St. Thomas More

Catholic Parish & School The Most Holy Trinity | June 12, 2022

pastor's note



The Solemnity of the Holy Trinity is our entrance from the Easter Season to the major part of our yearly liturgical experience. This present season will take us to Sunday, November 27, when we will begin the season of Advent. And it begins with what has always been called a mystery of our faith. How one God can in fact consist of three distinct persons is in no way a simple truth. It nonetheless is good for us to reflect upon for several reasons.

The one that I would ask you to spend time with this week has to do with two factors. The first is the understanding that we are all made in the image and likeness of God. That signifies that our very nature is in no small way a reflection of the God who created us. And if that God is a God in constant relationship—the Father with the Son, the Son with the Father and both with the Holy Spirit, then it bears reason that we are all meant to live our lives in constant, perpetual, loving and live-giving relational experience. Us with our God and with one another. And our relationships with one another should be a loving, selfless and intense expression of our love for God.

This explains why we are called to be mindful of those who fill our lives. We are to witness our awareness of God in our lives to them. And we

are to look for the face of God in them as best we can. Thus we go to confession with such sins as unforgiveness, gossiping about and to others, not praying for family and friends and so forth. These actions are not worthy of the image of a God who loves us infinitely.

Next weekend we will celebrate the yearly Solemnity of Corpus Christi, the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. The Lord's gift to us of being present in the Blessed Sacrament and giving us the ability to receive Him, Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity, when we come to Communion. As we have in past years, besides the celebrations at the Sunday Masses, there will be a special Corpus Christi procession with the Blessed Sacrament following the Sunday evening Mass. We will process around the parish grounds, stopping to pray and bless the overview of the metro area, the school, our youth center and the parish as a whole. The event will culminate with an ice cream social on the patio outside the Padre. Plan now to come and join in the festive prayerful experience and invite family and friends too.

Next weekend will also be my final weekend as your pastor celebrating at the parish Masses. I will say more about my gratitude and appreciation to God for bringing me into the midst of this wonderful parish family in the coming bulletins. But I know that the emotion and experience of the moment may make my words and expression less than adequate in many ways next Sunday. So I want to say now, thank you to one and all for your faith that you have lived and shown to me over these years. Thanks for your prayers and support for me and all the priests and deacons as we have endeavored to serve you. And thanks be to God for giving us the grace to share our faith journey over the course of these last eight years. I am truly blessed by that grace.

As I and other priests prepare for a change in our setting and assignment in the coming weeks, I would encourage you to keep the priests in your prayers. I have said many times over the years, we priests pray for you daily. At the same time we count on your prayers for us to be good shepherds, faithful witnesses and wise and holy leaders within our faith communities. Be sure you are praying now for Fr. Randy Dollins and Fr. Chris Marbury who will be coming into this faith family in just a couple weeks. May the blessings of Almighty God fill them and enable them to carry out the call they receive in your midst.

– Msgr. Tom



a reflection on today's readings

Grow as a Disciple

Go Evangelize

St. Paul gives us four words to live by, "Hope does not disappoint." Today, as we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, we are reminded of the source of our hope—God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit described by Pope Francis as "a communion of love." As St. Paul writes, "the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us." This doesn't mean our lives won't be without difficulties, but St. Paul is assuring us that we do not face them alone. As Jesus tells the disciples in today's Gospel, "when He comes, the Spirit of truth, He will guide you to all truth." As we move into our week and whatever the near future holds, we can rest assured the Holy Spirit will guide us and strengthen us. gratitude and excitement for what lies ahead for him. As is the case for many students, his path to a degree was not straight (nor was it paved with straight A's). Yet here he was, receiving his degree and planning to start a job in a field he loves just two days later. The worries I felt during his high school and early college days dissipated, replaced with a sense of gratitude and hope. This experience and others like it remind me to bring my worries and concerns to prayer, knowing that Jesus walks beside me and those I love. We can witness to our faith by offering to pray for others facing uncertainties and challenges, and by sharing how we have experienced "peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Pray

Pray the Sign of the Cross, reflecting on the love of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. How have we experienced that love and how can we share it?

