

St. Thomas More Catholic Church

3000 12th Ave. Coralville, IA 52241

The Baptism of the Lord
January 9, 2022

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EUCCHARISTIC LITURGY

WEEKDAYS: 9:00 A.M. (Except Monday)

WEEKEND: 5:15 P.M. Saturday Mass

8:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M. Sunday Mass

HOLIDAYS: 9:00 A.M., 6:00 P.M.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: 9:00 A.M. Monday

Knights of Columbus: Grand Knight - John Kauble
319-330-3853 johnkauble@gmail.com

Sickness

Please call the Parish Office whenever someone is ill or whenever there is a need for Communion at home.

Wounded by Abortion? Project Rachel Can Help:

Helpline: 563-333-4107 or 1-888-456-HOPE



MISSION STATEMENT

St. Thomas More Parish strives to be a Parish for All Seasons. We are committed to being an inclusive parish, to help all, in whatever season of life, to grow closer to God through engaging liturgies, support of family life, strong religious education, and a keen awareness of social justice.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Sun	Jan 9	8:30 AM - For the People 11:00 AM - Ray Skawski +
Mon	Jan 10	No Mass
Tues	Jan 11	9:00 AM - Mike Langguth +
Wed	Jan 12	9:00 AM - Sue Durian +
Thurs	Jan 13	9:00 AM - Laurie O'Neil-Buck +
Fri	Jan 14	9:00 AM - Jim Hardy +
Sat	Jan 15	9:00 AM - Donald & Martha Goche +
Sun	Jan 16	8:30 AM - For the People 11:00 AM - Connie Carder +

Readings for the week of January 9th, 2022

Sunday:	Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 Acts 10:34-38/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

Observances for the week of January 9th, 2022

Sunday:	The Baptism of the Lord
Monday:	
Tuesday:	
Wednesday:	
Thursday:	St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Friday:	
Saturday:	
Sunday:	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stewardship of Treasure

Green Envelopes:	Last Week	Yr-to-Date
Budgeted	\$ 32,000	\$ 424,000
Received	\$ 26,029	\$ 473,431
"Loose" Offertory Basket:		
Budgeted	\$ 700	\$ 17,700
Received	\$ 524	\$ 32,212

Year end contributions statements will be mailed mid to late January.

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you to St. Thomas More. Our parish community accepts people of all walks of life, races, ethnicities, sexual orientations, and gender identities. We are all on a spiritual journey, trying to find our way. All are welcome to join us. To register, please see the pastor after Mass or stop by the welcome table in the gathering space.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is arranged after Pre-Baptism Class. Baptisms celebrated monthly during Liturgy. Make arrangements by calling the Religious Education Office (319-337-4231).

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

We are honored to help you prepare for Christian Marriage and to celebrate your wedding. Please contact Fr. Adam prior to selecting a wedding date.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:30-5:00PM or by appointment.

RCIA-Right of Christian Initiation for Adults

Contact: Fr. Adam at the Parish Office or Shannon Duffy at redirector@stthomasmoreic.com

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Stephen Ministry is confidential, one-to-one caring and listening offered to adults in our community who are grieving a loss or in need of support. Please call or email

Cathy (319-631-0915) - nepola_fam@hotmail.com
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This week at St. Thomas More

Sunday, January 9th

Baptism Weekend
 Mass - 8:30AM
 RE K-5 9:45-10:45AM
 Mass - 11:00AM
 Confirmation Class 2:00PM

Monday, January 10th

Cornerstone Catholic Scripture Study in Lower Level
 9:45-11:45AM
 RE Class K-5 6:30-7:30PM

Tuesday, January 11th

Mass - 9:00AM
 Homily Group 9:45-10:45AM in MPR
 Stephen Ministry 7:00PM

Wednesday, January 12th

Mass- 9:00AM
 STM Free Lunch Program-Iowa City 11:00AM
 RE Class K-5 4:30-5:30PM
 RE Class 6-8 7:00-8:00PM

Thursday, January 13th

Mass - 9:00AM
 RCIA Class in Lower Level 7:00PM
 Pastoral Council Meeting in MPR 7:00PM

Friday, January 14th

Men's Group 6:45-8:00AM in the Lower Level
 Mass - 9:00AM

Saturday, January 15th

Rosary in Blessed Sacrament Chapel 10:00-10:45AM
 Mass - 5:15PM

Sunday, January 16th

Mass - 8:30AM
 RE K-5 9:45-10:45AM
 Mass - 11:00AM

Check the Website for updates

**Why is the Church having a Synod?
 What is "synodality"?**

Synodality denotes the particular style that qualifies the life and mission of the Church, expressing her nature as the People of God journeying together and gathering in assembly, summoned by the Lord Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit to proclaim the Gospel. Synodality ought to be expressed in the Church's ordinary way of living and working. In this sense, synodality enables the entire People of God to walk forward together, listening to the Holy Spirit and the Word of God, to participate in the mission of the Church in the communion that Christ establishes between us. Ultimately, this path of walking together is the most effective way of manifesting and putting into practice the nature of the Church as the pilgrim and missionary People of God. (from the Vatican's Vademecum (handbook) for the Synod)



As always, your generosity abounds fellow parishioners! Your Social Justice Commission would like to thank you for taking donation tags from our Giving Tree for the Crisis Center, the North Liberty, Coralville and Iowa City Food Pantries, Visiting Nurses Association and Elder Services. Thank you also for the gifts donated to the Domestic Violence Intervention Project (DVIP) including children's clothing, Motrin and diapers/wipes. A special thank you to our parishioners who donated two brand new bikes. Thank you again for the Toys for Tots and all of your other Giving Tree donations!

