas a las 6:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m. y 6:30 p.m. (bilingüe).

Illuminate

A SPEAKER SERIES FROM
ST. THOMAS AQUINAS CHURCH

Better to ILLUMINATE than to Merely Shine - Thomas Aquinas

Save the Date!
Invite a friend



Carlos & Elena Tejeda

Mercy Tree Adventures

Adventurous encounters with God's Word. This evening is open to everyone, as they present on joyful evangelization and help each of us to reflect on and identify the ways that God is calling us, and our families, to go and make disciples.

OCTOBER 13, 2022 | 6:30 - 8:00 pm
in Social Hall

For more information contact Jenny Ludtke
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jennifer@stamadison.org

Gospel Reflection

by Dcn. Jerome Buhman



Luke 16:1-13

In our Gospel today, we see some swindling going on, but with an interesting twist. In the parable that Jesus tells, a rich man's steward (something like a business manager) has been caught embezzling his master's money, and now is going to be fired. In those days, the way that stewards made money was to charge high amounts of interest, some of which they were allowed to keep. Apparently, this steward was taking not only his share, but some of his master's. So, he knows his pink slip is coming and he will soon be out of work.

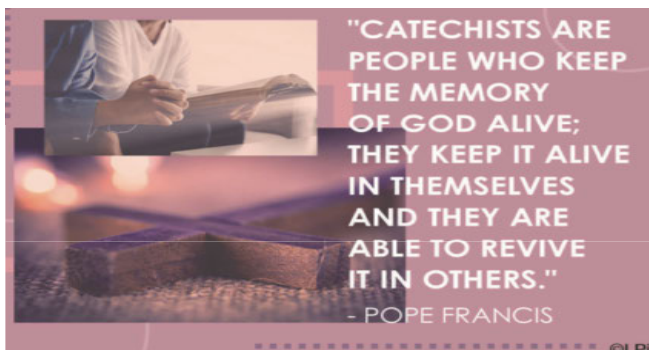
In ancient Israel, there was no Social Security and no unemployment. So, in light of his impending job loss, the steward decides to make some friends who might be able to help him when he gets the boot. He calls his master's debtors in to reduce the amount that they owe, hoping that in the near future they will in turn be kind to him and take him in. In reducing the debts, the steward eliminates any profit that he might make on that deal.

Now the very interesting, and very perplexing, part of the parable is this: when the master finds out what the steward has done, does he get angry? No, the master commends the steward for being clever and prudent!

Just what is Jesus trying to tell us here? Is he telling us it is OK to cheat or that we should "cook the books?" No, not at all. The key to a possible interpretation of the parable is in verse 8 when Jesus says:

"For the children of this world are more prudent in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light."

What Jesus is saying is that we often expend more energy, work, thought and time in pursuing material goods than we do in pursuing the kingdom of God. The steward is looking toward providing himself a place of safety after his master dismisses him. Therefore, he sacrifices some of what he could get *now* to provide a *future* benefit. If we, like the steward, eliminate some of what we desire now for the benefit of others, we too will be (with the grace of God) working on getting our future benefit -- as the Gospel says, "welcomed into eternal dwellings."



Discipleship & Development

by Holly Irving

Do Your Children See You Give?

Every parent wants to raise children who share and give generously. When our children someday meet God face to face, we want to know that they will hear Jesus say to them the same words the master said to those who used their talents wisely, "*Well done, my good and faithful servant...Come, share your master's joy.*" (Matt 25:21)

However, raising a generous child is a challenge in a society that constantly teaches children to want more and more things for themselves. One of the key factors in teaching children to be generous is to let them see you giving. After all, children mimic what they *see*, *not* what they *hear*.

Today many donations to the parish offertory may be made electronically or via mail. Thus, children may never actually see their parents give. Therefore, it is important that parents talk with children about the charitable gifts the family makes. If you would like to increase your giving you might even ask your kids about ways the family budget could be adjusted so that there is more to share with God.

Time, Talent, and Treasure

On the weekend of Oct 8 & 9, we will be conducting in pew pledging of our time, talent, and treasure. Because I want you to be aware of how you can return to the Lord all that He has done for you, there are "Getting To Know Your Parish" booklets in the gathering area. Please pick one up to see how you can use your time and talent to build up the Kingdom of God and how you can financially support the parish!