– Written by The Faithful Disciple



Welcome to St. Thomas More! Go and make disciples

Clergy

Pastor: Msgr. Thomas Fryar Parochial Vicars: Rev. Matt Hartley, Rev. Rohan Miranda, O.C.D., Rev. Ivan Monteiro, O.C.D. Deacons: Dcn. Tim Hathaway, Dcn. George Morin,

It's graduation season! When my oldest son received his college diploma last weekend, I felt overwhelmed with

Dcn. Alan Rastrelli, M.D., Dcn. David Simonton, Dcn. Steve Stemper, Dcn. George Brown (retired), Dcn. Bob Cropp (retired), Dcn. Tim Walsh (retired)

Parish Office

303.770.1155 | Hours: Monday-Friday: 8:00AM-5:00PM

Sunday Masses: Saturday (Anticipatory): 4:00 & 5:30PM Sunday: 7:00, 8:30 & 10:30AM (incense; live-streamed), 12:30PM, 5:30PM

Daily Masses: Monday-Friday: 6:30 & 9:00AM. Saturday: 7:30AM

Confessions: Monday–Friday: 8:00AM, Thursday: 6:30PM, Saturday: 8:30AM

Holy Hour for Vocations: Thursday: 6:30-7:30PM

Perpetual Adoration: 24-hour Eucharistic Adoration in the Adoration Chapel. Contact: adoration@stthomasmore.org.

Sacrament of Baptism: For baptisms, contact Sandra Schwab at sandras@stthomasmore.org no less than one month prior to the baptism ceremony. Visit stthomasmore.org for more information.

Sacrament of Matrimony: For weddings, contact Melanie Lauer at melaniel@stthomasmore.org no less than eight months prior to the wedding for marriage preparation information.

Sacrament of the Sick: Contact the parish office at onset of illness. In case of death in the family, contact the parish office immediately at 303.770.1155.

For sacramental emergencies when the parish office is closed, call 303.370.0242.

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prayer



This Week's Mass Intentions

Sunday, June 12:

The Most Holy Trinity 7:00AM Connie Sirokman † 8:30AM Teresa Mannix † 10:30AM Mass for the People of St. Thomas More 12:30PM Teresa Mannix †

5:30PM Annie Sirokman †

Monday, June 13: 6:30AM Toni Hagen † 9:00AM Dcn. George Brown

Tuesday, June 14: 6:30AM Donald J. Trump 9:00AM Adam Lopez

Wednesday, June 15: 6:30AM Ellie Lum Lung 9:00AM Alex MacNeil

Thursday, June 16:

6:30AM Manuel J. Novoa II † 9:30AM Lt. Col. Howard & Clara Hayes † Friday, June 17:

6:30AM Margaret Silk † 9:00AM Charles H. Harris †

Saturday, June 18: 7:30AM Sheryl Perri † 4:00PM Patty Winter 5:30PM Marbella Trujillo

Sunday, June 19: Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ 7:00AM Father's Day Novena 8:30AM Alvina & Charles

Crouse and Family 10:30AM Mass for the People of St. Thomas More

12:30PM Andrew Gaasch 5:30PM Charles & Denise Jeske †

This Week's Prayer Intentions

Pray for our ill parish members & relatives: Diana Cantu, Barbara Drozdowski, Peggy Holinger, Kalin Lopez, Colleen Lum Lung and Helene Sherman

Pray for our deceased parish members & relatives: Antonio Bullon, Terry Lee, Dr. Clyde Smith and Dr. Elwin Albert Smith

Due to the Privacy Act, only immediate family members may request a name to be placed on the prayer list. Please call 303.770.1155.

Incense at Mass



Please note that incense will be used at the following Masses, Saturday 5:30PM; Sunday 10:30AM and 5:30PM on each of the following weekends:

Corpus Christi: Saturday & Sunday, June 18 & 19

For alternate seating, please see an usher.