All 50+ members are welcome to the STM lower level for coffee and fellowship following Mass on the 1st Friday of each month. We will gather on February 4th. See you at 9:45AM in the Lower Level! Contact Norma Ward at nkkw@mchsi.com if you have any questions. The coffee pot will be on!

Food Pantry Collection:
Food Collection items can be placed in the multipurpose room in the blue barrels. *There will be a box for checks/cash donations. (You could also mail these to STM). Thank you for your continued contributions.



Your Social Justice Commission wants to thank-you so very much for your amazing generosity and support for this year's Toys for Tots campaign, and also for our monthly food collections. In both October and November you donated over 400lbs of food - wow!!

Tuesday Morning Homily Group
 Group review & discussion on upcoming Sunday Readings 9:45-10:45AM. All are welcome! Coffee is on!!

Join us every Wednesday at 7:30PM via Zoom and every Saturday at 10:00AM in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel (behind the Altar)
 Please email the Parish office for zoom details. Thank you.



Growing More in Faith
CHURCH BUILDING CAMPAIGN
Offer Extended

MORE good news on our GMIF Campaign! The offer by a generous parish member to add \$100 for every new pledge/donation and \$100 for every current pledge/donation that is increased by 20% has been extended to the end of January.

We are so pleased that so many are taking advantage of this offer which is also increasing our "ALL-IN" participation.

If you able to accept the donor's challenge, please pick up a pledge card in the church Gathering Space or call the parish office, 319-337-2173.

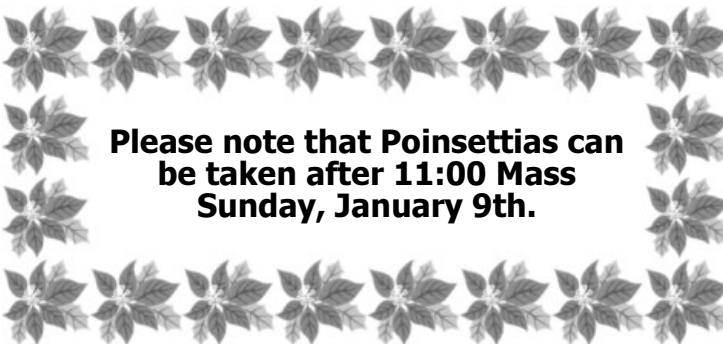


Do you own stocks, bonds, or mutual funds? When the account is no longer needed, would you like to make a gift to leave a legacy and support your parish and the Diocese? If so, perhaps you would consider a transfer on death (TOD) gifting strategy. With a TOD gift, you retain complete ownership of the account while you are living, and you can modify or revoke your gift at any time during your life.

Join the Young Adult Ministry!

The St Thomas More Young Adult Ministry welcomes all parishioners ages 21-39 who would like to meet and connect with one another. Single, married, parents- are all invited to attend our gatherings! Events typically -2 times a month and are open for anyone to drop in to. To learn more, join our email list by emailing Jackie at jacalyn.russ@gmail.com.

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Spaghetti Supper on Saturday, February 19th from 6:00-8:00PM in the church's lower level. A free will donation would be greatly appreciated as all proceeds will go to support STM's participation in the Free Lunch Program.



Please note that Poinsettias can be taken after 11:00 Mass Sunday, January 9th.

Regina's biggest fundraiser, The Regina Gala "Through The Decades" will be held virtually Saturday, February 5th, 2022! We appreciate the continued support and hope this year's "Catholic themed baskets" will be an opportunity for ALL the Parishes in our area to come together to support Regina Catholic Education Center. Keep an eye out for our Sign-up Genius to choose items to be included in the Baskets for boy's and girl's Baptismal, First Communion, Confirmation, and adult and child catholic devotionals/reading items. Other ways you can participate in support: 1) Any dollar amount in the form of a check written out to Regina Gala 2022 dropped off at your church office or Regina offices(or mailed to 2150 Rochester Ave, IC, IA 52245). 2.)Regal Rewards(Script) can be purchased in some parishes or through Regina. or 3) The Amazon wish list to come. Contact Trish Kohl, gala coordinator: trish.kohl@regina.org for questions/more details.

The first Euchre/Game Night in 2022 will be held Feb. 5th in the lower level of St. Thomas More after 5:15 Mass. Food/appetizers/dessert will be potluck since the variety and selections have worked so well. Remember to bring \$2.50 per person if you choose to play euchre or else just enjoy playing a game.



Little dresses/shorts sewers will also meet on January 25th from 1-4 in the St. Wenceslaus church basement. We'll start the new year off with a soup potluck prior to our sewing. For questions, contact Diana Cox 351-6811.



Stephen Ministry
"Be still and know that I am God." (Psalm 46:10a)

The holidays and winter present extra challenges for many. If you or someone you know is feeling especially isolated or lonely, a trained Stephen Minister may be the answer to your prayers. This person would provide one on one, confidential, Christ-centered care once a week for one hour. To inquire about a Stephen Minister for yourself or someone else, please contact:
 Cathy (319-631-0915) - nepola_fam@hotmail.com or Lee (319-331-5620) - LJG1218@hotmail.com





Knights of Columbus/Breakfast with Santa was a big hit! Thanks to everyone who came!



Saint Nick Day, Secret Santa
Thanks to everyone who helped and participated in adopting a family in need. We were able to help 56 families in our local area so they could have a wonderful Christmas!

Jr. High & High School NEWS



Mardi Gras is coming to town for the *Growing More in Faith Campaign!* STM Jr. High and High School Youth Groups are paying it forward this year and sponsoring Mardi Gras on Sunday, February 13th with a raffle, silent auction, and children's games. Dad's Belgian Waffles will also be here! All proceeds will be directed to the *Growing More in Faith Campaign.*

If you have any donations for our silent auction please contact Michelle Montgomery at michelle4youth@gmail.com or 319-337-4231.



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