

Saint Thomas More Parish

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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." - Mk 7:14-15

ONGOING ACTIVITIES

Bible Study Group – 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month in the Parish Center. (Sept.-June)

Men's Fellowship Group—2nd Saturday of each month at 9 a.m. in the TMR.

Parish Council — 2nd Tuesday of January, March, May, September, and November, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. All Parishioners are welcome!

Religious Education — Grades K-12 & Why Catholic (for Adults) classes are held on Sundays from Sept-May 9:30 to 10:45 a.m.

Rosary Group—after the 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass.

PLEASE JOIN US!



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Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Please see the weekday schedule inside this bulletin.



Confessions - Saturday from 3:45 - 4:15 p.m. or by appointment.

Rev. Msgr. James P. Farmer, Pastor

Rev. Mr. Michael P. McCoy, Deacon

Rev. Mr. Michael Baxter, Deacon

Mrs. Jane G. Brown, Music Minister

Mrs. Ana R. Trujillo,

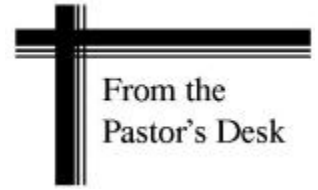
Coordinator of Religious Education

Ms. Maria A. Boling, Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Mrs. Carole Small-Charles, Receptionist

Dear Parishioners,

The Peace of the Lord Be With You!



“For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus, on the night he was handed over, took bread, and after he had given thanks, broke it and said *“This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”* In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, *“This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”* For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes. (1 Cor. 11: 23-26)”

There are three times in the Gospels where Jesus gave thanks. They are: (1) the feeding of the five thousand, (2) the raising of Lazarus from the dead, and (3) the Last Supper when Jesus instituted the Eucharist. The word Eucharist comes from the Greek word meaning thanksgiving. How often do we thank God for all that He does for us?


Jesus suffered and died for us. He left us the gift of himself, the Eucharist. On the cross Jesus gave Himself for us. In the Eucharist Jesus gives Himself to us.

Jesus is the answer to every question we have. Jesus is the solution to every problem we encounter. Jesus feeds us with His own body and blood.


The Eucharist is the sacrament of unity. When we receive Holy Communion we are united with Jesus, with other Catholics throughout the world, and with all Catholic people in heaven.

Let us prepare ourselves worthily to receive Holy Communion. Let us thank Jesus for giving us Himself, the Bread of Life.

In Christ,



We Pray in Faith that all who have died may be welcomed into the peace of God's Kingdom.




Please pray for our Parishioners and Friends, especially:
 Maureen Maguire, Rita Connor, Mary Berry, Frank Ciesla, Betty Burns (Joyce McCoy's sister), Baby Kaiden, Terry Shelley (Sue Lovell's daughter), Sr. Isabel Marie Haughey, OSF (Sr. Kathleen's sister), David Brown, Howard Baldwin, Terry Doyle, Maureen LaCotti (Maria's sister-in-law), Jim Gay, Ana Trujillo and Claire Pistorio

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Readings for Sept. 9, 2018
 Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/
 Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

Thank you for your continued generosity!



**MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE WEEK**

Monday 09/03 LABOR DAY
8:30 a.m. Mass

Tuesday 09/04
8:30 a.m. Mass **Catherine Bittner**

Wednesday 09/05
8:30 a.m. Mass

Thursday 09/06
8:30 a.m. Mass **Mildred Gallagher**

Friday 09/07
8:30 a.m. Mass **Theresa Rupinski**

Saturday 09/08
4:30 p.m. Mass **John Ellis**

Sunday 09/09
8:30 a.m. Mass **for the parishoners**
11:00 a.m. Mass

**LIVE THE LITURGY -
INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

In response to how the Pharisees and scribes lived their faith, Jesus said, "This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me." Both good and evil impulses come from our hearts. Which one has the upper hand depends on how well a person has taken on the mind and heart of God. How well we live our faith is determined by the same. As Pope Francis tells us, Jesus is present in all of our brothers and sisters, especially those who endure suffering like his own. Our world is full of tragedy, conflict, and suffering: slave labor, diseases, wars, terrorism, exploitation, famine, human trafficking. We cannot simply pay lip service to the evils of the world ? we must act!



The Parish office will be closed on Monday, September 3, 2018. Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m.

SINGERS WANTED!

St. Thomas More is looking for more liturgical singers! We practice Tuesday evenings from 7-9 PM in the rehearsal room beginning September 4. Please contact Jane with any questions at janebrown324@gmail.com

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

The St. Thomas More Men's Fellowship will meet on Saturday, September 8 from 9-10 AM in the Thomas More Room. Men of all ages are welcome. Please consider joining us for a lively discussion of the readings for the coming weekend masses and an opportunity to discuss how to live out these scriptures as Catholic men in our families and daily activities.

ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

Training for new altar servers will begin September. Adults, and children who have made their First Communion are eligible. Please provide the names and phone numbers of candidates to the parish office, or Deacon Mike McCoy at mmccoy@archbalt.org.



CLASSES BEGIN September 9, 2018
9:30 -11:45 am.
Thank You!

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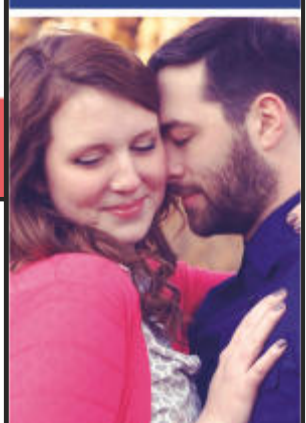
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