If you have any questions, please contact Holly Irving
608-833-2600 or holly@stamadison.org

Spice up your night at STA's "Taste of Chili Heaven" FUN(d) Raiser!

Come join us for our annual FUN(d) raiser on Friday, October 28 at 5:30. This evening will be filled with delicious fall food, drinks and dessert! There will be a wine pull and trivia! Don't tell me you are not good at Trivia! Form a team! There is power in numbers! Tickets go on sale soon!

For more information,
please contact Holly at
833-2600
holly@stamadison.org



Justice & Peace Committee

Season of Creation

September 1st - October 4th

The Season of Creation “offers individual believers and communities a fitting opportunity to reaffirm their personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for the protection of creation...”. (Pope Francis)

Thank you for participating in this season through daily prayer for healing of God’s creation, reflection on things you can do to better care for the earth, and renewed commitment to lifestyle changes.



You can **“Let your (energy efficient) light shine!”** by stopping by the table in the gathering area **on September 24-25 to pick up two free LED lightbulbs** from the Care for Creation Team as a reminder that replacing old light bulbs with more energy efficient bulbs helps to not only lower our carbon footprints but also saves us money--money that could be donated to help those affected by natural disasters made more severe due to rising temperatures. If you already have replaced all your old bulbs, consider giving the bulbs to a neighbor or family member. Sharing your commitment to caring for God’s creation will inspire them to do the same and may even lead to them joining you at Mass someday.

“Once we start to think about the kind of world we are leaving to future generations, we look at things differently; we realize that the world is a gift which we have freely received and must share with others...the world we have received also belongs to those who will follow us.” (Laudato Si 159)



Care for Creation Team

If you would like to join the STA Care for Creation Team to be inspired and supported by members of your faith community, contact Trudi Jenny, trudijenny@yahoo.com.

March for Life Wisconsin

Join pro-life advocates from across the state at March for Life Wisconsin **on Saturday, September 24 at 1:30 pm** at the State Capitol. If you'd like to carpool with other St. Thomas Aquinas parishioners, please meet in the STA parking lot at 12:15 pm. Be a voice for the unborn and their moms. Stand for Life!

For more information, please contact the STA Respect Life Team lead Greg Chesmore at:

gchesmore@yahoo.com. <https://www.prolifewi.org/upcoming-events/2022/9/24/march-for-life-wisconsin>

Music & Liturgy Corner

by Greg Buchberger



Ways to get involved:

Cantor/Small Group Singers

Saturday at 4:30 PM

Sunday at 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

Join any time. Rehearsals are scheduled on Wednesdays at 6:30PM.

STA Parish Choir

Sunday at 10:00 AM– September–May

The STA Parish Choir sings weekly at the 10:00 AM Sunday Mass. Most rehearsals are Thursdays from 6:30PM to 8:30PM. Warm-ups before Mass are at 9:15AM.

STA Choristers

Saturday at 4:30 PM &/or Sunday at 10:00 AM,

Once or Twice a Month September – May

The STA Choristers sing monthly at the 4:30PM Saturday Mass. This choir is open to students in grades 3-8, as well as high school students. Rehearsals are most often on Wednesday from 5:00-6:00PM before elementary and middle school faith formation.

Coro Español STA

Sábado a las 6:30PM

El coro español STA canta semanalmente en la Misa en español. Este coro canta todo el año y está abierto a estudiantes de 7mo grado en adelante y adultos. Los ensayos son los sábados a las 5:30PM antes de las Misa en español a las 6:30PM. Ingrese en cualquier momento. Póngase en contacto conmigo para obtener más información o venga y acompáñenos el sábado a las 5:30PM en el salón del Coro.

For more information, contact Greg:

greg@stamadison.org

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Small Faith Sharing Groups

Small Faith-sharing Groups: New members welcome

Faith groups nourish our sense of belonging. Our fast-paced lives can leave us little time to reflect on the meaning of life. Faith groups give us a chance to slow down, recall the day or week in quiet time and listen to God and others. This fall there are several small groups that would love to have you join them!