World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests



Friday, June 24:

5:30PM at the Cathedral Basilica of the Immaculate Conception

Mass will be celebrated by Very Rev. Angel Perez-Lopez, Vicar for Clergy, on the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus for the sanctification of priests.

Questions of the Week



Adult: In what difficult situation has the Holy Spirit helped you see more clearly?

Child: What kind of decision can the Holy Spirit help you with?

Corpus Christi Sunday

We invite you to this special event!



Sunday, June 19:

All are invited to two events in honor of Monsignor Tom as we say farewell.

10:30AM Mass and Reception 5:30PM Mass, Corpus Christi Procession and Reception

Both receptions will be in McCallin Hall.

If you have any questions, please contact Shannon Hooper at shannonh@ stthomasmore.org or 303.221.9249.



For prayer requests, please visit our website or use our parish app.



Daily readings available on our website & parish app.

faith



Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia



Mondays, June 20–August 8: 6:30–7:30PM in St. Peregrine Hall II

Alzheimer's disease is not a normal part of aging. Join us for this seven-week program to learn about the impact of Alzheimer's.

To register, scan the QR code. For questions, contact Deb Wells at dwells@alz.org or 720.699.9278.



Tuesdays, June 21: 7:00–9:00рм in McCallin Hall I (Ten-week series)

Faith & Finances

All are welcome to join us for this new comprehensive Catholic finance program and learn how these lifechanging strategies can benefit you.

To register, scan the QR code. **Registration is open through Tuesday, 14.** There will be a \$20 fee for registration and materials.

Apologetics for Engaging in Pro Life Conversations

Learn of different ways to engage in pro life discussions. **Thursday, June 23:** 7:00–9:00PM in McCallin Hall I

Adults and students are invited to learn from pro life apologist, Lauren Castillo, from Students for Life. We will learn how to engage in conversations defending the sanctity of life.

Contact Melissa Ogburn at faithfulcitizenship@stthomasmore.org with any questions or join the Faithful Citizenship Flocknote group to stay on top of the latest conversation at stmco. flocknote.com or text STMCO to 84576.

Father's Day Novena Cards



Father's Day Novena cards and donation envelopes are available at all church entrances.

To have your loved ones remembered at all Novena Masses that begin on Father's Day, please return your Spiritual Bouquet donation envelope by noon on **Thursday, June 16**, by mail, collection basket or parish office.

Curious about Becoming Catholic?

Sunday, June 26: 11:30AM–1:30PM in the parish rectory

Are you curious about Catholicism, thinking about becoming Catholic or possibly know someone who is interested? Come enjoy a barbecue with us at the rectory. We can meet, answer your questions and help you discern your next step along your faith journey.

Contact John Cox at 303.221.9244 or johnc@stthomasmore.org to answer any questions.

Perpetual Adoration



Spend time with Our Blessed Lord in our Adoration Chapel! Visit centennial. weadorehim.com to see our schedule and sign up to be a regular weekly, bi-weekly, monthly or substitute adorer.

Contact adoration@stthomasmore.org or call 303.220.3392 for questions.

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Poor Box

Help the poor and needy of our community. Donations from our two poor boxes are used to purchase King Soopers gift cards to be given to people who come to us with an immediate need for assistance.

How Will You Remember?

Make the most significant charitable gift of your lifetime.



Imagine a gift that keeps on giving. A donation of cash, stock, real estate or life insurance entrusted to our parish through The Catholic Foundation, can grow to provide support now and for generations to come.

For questions, please call The Catholic Foundation and speak with Deacon Steve Stemper, Lisa Kukura or Joshua Gideon at 303.468.9885. To learn more, visit the website at TheCatholicFoundation.com.

Stewardship – A Way of Life

"But when He comes, the Spirit of truth, He will guide you to all truth ... " - Jn 16:13

vocations

Traveling Chalice



Praying for vocations this week:

The Roy Family

Bringing home the chalice is a meaningful opportunity to enjoy a special week praying for priests and for an increase in vocations.



