

St. Thomas Apostle Church

Bible Study -

Tuesday at 7:00pm

Contact: STAYspiritual@gmail.com

Wednesday evening 7:00pm

Contact: 202-362-1466

Brothers of the Little Oratory - A men's group for those interested in learning more about and developing themselves in the spirituality of St. Philip Neri and the Oratory.
Contact Drew Hall through the Rectory

Children's Liturgy of the Word - parent-led program for children ages 4 to 12 during Sunday 10:30 am Mass.
Contact the Coordinator, Deirdre Bishop, through the Rectory

Children's Religious Education -

Sundays 11:45 am -1:00 pm

Contact the Director, Andrea Miano, through the Rectory

Choirs -

Traditional Choir sings at 10:30 am Mass.

Hispanic Choir sings at 12:00 Noon Mass.

Director: Efrain Anaya

Young Adult Choir sings at 7:30 pm Mass.

Director: Karen Clement

Finance Council - advises pastor on matters of parish finance.

Chair: Patrick Guarnieri, Contact the Rectory.

Gardening Committee - Saturdays, in season.
Contact Valerie Caracelli through the Rectory.

Hispanic Community - promotes religious, educational, pastoral, and social activities among Spanish-speaking parishioners. Contact the Rectory for more information.

Knights of Columbus - we are seeking to form a new Council. For information on joining contact Otto Heck through the Rectory

Liturgy Committee - plans and coordinates liturgical services. Contact the Chair, Deacon William Boesman, through the Rectory.

Pastoral Council - fosters parish welfare and mission by discussion, advice to pastor and service. Contact the chair, Andrea Miano, through the Rectory

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) - spiritual & doctrinal formation for those interested in the Catholic faith and for Catholics not fully initiated. Meets Sunday after 10:30 am Mass in Rectory.

Directors: Deacon William and Mary Boesman.

Contact the Rectory.

Samaritans - help fellow parishioners with physical needs. For help or to volunteer, contact Mary Boesman through the Rectory

STAY - STAY - promotes spiritual, service, and fellowship activities for young adults in their 20s and 30s. www.stayyoungadult.org

Chair: Shannon Hayes, staydc@gmail.com

St. Vincent de Paul Society - assists needy through Poor Box donations.

Chair Peter Brusoe. Contact Rectory.

Social Concerns Committee - education and advocacy for social justice.

Contact: Deacon William Boesman through the Rectory

Sodality of Our Lady - Marian group that sponsors spiritual, social and service activities. Meets the first Sunday of the month after 8:30 am Mass. Contact Rosemarie Neuner through the Rectory.

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Reverend Richard A. Mullins, Pastor

Monsignor Andrew R. Wadsworth

Deacon William C. Boesman

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil - 5:00 pm

Sunday - 8:30 am, 10:30 am,

12 Noon (Spanish) & 7:30 pm

Vespers and Benediction - 4:00 pm

Weekday Masses:

Mon. - Fri. - 8:00 am

Saturday - 12:00 noon

Holy Days of Obligation:

As Announced

Confessions:

Saturday - 4:00-4:50 pm

Sunday - 7:00-7:25 pm

Infant Baptisms:

Contact Deacon William Boesman, 202-362-1466 for parents' class and date of baptism.

Marriage:

Contact priest at least 6 months before desired date of wedding.

Sacrament of the Sick and Visits to Sick:

Please inform priest when parish members are hospitalized or are sick at home.

Miraculous Medal Novena:

Saturday: After Noon Mass

Funerals:

Consult with priests as soon as possible after death of your loved one before finalizing funeral plans.

*You became a believer because you saw me.
Blest are they who have not seen and have believed. - Jn 20, 29*

THE ST. THOMAS APOSTLE BULLETIN

Lord, let your face shine on us.

April 18, 2021
Third Sunday of Easter

Dear Parish Family,

Last year, our Holy Father Pope Francis wrote the prayer below in this time of pandemic one year ago this week. While we have made great strides with the advent of vaccines and greater knowledge of the disease, still, we continue to pray and to entrust the sick to the Lord.

O Mary,
you always shine on our path
as a sign of salvation and of hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your
faith firm.

You, Salvation of the Roman People,
know what we need,
and we are sure you will provide
so that, as in Cana of Galilee,
we may return to joy and to feasting
after this time of trial.
Help us, Mother of Divine Love,
to conform to the will of the Father
and to do as we are told by Jesus,
who has taken upon himself our sufferings
and carried our sorrows
to lead us, through the cross,
to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Mayor Bowser will allow greater opening on May 1st of public gatherings, concerts, museums, and public activities. While this is a sign of hope may we continue to pray for the sick, for those in harm's way and for all caregivers.