MOST – Men of St. Thomas Aquinas

This group spends time each week, **Tuesdays from 6:30-8pm**, with Sacred Scripture, reading from the Sunday Mass alternated with readings of each member's choice. Members discuss how the passage speaks to them, and in the process share personal challenges as well as experiences of hope. Looking to the future, the group is considering a change in format that would include studying the Catechism, and engaging in corporal acts of mercy either on their own with special projects or in support of other parish groups. This group meets in person at the parish. To learn more, contact Jim Wrich at jim.wrich@yahoo.com

Contemplative Dialogue

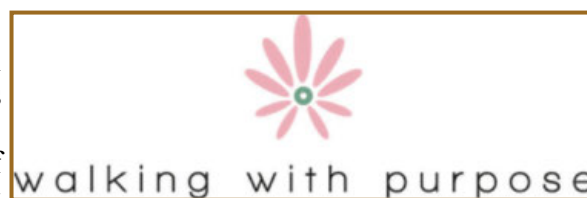
Contemplative Dialogue is a process of reading, silence and sharing that gives the Spirit a chance to move in one's heart through active listening. This group of women meet every other week at 9:30am at the parish. The group will be reflecting on *Lumen Fidei* and the **start date is September 29**. They would love to welcome another 2-4 new members as they continue growing closer to Jesus, strengthening their prayer life, and feeling braver in sharing their faith with others. To learn more, contact Trudi Jenny at trudijenny@yahoo.com

Women Journeying Together

This is a spiritually supportive group of older women, focused on prayer and intention. They start each meeting with sharing something about what is going on in their life: challenging issues, happy moments or anything in-between. The group meets weekly on Tuesday mornings from 10:30 to 12:00, either in person at the host's home or via zoom, depending on the group's availability. Currently, they are studying the book A Well Built Faith. To learn more, contact Carol Wright at fam4kidz@gmail.com

Walking with Purpose

WWP Bible studies for women combine personal study with small group discussion, linking our everyday challenges to the solutions given to us through the teachings of Christ and the Catholic Church. If you desire to grow in your faith—in a supportive community of Catholic women—Walking with Purpose is for you! We are forming a leadership team to bring this national ministry to the women of St. Thomas Aquinas, and to start a local chapter. If you would like to learn more about this dynamic bible study, there will be an informational meeting on Thursday, **September 22** at 6-7pm in the social hall. Please RSVP to Terri Hix at thixoh@msn.com. You can learn more WWP at www.walkingwithpurpose.com



Catholic Charities of Madison is 'Going to the Margins'

Join us in celebrating "Catholic Charities Sunday" on Sept. 18! Catholic Charities serves as the charitable arm of the Church in the Diocese of Madison, providing services which span a wide range of needs, including help for the aging, people with developmental disabilities, children and families, and those experiencing homelessness and substance abuse. Catholic Charities has served the Diocese since 1946 and helped more than 19,000 people in 2021.

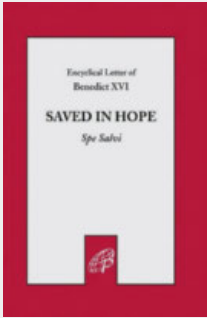
"Catholic Charities really compels us to go to the margins, as Pope Francis would say, and really look for the people that are kind of left out, overlooked, whose needs are not served, those who are invisible, and to go to them with the eyes and the heart of Christ," Bishop Donald Hying said in a new video released for "Catholic Charities Sunday." The video, titled "Going to the Margins," can be viewed online at bit.ly/ccsunday22. To learn more about Catholic Charities, read the Sept. 15 issue of The Catholic Herald and visit catholiccharitiesofmadison.org.

This "Catholic Charities Sunday," we ask parishioners throughout the Diocese of Madison to pray for the good work that staff and volunteers provide, to make a financial contribution to help support that work, and to consider volunteering.

Young Adults and Faith Formation

Young Adults: *Spe Salvi*

Starts Thursday, Sept. 22 at 7pm at
Panera Bread on *Mineral Point Road*.



We will continue with our study and
talk about the Virtues
with the church document
Spe Salvi.

(Free on vatican website).

Next time we meet,
we will talk about paragraphs 1-10.

Questions?

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If you'd like to carpool with other STA parishioners,
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voice for the unborn and their moms. Stand for Life!

For more information, please contact
the STA Respect Life Team lead Greg Chesmore
at gchesmore@yahoo.com.

