



# Saint Thomas Aquinas Parish



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## PARISH INFORMATION

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Monday through Friday: 7:30 a.m.  
(or Communion S.)  
Saturday Vigil: 4:30 p.m.  
Sundays: 9:00 a.m.

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. or by appointment

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Director: Mrs. Catherine Phipps  
Sundays 9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

## BIBLE STUDY

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Parish Conference: 574-806-0431

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday at 8:00 AM 1<sup>st</sup> Friday at 8:00 am

## BAPTISM

Please contact Fr. Stephen to arrange.

## MARRIAGE

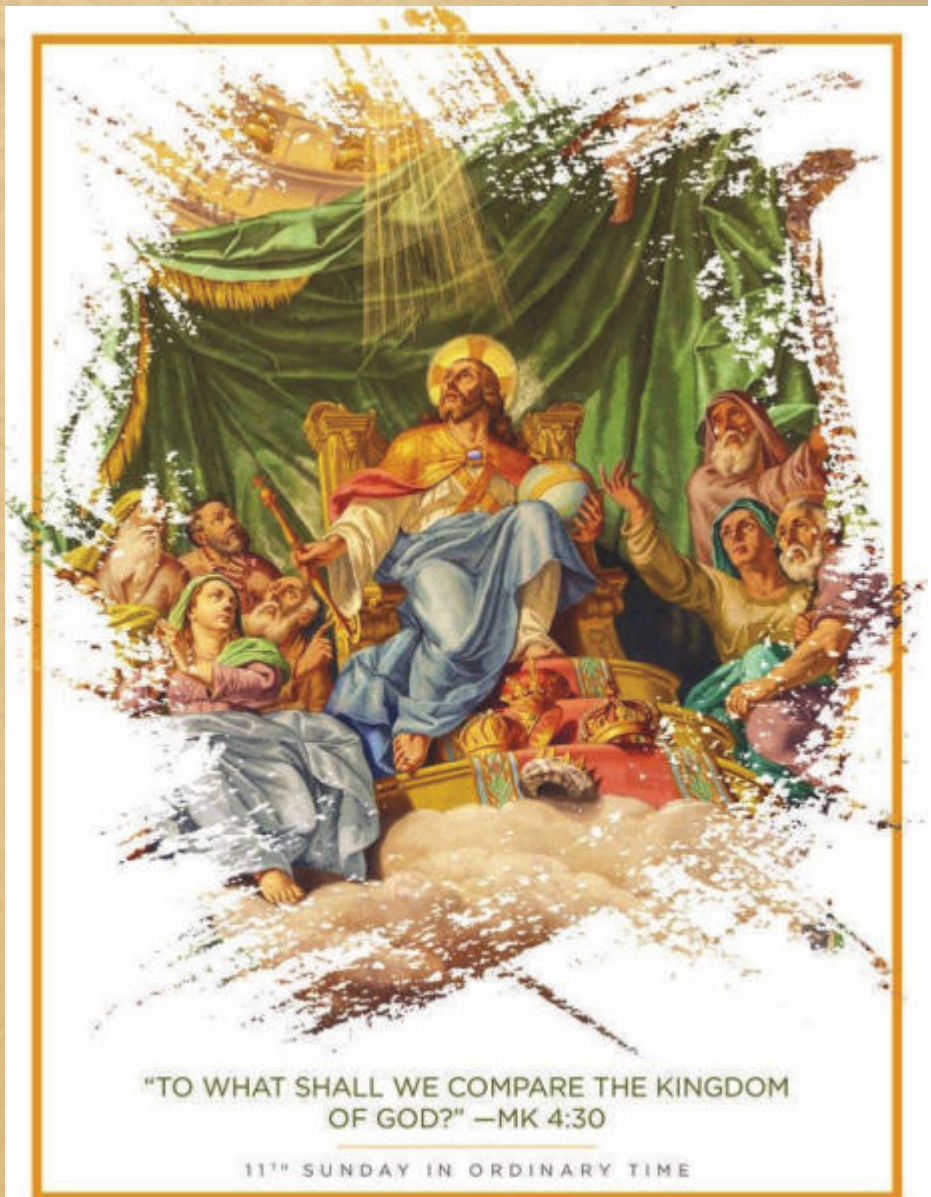
Couples' preparation required.  
Please contact Fr. Stephen at least 6  
months prior to wedding date.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK/COMMUNION

For the sick, elderly, homebound or  
hospitalized, please contact Fr. Stephen

## NEW PARISHIONERS

Please fill out a registration form  
obtainable from the office.