If you would like to bring the chalice into your home, just scan the QR code to see which weeks are available to sign up. For any questions, please contact Karen Smoody at karens@ stthomasmore.org or call 720.482.3594.

Honoring Our Clergy



"Now we ask you, brothers, to give recognition to those who labor among you and lead you in the Lord and admonish you." - 1 Thess. 5:12

Tuesday, June 14: Ordination Anniversary of

> Dcn. George Brown Dcn. Bob Cropp

We thank all our clergy for all they do for our parish and wish Dcn. George and Dcn. Bob a blessed anniversary!

time & talent



Vacation Bible School (VBS)



Monday–Friday, June 20–24: 9:00AM–12:00PM

Our Vacation Bible School classes are filling up and we have limited openings. Reserve your spot today by scanning the QR code. We hope you can join us as we celebrate God's greatness.

For questions, please contact Donna Engel at donnae@stthomasmore.org.

Volunteer Photographers



Do you enjoy photography of people and events? We are looking for volunteer photographers to capture the vibrant life of our parish.

If interested, contact Irene Lindemer at irenel@stthomasmore.org.

Denver Catholic Catechetical School

Journey through the Catechism of the Catholic Church this fall!



We are pleased to announce that the parish will host the much beloved Denver Catholic Catechetical School program on Wednesday mornings starting in September! Classes begin on Wednesday, September 14th.

Visit sjvlaydivision.org or call 303.715.3195 to learn more and to register.

Respect For All Life

"My own position is that the Catholic doctrine is illogical, not in accord with science and definitely against social welfare and race improvement."

Margaret Sanger, founder of Planned Parenthood

Volunteer for VBS



Monday–Friday, June 20–24: 8:30AM–12:30PM

Join the fun at VBS and be a part of our adult leadership team. Ages 18+ are welcome to take part in a variety of leadership opportunities.



If you are interested in helping us this summer, scan the QR code to see what we have available. If you should have any questions, please contact Donna Engel at donnae@stthomasmore.org.

Meet A MORE Minister

Meet PJ Martin who is part of the Sunday Mass greeter ministry and a member of the 7:00AM Sunday Mass team. She has been a greeter since the ministry began and the joy she brings to each parishioner is something to behold. PJ is not only a part of the greeter ministry but she also volunteers her time in other ministries at STM as well.



PJ commented that she thoroughly enjoys being a part of the 7:00AM Sunday Mass team as she gets enjoyment out of greeting parishioners, and it provides her with an opportunity to get to know the members of our community even better.

PJ feels the greeter ministry is wonderful for those who are delighted to meet new people. The greeter ministry is open to all individuals, couples and families. If you are interested in learning more about our greeter ministry, call Peggy Finan at 303.770.1155 or peggyf@stthomasmore.org.

Contact Irene Lindemer at irenel@stthomasmore.org with your ministry's *More* Ministers.



Learn about other announcements, giving opportunities, events and ministries at our parish by liking our "St. Thomas More Catholic Parish" page on Facebook!

youth: middle & high school



Breakaway–Summer Fun

All high school students are invited to come! **Wednesday, June 15:** 6:00–7:00PM Corn Toss! 7:00–9:00PM H.S. Youth Center



We welcome all incoming freshmen through graduating seniors for a night of games, snacks, faith and fellowship.

For questions, please contact Christina Hale at youth@stthomasmore.org.

Steubenville Meeting

Steubenville of the Rockies attendees and parent meeting. **Tuesday, June 21:** 6:00–7:30PM in the H.S. Youth Center



Steubenville of the Rockies 2022 is quickly approaching! Join us tonight for the parent and teen orientation meeting.

For questions, please contact Christina Hale at christinah@stthomasmore.org.

stm is hiring

Digital Media Coordinator

The ideal candidate will be a creative, energetic team player with outstanding communication, organizational and technical skills with a passion for the Catholic faith.

