



Saint Thomas Aquinas Parish



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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 10:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

BIBLE STUDY on the Eucharist:

Tuesdays at 9:00–11:00 AM

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Parish Conference: 574-806-0431

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

1st Sunday at 8:00 AM 1st Friday at 8:00 am

BAPTISM

Please contact Fr. Stephen to arrange.

MARRIAGE

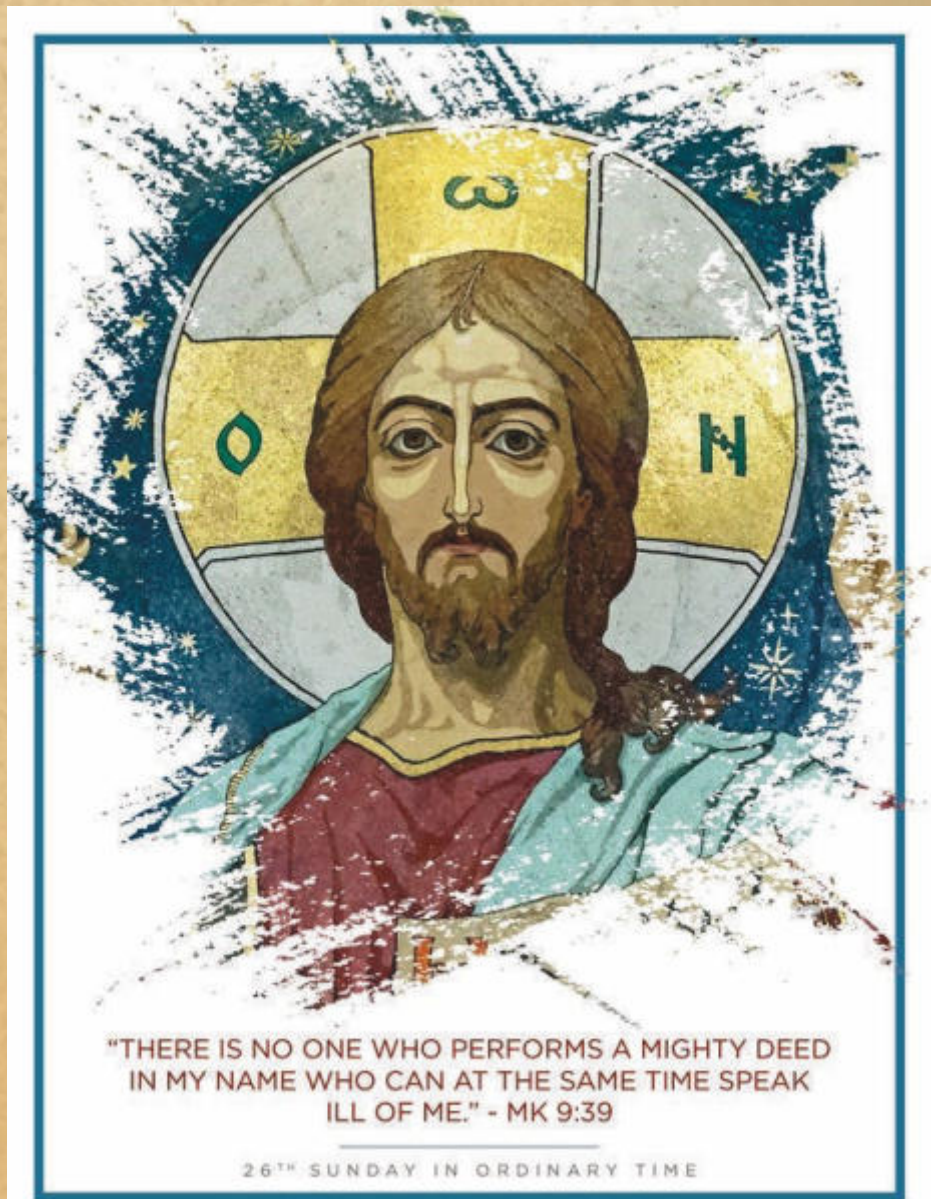
Couples' preparation required.
Please contact Fr. Stephen at least 6 months prior to wedding date.

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.



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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26: 26TH SUNDAY IN ORD. TIME

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Thomas Aquinas Church.

What are the little ones? They are the poor, the marginalized, the women and men at the well, the Zacchaeus' looking for Jesus from a tree, those mired in sin, the blind who want to see, and the lame who want to walk. They are the lepers and the different ones who have been told that they are unclean, and the ones who suffer from abuse and grave injustices and oppression. They are children who want nothing more than to be loved and enjoy celebrating their innocence. These are all the little ones and they are all vulnerable. Life already brings them burdens, we don't need to add to them.

