

Saint Thomas More Parish

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ONGOING ACTIVITIES

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

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

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

Religious Education

— **Grades K-12** classes are held on Saturdays from Sept-May 3:00 to 4:15 p.m. ONLINE!

— **Why Catholics (for Adults)** Sundays from 8:30 to 9:45 a.m.

Rosary Group—after the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass.

PLEASE JOIN US!



16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. - Mk 6:34

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“NEW” Mass Schedule



**WE ARE OPEN FOR
INDOOR MASS**

FACE MASK IS REQUIRED

**Saturday at 4:30 p.m. and
Sunday at 10:00 a.m.**

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

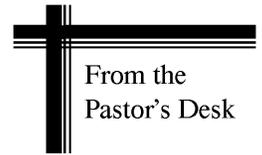
Mrs. Ana R. Trujillo, Coordinator of Religious Education

Ms. Maria A. Boling, Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Mrs. Carole Small-Charles, Receptionist

Dear Parishioners,

The Peace of the Lord be with you!



“Beloved, rejoice in the measure that you share Christ’s sufferings. When His glory is revealed, you will rejoice exultantly. Happy are you when you are insulted for the sake of Christ, for then God’s Spirit in its glory has come to rest on you.” 1Peter 4:13-14

Each person has a certain amount of suffering in his or her life. Suffering takes many forms. It can be physical, emotional or spiritual. Our health problems can be very difficult. Family problems, loss of employment, broken relationships can cause us tremendous stress. The death of our loved ones is a very painful experience.

There is a very important question to ask. Does defending our Catholic faith cause us suffering? The martyrs are an example of saints who suffered for Jesus.

Are we willing to suffer for our Jesus? Our Catholic faith is under attack at the present time. How do we respond?

What do we do with our suffering? We can choose to draw closer to Jesus, or we can become angry with Jesus.

Look at the crucifix. We can offer all of our suffering to Jesus. He suffered a horrible agony and death for us.

Let us thank Jesus by offering our suffering to Him.

In Christ

July 11, 2021



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PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for our Parishioners and Friends, especially: Bill Kahler, Dolores Kelly, David Brown, Wayne Riesner (Suzanne LaVoie’s brother), Carol Gay, Gloria Gay and Karen Miller (Mike & Joyce McCoy’s niece).

FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Sign-up sheets are in the Gathering Space!



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AT OUR PARISH

Readings for July 25, 2021
2 Kgs 4:42-44
Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 16]
Eph 4:1-6
Jn 6:1-15



We Pray in Faith that all who have died; especially Sandra Johnson (Bob Johnson’s daughter), may be welcomed into the peace of God’s Kingdom.



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 07/19
8:30 a.m. Mass Lorraine Poist
Tuesday 07/20
8:30 a.m. Mass Fr. John L. Kelly, Jr.
Wednesday 07/21
8:30 a.m. Mass J. David Hester
Thursday 07/22
8:30 a.m. Mass Fran Meek
Friday 07/23
8:30 a.m. Mass Rita Petrucci
Saturday 07/24
4:30 p.m. Mass For the Parishioners
Sunday 07/25
10:00 a.m. Mass Harold Pearl



REGISTRATION is being held on

July 25 and August 8, 22, 29 after the 10:00 a.m. Mass in the Gathering Space! Please register NOW!

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

We only have so much psychological and spiritual energy. We easily get tired. Responding to life's demands and people's needs can really zap us of all of our energy. Anger, frustration, exhaustion, discouragement, helplessness, and even apathy can run wild. We can find ourselves bitter and irritated by the fact that we have to do it all again. We need to rest, connect, and focus. Deserted places, free of unnecessary distractions and demands, are great places of refreshment and we all need them. Desiring to be alone for a bit and rest does not indicate selfishness. Rather, it radiates wisdom. God is the source of all we do and the satisfaction of every human heart. If we are going to use the gifts God gave us well, then we have to make sure our batteries are recharged and replenished. Jesus invites us to go to a desert place to rest and pray. Where is yours? ©LPi



**God is FULL of MIRACLES,
 I am Thankful to God for....**

As a young girl, in Africa, in January 1972, the results of my class exams were announced. I had passed and was accepted to high school.

The problem--- my parents had no money to take me to high school. My father was resigned to the fact that as a girl, I should just be happy with my primary education. As they put it in those days, "a girl's place is in the kitchen." My mother, on the other hand, was determined that I should go to school. She sold a cow and some farm produce to have me report to school.

In February, I reported to school. It was a struggle for the next four years, as I was in and out due to lack of fees.

The most memorable year was my fourth year. I had to be sent home for money I owed the school. That meant that I could not sit for my final examination without clearing the fees card, and paying the Exam fee. I cried day and night for I loved school, and was a good student, and passing my subjects well.

Just as my world was coming to an end, a priest who was my teacher for two years, and who I occasionally helped, heard of my predicament. Oh My God, he sought help from his parish community, and they contributed and paid all that I owed school and the Exam fee. I did my Exam very well and was admitted to go to higher education, which lead to university. However, I chose to join a trade college. That choice would assist me and my siblings. My uncle came through for me and paid the fees for a two year course.

I passed and was employed in one of my country's universities. I thank God for this, and from my work, I was able to pay fees for my siblings, Now, when I see them happy in their own careers, what else could I have done?

**I JUST THANK GOD,
 FOR IT IS ALL HIS DOING!!!!
 VICTORIA MWATHI**

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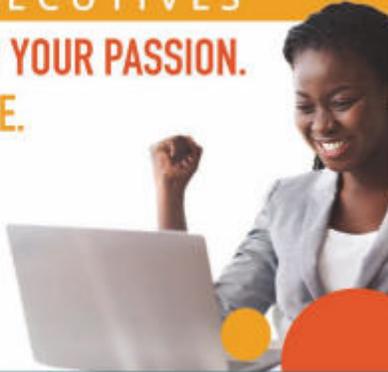
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