

## Saint Thomas More Parish

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## 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in the their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me." - Mk 9:35b-37a

Excerpts from The Lectionary for Mass (1989), 1995, 1999 CCC.

### 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.



### 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!**



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,

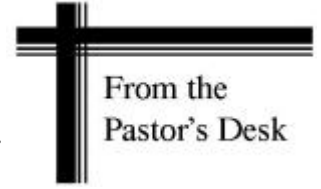
Coordinator of Religious Education

Ms. Maria A. Boling, Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Mrs. Carole Small-Charles, Receptionist

Dear Parishioners,

Jesus said to Nicodemus: “No one has gone up to heaven except the one who has come down from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.”  
 John 3:13-17



Jesus carried His cross for us. He was nailed to the cross for us. He died for us.

In life, we all have crosses to carry. Poor health, the death of our family and friends, financial difficulties, broken relationships, are some of the crosses we carry.

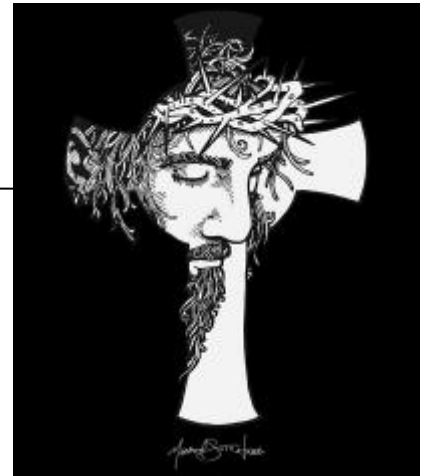
These crosses can become very heavy. They can cause us suffering and pain.

St. Catherine of Siena, a Doctor of the Church, said: “I want you to believe that God does not burden us with more than we can carry. God’ giving is indeed well measured, because He is our God who wants nothing else but that we be made holy.”

Crosses help us to draw closer to Jesus. Jesus carried His cross for us. Let us carry our cross for Him.

In Christ,

*Rev. Msgr. James Turner*




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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, Sr. Isabel Marie Haughey, OSF (Sr. Kathleen’s sister), David Brown, Howard Baldwin, Terry Doyle, Jim Gay, Ana Trujillo, Claire Pistorio and Jean McCubbin.

Prayer Requests 

**Readings for Sept. 30, 2018**

Nm 11:25-29  
 Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]  
 Jas 5:1-6  
 Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

 **MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>09/24</b>	
8:30 a.m. Mass		<b>James &amp; Barbara Depew</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>09/25</b>	
8:30 a.m. Mass		<b>Elizabeth Strahorn</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>09/26</b>	
8:30 a.m. Mass		<b>Marianna Miller Childs</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>09/27</b>	
8:30 a.m. Mass		<b>James W. Green</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>09/28</b>	
8:30 a.m. Mass		<b>William &amp; Doris Simpson</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>09/29</b>	
4:30 p.m. Mass		<b>For the Parishioners</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>09/30</b>	
8:30 a.m. Mass		<b>Ruth Pearl</b>
11:00 a.m. Mass		<b>Marianna Miller Childs</b>

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

Humility is really a virtue that allows us to keep our relationships in proper order: God first, others second, and myself third. However, we all wrestle with our incompleteness, weakness, and imperfections. Passions and impulses from within can color how we view our lives and distort them. Who among us does not struggle with jealousy, envy, pride, and lust? Then, when we can't have what we desire, we find ourselves angry, greedy, and taking more than we deserve. The downward spiral continues. Even Jesus' disciples, who knew him better than most, argued about who was the greatest. Humbly seeking the wisdom that comes from God and His righteousness is the corrective we need in order to keep ourselves in check.

**“JESUS”**

Only a few seats remain. Please sign up in the gathering space and drop off your deposit for our trip to Sight & Sound in PA on November 27, 2018. Remember, in order to have your seat, we need your deposit. Let us fill the bus! **SIGN-UP NOW!**

**Balance is due before November 1, 2018.**

**Volunteers needed for  
Perring Parkway Genesis Nursing Home**

Life-giving ministry! Two Mondays each month. Just in case you didn't know.....St. Thomas More parish has a group of volunteers who go to the nursing home to pray with residents and administer Holy Communion.

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

Please prayerfully consider giving up an hour or so two twice a month to spread the GOOD NEWS. The people you meet will enrich your life more than you know. Please call Maria at 410-444-6500 or Sr. Kathleen at 443-813-2931.



Classes are from 9:30 -11:45 am. Sunday. Please **ARRIVE ON TIME** to drop off your child(ren) and to pick-up your child(ren).

**FLU CLINIC**

September 30, 2018

8 a.m.—12 noon

In the Thomas More Room



**BLESSING, BARGAINS & BAKED GOODS**

Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart 1001 W. Joppa Road—Saturday, October 6, 2018, 9:30—1:30 p.m. Blessing of the Animals (11-12n), Bargain Shopping, Baked Goods, Food Court, Clowns & Live Music. Food Drive benefiting the Assistance Center of Towson Churches—please bring non-perishable food and/or toiletries. For more information call 410-823-8585 x 247.

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