St. Oscar Romero said, "When the church hears the cry of the oppressed it cannot but denounce the social structures that give rise to and perpetuate the misery from which the cry arises." Why are so many people still so gravely hurting? We have the resources and the means to make things better. We choose not to. There are still those things called greed, pride, lust, apathy, jealousy, gluttony, and anger that prevent us from seeing each other and people to be loved and not objects to be used. Is this how God intended things to be?

God loves what is good and upright. It doesn't matter who did it or where it came from. In God's eyes, the end result is always faith, hope, and love. Those will always unite a person with God. We fill our lives with many things that are not good either for ourselves or for others. All of us have to work to discover what it is, exactly, that leads to the world's brokenness. There are people, systems, and ideologies in place that foster oppression and injustice rather than equity and fairness. Sadly, our complacency can be the greatest evil. Turning a blind eye, ignoring the truth, and believing that we are helpless to fix so great a problem, does little to move us closer to the kingdom of God. As members of the Body of Christ, we cannot condone anything that keeps people in misery. As it is said, charity begins at home. Perhaps a good place to start is with our own households and making sure their foundations are properly laid

Fr. Stephen Loncar, Pastor

WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS SCHEDULE

Monday, September 27	St. Vincent de Paul 7:30 AM	Thomas Cak
Tuesday, September 28	St. Wenceslaus 7:30 AM	Marion Fulte
Wednesday, September 29	St. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael 7:30 AM	Joseph Pondusa
Thursday, September 30	St. Jerome 7:30 AM	Stanley Masolak
1st Friday, October 1	St. Therese 7:30 AM	Frank Molinaro



SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS

September 18–19, 2021,

Checks \$ 820

Currency \$ 426

Total \$1206

We need to collect at least \$4,000—a week to cover regular, monthly parish expenses.

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

September 11–12, 2021:

Checks \$ 1415

Currency \$ 689

Total \$2104

MASS TIMES update:

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

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

Bella Vita's Pregnancy Center Annual Banquet is held today, **Sunday, September 25 at 5 PM at the Community Center in Knox.** If you cannot attend, you can still donate toward their life saving and affirming work any time.

Altar Rosary Sodality:

The next meeting will be on Monday, October 4 at 1:00 PM in Zollinger hall. You may wear a mask if you want to feel safer and are comfortable wearing one.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

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



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

Effective August 4, the Memorial of Saint John Vianney, all diocesan liturgical protocols put in place during the COVID-19 pandemic will be lifted. The only exception is that parishes should continue to refrain from distributing the Precious Blood to the assembly.



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:*

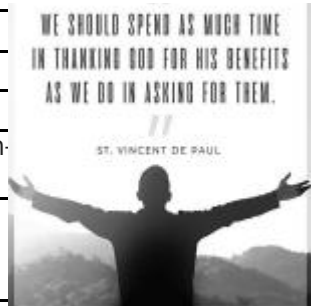
- PRAY – *Is God asking me to pray for our neighbors, priest, family, myself?*
- ACT -- *How is God asking me to share my blessings with others?*
- LOVE – *Am I allowing God to love others more fully through me?*

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.

OCTOBER 2–3, 2021: 27TH SUNDAY IN ORD. TIME		
Saturday, October 2	4:30 PM	Leonard Yarczyk
Sunday, October 3	9:00 AM	Jozefa Rychtarczyk
LITURGICAL PARTICIPANTS		
	4:30 PM	9:00 AM
Servers:		
Lector:	Kleinfehn	Pizur
Offertory:	Chuck, Mary Kleinfehn	gggy, Donna Skulski
EM of Holy Communion	(H) Y. Gustafson (C) (C)	(H) P. Varchetto (C) (C)



BIBLE STUDY on the Eucharist!

Begins: **Sept 14** at Zollinger Hall: 9:00–11:00 AM.
Cost: **\$10** if you want the study guide.

Quilt Raffle:

St. Thomas Altar & Rosary Ladies wish to **thank you** for supporting and donating to the Ginger Vincent Quilt Raffle. It was a great success. Again, thank you all and may God bless you all. Sincerely, Helen Guriel. Quilt winner was Dolly Healy. Check was presented to the Vincent Family at September 4th Mass.

St. Vincent de Paul Society will have an annual Commitment Ceremony with Vincentian Promise and Prayers on Saturday, September 25 at 4:30 Mass.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Welcome back, Students!
Religious Ed started September 12 with donuts and coffee at 10 AM in the Church Hall. **Registration forms** are in the vestibule and in the mail. Contact Catherine Phipps with questions, (574)249-4102

Parents who are not yet registered in the Parish should ask for the registration form to join. It is obligatory to belong to the Parish. Follow all other instructions from the Director of the Religious Education.

Children's Mass: Every third Sunday of the Month. Sunday, September 19th at 9 AM.

RCIA:

Our **Catechumen:** Ashlee Miller (Engaged to Dennis Fornelli)
Our New Candidate: Tammy Bailey.

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.

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