

Saint Thomas More Parish

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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!



21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

[Jesus] answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough." - Lk 13:24

Mass Schedule



Saturday 4:30 p.m.

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

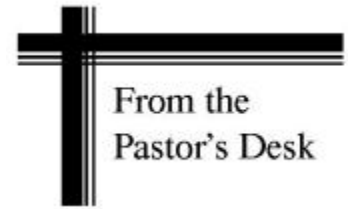
Please see the weekday Schedule inside this bulletin.

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

Dear Parishioners,

The Peace of the Lord be with you!

“What profit is there for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul?” Mark8:36



This is a question that requires serious consideration. It makes us reflect upon our earthly life and to consider eternal life.

We do not take our earthly possessions with us when we die. They remain on earth. We hope to go to the heaven.

The problem is that our possessions can possess us. They can control us. We fear their loss.

People have tax shelters, bank accounts, stocks, bonds, and investments. These matters are acceptable as long as they do not give us a sense of false security. There is no earthly security.

Only God provides security. This is true in the matters on earth and it is true in the eternal perspective.

Let us be sure that our earthly pursuits do not threaten our eternal pursuit.

Earthly life is short. Heaven is forever.

In Christ,

Offertory Giving



August 18, 2019

Due to vacation schedules, your offertory giving will be listed in Next week's bulletin.

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Readings for September 1, 2019

Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29

Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11 [cf. 11b]

Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a

Lk 14:1, 7-14

The altar flowers were donated in honor of **Audrey Drimal & Laura Woods' birthdays** by Mary Woods



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 : Rev. John Haughey, S.J.(Sr. Kathleen's sister & brother), David Brown, Terry Doyle, Jim Gay, Claire Pistorio, Ellie Wright, Clare Doyle, Angie Gauss, Charlie Bailey, Queenette Akwari and Baby Tobenna Akwari (Lauretta Ibe's sister and Great-nephew), Joe Nowak (Denny's son), Jerome Kersch, Ellen Adajian, Hugo Quiej (Ana's brother-in-law), Rita Petrucci, Lauretta & Aloysius Ibe & Family, Lois Seegal, Lydia Bobes, Colleen Wolfe, Carolyn Budny, Michelle Phillip (Denny's granddaughter), Jamie Long, Susie Boch (Susan Keating's mother), Larry Glose, Michael Charles (Keith's brother) and Jose Trujillo (Ana's husband).



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday 08/26
8:30 a.m. Mass **Lionel Shiyghan-Ntani**

Tuesday 08/27
8:30 a.m. Mass **The intentions of the Briones Family**

Wednesday 08/28
8:30 a.m. Mass **James P. Farmer, Sr.**

Thursday 08/29
8:30 a.m. Mass **The intentions of the Klein Family**

Friday 08/30
8:30 a.m. Mass **Gerald Meaden**

Saturday 08/31
4:30 p.m. Mass **Charles "Buck" Baker**

Sunday 09/01
8:30 a.m. Mass **For the Parishioners**
11:00 a.m. Mass **John Gelhaus**

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Developing healthy relationships with others requires discipline. This is also true of our relationship with God. As Christians, we are called to be like Christ. This does not just happen randomly or when it is convenient for us. It happens when we spend time with Christ every day and strive to be and think like him. This is no small task. It entails a willingness to see things, people, and God differently. Abandoning our self-focused needs and desires and putting on Christ is a challenging discipline to follow. However, if we choose to enter through the narrow gate of discipleship, we will find peace, live virtuous lives, and understand what it means to be saved. Resting and being cradled in God's lap and enjoying His presence is where we really desire to be, even though we have to give up some things in order to do so.



The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 2, 2019

Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m. Please join us!

**Asking for the grace . . . to want the grace
Maybe the best way to focus on the goal in this life . . . is preparing for the next life.
Please remember Saint Thomas More in your will.
Thank You**



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