

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!



22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Do not recline at table in the place of honor. A more distinguished guest than you may have been invited.” - Lk 14:8bc

Mass Schedule



Saturday 4:30 p.m.

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

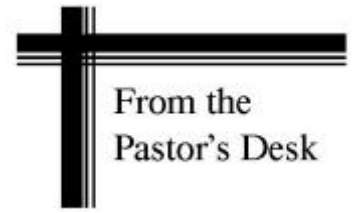
Please see the weekday Schedule inside this bulletin.

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

Dear Parishioners,

The Peace of the Lord be with you!

“Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day. Six days you may labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord, your God. No work may be done then either by you, or your son or daughter or your male or female slave, or your beast, or by the alien who lives with you. In six days the Lord made the heavens and earth, the sea and all that is in them; but on the seventh day he rested. That is why the Lord has blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.” Exodus 20:8-11



Sunday is the day dedicated to the Lord. It is His day. As a society, we have lost the sense of sacredness that Sunday deserves.

Stores were closed on Sunday. Now, everything is open on Sunday. Banks, shopping centers, garages; barber shops and race tracks do business on Sunday.

This forces people to work on Sunday. Unfortunately, Sunday is the day of the week when retail sales are the highest.

Why is this so? As a society, we have lost the sense of sacredness.

Sunday is the Lord's Day. Sunday belongs to Gods. It is not the day for shopping. When we shop in Sunday, we force other people to work. Sunday is holy.

If we did not shop on Sunday, the stores would close. They would lose money.

We need a day to pray and to rest. Sunday is our Sabbath day. After Mass, we should visit our family and relax, not work.

Let us strive to restore Sunday to the sense of sacredness which God intended.

In Christ,

Offertory Giving



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| | August 18, 2019 |
| Offertory | \$2199.00 |
| Loose | \$ 515.00 |
| | August 25, 2019 |
| Offertory | \$2968.10 |
| Loose | \$ 306.24 |

Thank you for your continued generosity!

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




Prayer Requests

Please pray for our Parishioners and Friends, especially: Rita Connor, Betty Burns (Joyce McCoy's sister), Sr. Isabel Marie Haughey, OSF : Rev. John Haughey, S.J.(Sr. Kathleen's sister & brother), 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), 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).

Readings for September 8, 2019

Wis 9:13-18b
Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17 [1]
Phlm 9-10, 12-17
Lk 14:25-33

|  MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK | |
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| Monday 09/02 | LABOR DAY |
| 8:30 a.m. Mass | For the Parishioners |
| Tuesday 09/03 | |
| 8:30 a.m. Mass | Catherine Bittner |
| Wednesday 09/04 | |
| 8:30 a.m. Mass | Joseph V. Gugliuzzo |
| Thursday 09/05 | |
| 8:30 a.m. Mass | Lionel Shiyghan-Ntani |
| Friday 09/06 | |
| 8:30 a.m. Mass | Barbara Ellen Melvich |
| Saturday 09/07 | |
| 4:30 p.m. Mass | Theresa Rupinski |
| Sunday 09/08 | |
| 8:30 a.m. Mass | Fran Meek |
| 11:00 a.m. Mass | For the Parishioners |

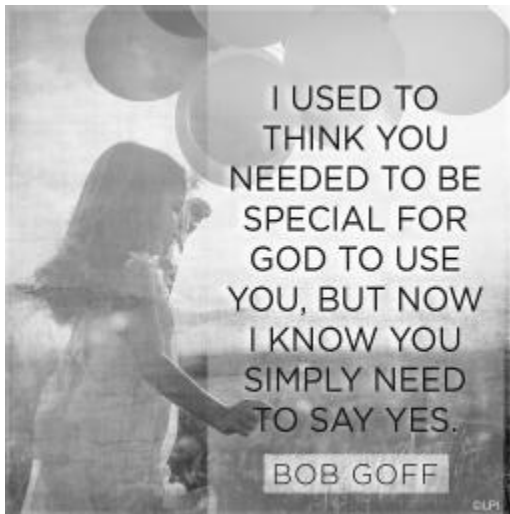
**LIVE THE LITURGY -
INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK**

Humility is often misunderstood as feeling inferior about ourselves and carrying around feelings of unworthiness. For many, humility is not considered a strength of character but a negative attribute and sign of weakness. Conversely, in fact, authentic humility is found in the person who is firmly grounded in reality, able to be honest with him or herself, and in right relationship with others and God. A humble person understands his or her place in life and who they are. While placing themselves at the service of others, they are comfortable in their own skin and able to step aside and let others go first. Knowing our proper place in life, offering appropriate respect, and looking to the needs of others are things that will enhance our lives and the lives of our brothers and sisters. Are you humble?



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

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



STM SINGERS!!!

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9th Archdiocesan Filipino Fiesta
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The Filipino Council invites everyone on **Sunday, September 22, 2019** at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen, 5200 N. Charles St., Baltimore, MD 21210.

A Concelebrated Mass will be presided by the Most Reverend William E. Lori at **2:00 PM** followed by Fiesta Reception at the Cathedral Plaza.

Phil-Am Organizations are encouraged to set up their tents for food and reception. A Triduum – a Three Day of Prayers and Reflection, will take place at the Cathedral on September 17, 18, and 19 after the 5:30 pm Mass to reflect on the 2019 Theme: Missionary Discipleship: Rekindling God's Gifts. Come, pray, and celebrate as one people to rekindle God's gifts and manifest our solidarity with God's call to discipleship. Please contact Fr. Pete Literal - literalpd@sjehydes.org. More information can be found online: filipino-council-aob.org.

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