Your servant in Christ,
Father Richard

Heavenly Humor - A collector of rare books ran into an acquaintance who told him he had just thrown away an old Bible that he found in a dusty, old box. He happened to mention that Guten-somebody-or-other had printed it. "Not Gutenberg?" gasped the collector. "Yes, that was it!" "You idiot! You've thrown away one of the first books ever printed. A copy recently sold at auction for a million dollars!" "Oh, I don't think this book would have been worth anything close to that much," replied the man. "It was scribbled all over in the margins by some guy named Ignatius Loyola."

"Faith is illuminative, not operative; it does not force obedience, though it increases responsibility; it heightens guilt, but it does not prevent sin. The will is the source of action."
- Saint John Henry Newman

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, April 19 -

Weekday —

8:00 am - Dolly O'Reilly RIP

Tuesday, April 20 -

Weekday —

8:00 am - George Helow

Wednesday, April 21 -

St. Anselm Bishop and Doctor —

8:00 am - Frederick Field Jr. RIP

Thursday, April 22 -

Weekday —

8:00 am - Kaye Garvey RIP

Friday, April 23 -

St. George, Martyr —

8:00 am - Brother Joseph Murphy

Saturday, April 24 -

St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr —

12:00 noon - Cathy Ellison RIP

5:00 pm - Pro Populo

Sunday, April 25 -

Fourth Sunday of Easter —

8:30 am - Ariano Felice & Deceased Family
Members RIP

10:30 am - Pro Populo

12:00 noon - Pro Populo

7:30 pm - Pro Populo

MASS INTENTIONS: If you would like to have a Mass said for someone, living or dead please contact the Rectory at 202-234-1488. Suggested Offering is \$10.00

PLEASE CONSIDER GIVING ONLINE THROUGH PARISHGIVING. To get started, visit

<http://www.stthomasapostle.org> Parish Giving logo, and follow the registration steps. If you prefer manual enrollment, use the enrollment form in the pew, complete it and drop it in the offertory basket during mass. Contact the Rectory if you have any questions. 202-234-1488

NEW TO PARISH FAMILY? Welcome! Please complete a registration form from the back of the Church. You may opt either for online donations or envelopes. If you're leaving the Parish please notify the Rectory so we may update our records.



Bulletin Board



THANK YOU FOR WEARING YOUR MASKS IN CHURCH. This is a requirement of the District of Columbia by virtue of Mayor's Order 2020-080: Wearing Masks in the District of Columbia to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19.

WE BID FAREWELL this weekend to Br. Isaiah Beiter, OP, who has served St. Thomas Apostle parish with joy and distinction participating in the liturgies, the Bible studies and many other activities over these past two years. He will be ordained a priest in May and due to Covid restrictions, his first Mass will be private at the Dominican House. He hopes to celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving in the Fall here at St. Thomas Apostle. Thank you, Br. Isaiah, we were blessed to have you here and wish you every joy and blessing in your future ministry.

THANK YOU to Dr. Jay Perrotta who concludes his time of Director of Music at St. Thomas Apostle. During his time here he was especially helpful in the selection of our new organ and in directing the music at the 10:30 Mass. We wish him well in his new endeavors.

How to Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, using a set of rosary beads:

1. Begin with an Our Father, Hail Mary, and the Apostles' Creed
2. On the large beads: Eternal Father, I offer You the body, blood, soul and divinity of Your dearly Begotten Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.
3. On the small beads: For the sake of His sorrowful passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
4. At the end, say three times: Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

St. Thomas Apostle Young Adults (STAY)

STAY Mass is on Sunday at 7:30 PM.
Go to www.STAyoungadult.org for more info.
Contact us at STAYdc@gmail.com

STAY Weekly Bible Study Tuesday, Apr. 20 from 7:00-8:15 PM

Bible Study is meeting in-person in the parish hall and all are welcome to join. Masks and social distancing will be required.
Email STAYspirituality@gmail.com for more info.

POOR BOX: Please be mindful of those in need in these difficult times. The poor boxes are located next to the front doors of the Church. Thank you for your kindness.

Prayer to St. Joseph

Oh St. Joseph whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires. Oh St. Joseph do assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your divine son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, our Lord; so that having engaged here below your heavenly power I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of fathers. Oh St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while he reposes near your heart. Press him in my name and kiss his fine head for me, and ask him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath. St. Joseph, patron of departing souls, pray for us.
Amen.



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