<https://www.prolifewi.org/upcoming-events/2022/9/24/march-for-life-wisconsin>

Faith Formation 2022-2023 Kick Off (Overview)

*Preschool & Elementary
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd*

Tuesday, September 20th at 4-5:30PM & 6-7:30PM

Wednesday, September 21st at 4-5:30PM

*Elementary Students
Traditional Catechesis*

Wednesday, September 21st at 6-7:30PM

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Miercoles 21 de septiembre a las 6 a 7:30PM

Middle School

Wednesday, September 21st at 6-7:30PM

High School

Sunday, September 18th at 5-7PM

***Look for an email to all registered families
from Robert Rosa-Cruz between Sept 7-9.

If you did NOT receive an email,
please contact the Faith Formation Office.***

608-833-2606 or

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Come and have fun,
fellowship and faith!

MS YOUTH KICK OFF NIGHT

September 21, 2022

Wednesday from 6p-7:30p

St. Thomas Aquinas Parish
We'll meet at the social hall!

Contact Robert Rosa-Cruz for
more details at
robert@stamadison.org

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HS YOUTH KICK OFF NIGHT

St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Parish
9/18/2022 | 5p-7pm

Come to the social hall for food, fun and faith!

Mass Intentions

**Saturday, September 17 St. Robert Bellarmine,
Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

4:30 PM Lee Wollersheim ☩

6:30 PM St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners

Sunday, September 18 Catechetical Sunday

8:00 AM Andy Coombs

10:00 AM Don Chesmore ☩

Monday, September 19

8:30 AM For the Deceased Priests of the
Diocese ☩

Tuesday, September 20

5:30 PM Mary Jo and Chub Mottley ☩

**Wednesday, September 21 St. Matthew, Apostle
and Evangelist**

8:30 AM Margaret Tramontozzi ☩

Thursday, September 22

7:30 AM Margaret Petron ☩

Friday, September 23 St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

8:30 AM Otto, Laverne, & Vicki Paradise ☩

10:00 AM Thanksgiving Mass for Son and
Family

Saturday, September 24

4:30 PM Kevin Hartberg ☩

6:30 PM St. Thomas Aquinas Parishioners

Sunday, September 25 National Migration Week

8:00 AM Julia Dolphin Glab ☩

10:00 AM Chuck Belekevich ☩

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 18, 2022

Sunday: Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or
16:10-13

Monday: Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Mt 9:9-13

Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Eccl 11:9—12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk
16:19-31

Weekly Offertory Update

Week Ending	Income*	MDCC & MDCC Endowment
2022 GOAL thru September	\$933,000	\$300,347
2022 TOTALS	\$951,503	\$296,090
9/4/2022	\$11,854	\$5,325
9/11/2022	\$14,336	\$1,765
9/18/2022		
9/25/2022		
September	\$26,190	\$7,090
September	\$91,500	\$71,000

*Envelopes, stock gifts, PayPal Credit/Debit and ACH online, ACH monthly withdrawals, plus loose offertory (cash), adjustments to totals may occur.

COUNTERS' SCHEDULE

Monday, September 19:

Dulli, Ihlenfeld, Marx, Sawyer, Zingsheim

Monday, September 26:

Baik, Degenhardt, Hurtgen, Ihlenfeld, Peterson



**Luke House Community
Meal Program
Bring in Food Items by
September 22nd at 9AM**

St. Olaf Catholic Church Fall Festival 2022

615 Jefferson Street, De Forest, WI

Sunday, October 2, 2022

\$15 Chicken and Ham Dinner 11:00am-3:00pm

Raffle w/\$5,000 Grand Prize, Sinsinawa Bread Sale,

Online Silent Auction @ biddingowl.com/StOlaf

More info at SaintOlafChurch.org/St-Olaf-Fall-Festival

Prayers

September 18th

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

For all whose hearts ache from participating in abortion:

May they be strengthened to seek the Lord's compassion, mercy, and healing in the Sacrament of Reconciliation;

We pray to the Lord...

For all who follow Christ:

That they may be strengthened in their resolve to heal those who are persecuted due to the color of their skin;

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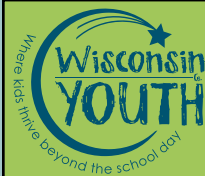
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