This is a full-time position. Individual will be responsible for videography and photography, website maintenance as well as managing and executing the online and social media communication for St. Thomas More.

Must be proficient in Adobe Creative Suite including Premier Pro, Photoshop, Adobe After Effects and Illustrator with strong expertise in WordPress. Send resume to Irene Lindemer at irenel@stthomasmore.org.

BYOT Campout after EchoFire

All middle schoolers and incoming sixth graders are invited!



Thursday, June 16:

6:00–8:00PM in the Catacombs 8:00–9:00PM bring your own tent (BYOT)

Come to EchoFire (with your tent, toiletries and pj's) and after EchoFire ends the campout begins. Let's eat smores, play games and have fun!

For questions, please contact Greg Johnson at gregj@stthomasmore.org.

Youth Ministry Beach Bash at Cherry Creek

All youth group, Breakaway and EchoFire, are welcome to come!

Wednesday, June 29: 4:00-8:00PM Reservoir East Side Beach

All incoming sixth graders through graduating seniors are welcome to join us for an afternoon of sun and fun!

Drop off and pick up is at the beach. Please bring snacks and drinks to share. There is a \$10 fee for park entrance.

For questions, contact Greg Johnson at gregj@stthomasmore.org.

Sports Camp Mission Trip

Share your time and talent this summer!



All incoming seventh and eighth grade youth are invited to attend a middle school mission trip. We will help lead a Bible Sports Camp in Winter Park for grades K-5.

Wednesday – Saturday, July 13–16:

Cost is \$200. Includes transportation, meals, lodging and Boondocks on the final day of the retreat.

Contact Greg Johnson with any questions at gregj@stthomasmore.org.

our parish school





Consider our excellent parish school for your child's education! To learn more about our school for preschool through eighth grade visit stmcatholic.org or call 303.770.0441 to schedule a personalized tour. Thank you!

social

Wine Tasting

Join us for a night out with friends or a date night!





Friday, June 17: 6:30PM in the Padre

Test how keen your senses are. Discover common aromas found in wine in a blind cup test and try to identify what you smell. It's harder than it sounds!

This is a free event but please register by scanning the QR code. For more information or questions, please contact Sandra Schwab at sandras@ stthomasmore.org or call 303.221.9235.

Bingo and Movie Night!

Saturday, June 25:

All are welcome to come for a family night!



Join us for a fun night of Bingo and a Movie! Drinks and treats will be provided and prizes will be awarded for Bingo winners. Bingo will start at 7:00PM and the movie will begin immediately after so bring your pillows, sleeping bags and lawn chairs.

7:00–10:00PM in McCallin Hall II



This is a free event but please RSVP by scanning the QR code so we can plan on you coming! Questions? Please contact Melanie Lauer at melanieL@ stthomasmore.org or 303.221.9234.

STM Catholic School is Hiring

Join our team of fabulous educators and learn how you can make a difference.



STM Catholic School is currently seeking qualified individuals to join our team for the upcoming 2022–2023 school year.

- Middle School Administrative: Full-time position that will work with both the Assistant Principal and middle school students. Requires a faith-filled, committed person that enjoys a busy pace.
- Teachers' Assistant Grades 2–3: Part-time position for a responsible, committed and faith-filled individual.

If interested, please contact Gretchen DeWolfe at gretchend@stthomasmore. org for more information.

STM Catholic Preschool is Hiring

We are seeking two dynamic and creative candidates.



STM Catholic Preschool is seeking two part-time Early Childhood teachers for the 2022–2023 school year.

The ideal candidate will be Early Childhood Teacher qualified by Colorado Department of Human Services and familiar with CDHS and Tri-County rules that govern the preschool.

Must be able to develop and implement daily instructional programs according to the needs of the students and established curriculum. In addition, the candidate(s) will remain current with 15 hours of continuing education per year.

If interested, please contact Mary Tellus at maryt@stthomasmore.org for more information.



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