"TO WHAT SHALL WE COMPARE THE KINGDOM  
OF GOD?" —MK 4:30

11<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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**SUNDAY, JUNE 13: 11<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORD. TIME**

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Thomas Aquinas Church.

If we believe that God is with us and that God is still working to bring about the glory of God's kingdom, then the answer is no. We are never helpless or without hope. Armed with a strong life of prayer, we can always flee to God and ask for inspiration, wisdom, and especially love. We are all blessed with unique gifts and talents and it often seems that considering all that the world lacks, love and charity remain at the top of the list. Life can easily become a battleground of hostility. Because life is challenging and difficult, anger is not far away. We see it on people's faces and hear it in their voices. There is a measure of frustration that permeates all avenues of life. It is even felt in the air.

As people of faith, we know that what we see here is not the end but only a part of something far greater to come. We know that God's kingdom is where we are ultimately meant to be, and the Gospel is the way to get there. If love and charity can prevail in us, then God will be able to do what God does best. God will use us to scatter the seeds of his kingdom. Through our small gestures, those seeds can receive the nurturing attention that is necessary for them to bear great fruit. We cannot fall victim to the strife that is around us. We have to keep ourselves refreshed and focused so that even in small ways, we can become part of the solution, not the problem. Love and charity, which come from God, can help to heal the ills of the world. May we bring these simple gifts to the everyday simple tasks of our lives!

Fr. Stephen Loncar, Pastor

I will be attending **Priest's Retreat from June 13th to 18th.**

The Mass intentions will be used at the Masses during the retreat. See the Schedule.

There will be **Communion Service (C.S.) every day** at the church at 7:30 AM.

Happy Retreat!



## SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS

June 5-6, 2021

Checks	\$1150
Currency	\$ 488
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1638</b>

Thank you and God bless you for your continued generous stewardship of St. Thomas Aquinas Parish

**Second Collection for Catholic Charities: Next Sunday, June 20th.** As we honor our fathers and father figures, please consider a special **Father's Day Collection** gift for **Catholic Charities**. Your gift will make a significant impact for those facing extraordinary circumstances and will serve as gratitude for the impact your father and father figures made in your life! You can visit [www.catholic-charities.org](http://www.catholic-charities.org) to learn about their programs and to donate. Those not attending Mass can send their Father's Day Collection gift to **Catholic Charities at 940 Broadway, Gary, IN 46402.**

**Listen to Redeemer Radio 95.7 FM.**

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Watch the Masses from the Cathedral on Sundays at 11 AM at [dcgary.org](http://dcgary.org)

If you have to have a Confession at St. Thomas, a priest will hear individual confessions **in the confessional** from now on.

### MASS TIMES update:

Summer schedule of Masses as of May 9th: **Saturdays at 4:30 PM and on Sundays at 9:00 AM . Weekday Masses at 7:30 AM.** Until further notice.



**Quilt raffle for Jinger Vincent, 8th grader cancer patient,** Altar/Rosary Sodality members sponsor this raffle and will sell tickets before and after Masses in the vestibule.

Tickets: **\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.**

For tickets see: Helen Guriel 574 772 2983.

Drawing: Labor Day Weekend.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

If anyone can be removed from the list, please notify Fr. Steve



Tracy Emard	Mary Devos	Donald Smith	Wilmer Sabinski
Staci McMahon	Mary Frieburger	John Delong	Eileen Noonan
Tom Borowy	Sandra DeGaard	Roberta McKendry	Jim Sellers
Diane Kope	Jim McGrory	Nancy Dlugai	Joe Downs Don Carl
Christina Sue Robertson	Debbie Byrd	Chiri Pettinato	Beverly Casey
Collin Hernandez	Eileen Beaty	Brian Casey	Msgr Dick Zollinger
Kody Combs	Catherine Claffey	Martin Bedrock	
Julie Michel	Rebecca Czarneci	Jinger Vincent	
Lisa Alberding	Augustina Braccolino		
Austin Blake	Frank Braccolino		
Robert Gonzales	Joe Delong		
Alice Condon	Melissa Gaskill		
Diana Carter	John Smith		



### WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS, SCHEDULE

Monday, June 14	11th Week in Ord. Time Communion S. 7:30 am	Souls in Purgatory
Tuesday, June 15	11th Week in Ord. Time C.S.: 7:30 AM	Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday, June 16	11th Week in Ord. Time C.S.: 7:30 AM	Souls in Purgatory
Thursday, June 17	11th Week in Ord. time C.S.: 7:30 AM	Souls in Purgatory
Friday, June 18	11th Week in Ord. Time C.S.: 7:30 AM	Souls in Purgatory

The general dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass is hereby lifted throughout the State of Indiana. Masks will no longer be required at our liturgies. Masks continue to be strongly recommended for those who have not been fully vaccinated, including clergy.



Jesus asks us to be generous with the gifts that God has given us. We do this in many ways through *volunteering, offering food and other gifts to help the local Church.*

Please consider how you can be a *Partner in Christ:*

- PRAY – *Is God asking me to pray for our neighbors, priest, family, myself?*
- ACT -- *How is God asking me to share my blessings with others?*
- LOVE – *Am I allowing God to love others more fully through me?*

**Gifts to CSA** support programs that provide hope and assistance through local parishes, the diocese and the universal Church.

All gifts are valuable. Please consider how you can be a partner in Christ's work, and make a gift today!

Call the CSA office (219) 769-9292, ext. 268 for a pledge card, or donate online at [www.dcgary.org/csa](http://www.dcgary.org/csa).

JUNE 19–20, 2021: 12TH SUNDAY IN ORD. TIME SUNDAY			
<b>Saturday, June 19</b>	4:30 PM	Members of the Parish	
<b>Sunday, June 20</b>	9:00 AM	Rose Ann Kozub	
LITURGICAL PARTICIPANTS			
	4:30 PM		9:00 AM
<b>Servers:</b>			
<b>Lector:</b>	Brown		Raab
<b>Offertory:</b>			
<b>EM of Holy Communion</b>	(H) Y. Gustafson (C) (C)	(H) (C) (C)	(H) P. Varchetto (C) (C)

c. 3. **Funerals should resume in the usual fashion for funerals.** When the church is large enough to accommodate it, the immediate family may accompany the body of the deceased to the altar and then take their seats. Masks should be worn by all in attendance following the basic protocols.

4. **Anointing of the Sick should proceed in the normal fashion** with the priest sanitizing his thumb after each anointing. If a patient is COVID positive and the priest is uncomfortable in anointing such a patient, they should find a priest who is willing to administer the sacrament.

5. **The Sacrament of Penance can return to the usual confessional room** unless the pastor deems it far too small and lacking in ventilation. Both the penitent and the priest should be masked. Face to face confession can be administered at the pastor's discretion.

**Outdoors Mass** is scheduled and will be celebrated on **Sunday, July 18th at 10:30 AM** in the **#3 Pavilion**. Bring your own lawn chair. Picnic and after Mass activities are pending.

Donate to Victims of Carmelite



*27 children as well as multiple staff and the Carmelite Sisters have been displaced due to a fire at the home in East Chicago. Our SVDP is part of the District of Gary which helps those in need.*

**NEEDS INCLUDE:**

- Toiletries, Linens, Sanitary items, Diapers, Soap, Toothpaste, Paper products, Bottled water, and more.
- ALSO:** Boys and girls clothing, Socks, Shoes, Pajamas, Sports bras sizes 7-16, or M-X.

**Monetary gifts and gift cards** are also welcomed.

**Drop off donations in the church hall** before or after the Masses the weekend of June 12 and 13.

SVDP will deliver the items the week of June 14.

**Children's Mass:** Every third Sunday of the Month.

Our **Catechumen:** Ashlee Miller (Engaged to Dennis Fornelli)

**WANTED: PRAYER WARRIORS**

We have started a **prayer chain for those who need a more attentional prayer.**

If you are interested, call Linda Kelly at 806-0001 or Mary Kleinfehn at 806-2740.

Msgr. Richard Zollinger  
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