


Saint Thomas More Parish

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2nd Sunday
OF LENT

While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. - Lk 9:29

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Rev. Msgr. James P. Farmer, Pastor
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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!

Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

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

Please see the weekday schedule inside this bulletin.



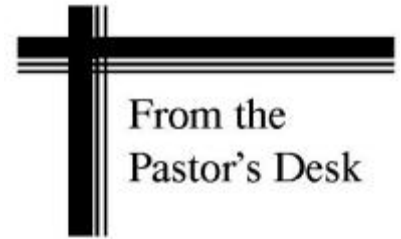
Confessions - Saturday from 3:45 - 4:15 p.m. or by appointment.



Dear Parishioners,

The Peace of the Lord be with you!

“So submit yourselves to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw you near. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you of two minds. Humble yourselves before the Lord and he will exalt you.” James 4:7-8,10



Sometimes we joke about the devil. It is no laughing matter. The devil is real, and he is actively seeking our destruction.

On the First Sunday of Lent we read the temptations of Jesus by the devil. Three times Jesus was tempted, and three times Jesus resisted the devil's temptations.

Jesus provides an example for all of us. On all three occasions Jesus quoted scripture to resist the devil. Reading the bible gives us wisdom and strengthens us.

We can resist all temptations by turning to Jesus and turning away from the devil. God's grace is stronger than the devil's assaults.

“Be sober and vigilant. Your opponent the devil is prowling like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in faith, knowing that your fellow believers throughout the world undergo the same suffering.” 1Peter 5:8-9a

In Christ,



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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, Betty Burns (Joyce McCoy's sister), Baby Kaiden, Sr. Isabel Marie Haughey, OSF (Sr. Kathleen's sister), David Brown, Terry Doyle, Jim Gay, Claire Pistorio, Ellie Wright, Clare Doyle, Buck Baker, Angie Gauss, Charlie Bailey, Queenetta Akwari and Baby Tobenna Akwari (Lauretta Ibe's sister and Great-nephew), Gail Kreller, Claire Turberville (from the Children's Guild), Joe Nowak (Denny's son), Jerome Kersch, Ellen Adajian, Dennis Ceisla and Sally May.

Prayer Requests

How can you support the work at Saint Thomas More?



You can . . . create a legacy, honor with a tribute gift, add a codicil to your will. There are many ways. Please call the church office if you have any questions, need any answers or just need some help. - Thank You

Readings for
March 24, 2019

Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15
Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 [8a]
1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12
Lk 13:1-9



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday 03/18
 8:30 a.m. Mass Josephine Farmer

Tuesday 03/19
 8:30 a.m. Mass Joseph Pouk

Wednesday 03/20
 8:30 a.m. Mass Joyce Reed

Thursday 03/21
 8:30 a.m. Mass **In honor of Mike McCoy's
 37th Anniversary of his Ordination**

Friday 03/22
 8:30 a.m. Mass **Frank Ciesla**

Saturday 03/23
 4:30 p.m. Mass **Charles E. Sigler, Sr.**

Sunday 03/24
 8:30 a.m. Mass **Tom Rahll**
 11:00 a.m. Mass **For the Parishioners**

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

Our minds are often preoccupied with the things of this world, and we forget about the things of heaven. We live our lives as if what we see before us is all there is and almost place the truth of eternity on hold until it is absolutely necessary to confront it. We fail to see the connection between earth and heaven and to see the road of transformation we are all called to travel. When Jesus was transfigured before his disciples, they saw the truth of who he was. Earth and heaven were wed that day, just as they will one day come together for us. God desires to transfigure us as well, changing our earthly body into our heavenly one. We miss our true destiny if we don't factor this into the choices we make and the paths we choose to walk.



LENT is here.....
 Please CONSIDER donating MONTHLY to the FRANCISCAN CENTER and/or BEANS & BREAD ministries during Lent this year. (see insert)
 The rewards are GREAT!

The Solemnity of St. Joseph

On March 19th, we celebrate the holiness in the midst of unpredictable fatherhood. We first meet Joseph when he discovers his betrothed is pregnant ? and not by him! St. Joseph does not know who the father is (yet), but he knows the punishment for adultery is death. He decides to divorce Mary quietly, and thus save her life. When an angel appears to reveal that Mary is pregnant by the Holy Spirit, St. Joseph trusts his dream and marries her. As a new foster father, Joseph must help his wife give birth in a stable. Later, he needs to escape the threats to his son's life by immigrating with his family to a foreign land. We know that St. Joseph is faithful, brave, and willing to sacrifice for those he loves. On the solemnity of St. Joseph, we don't merely celebrate a carpenter. We celebrate a hero!

STATIONS of the CROSS
Friday, March 15, 2019
3:00 p.m.
Please join us!

PARISH DINNER
May 19, 2019
1:00 to 4:30 p.m.

We will be collecting donations of gift cards, gift certificates to you favorite restaurant, wine, etc. You may leave your donation at the table where you purchase your Dinner tickets.
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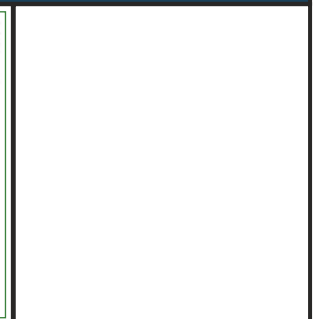
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