

# St. Thomas More

## Catholic Parish & School

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ | June 19, 2022



Happy Father's Day!

# pastor's note



Over the years I have had some delightful and some difficult Pastor's Notes to write. The former includes times of welcoming and celebrating major feasts such as Easter and Christmas, welcoming people back after the limits of the pandemic and announcing and welcoming new priests and deacons to the staff of our parish family. The more challenging would include things like the pandemic and the limits and concerns it raised, acknowledging our need to be attentive to the plight of evil present in our world, manifest in things like mass shootings, racial injustice and its consequences in our country and abroad, and the importance of not losing hope or silencing our voice when our moral compass is seemingly being disregarded by governments and institutions.

That said, I know from past experience that writing my final reflections as I am preparing to leave a parish community carries with it a plethora of thoughts and emotions, both joyous and poignant. And so I offer you these thoughts and reflections as I come to my last weekend experience here at St. Thomas More.

First and foremost I give thanks to our God who has bestowed on me the grace and blessing of being a part of this faith family for over eight years now. The grace and goodness you have witnessed to me has made my

time here truly invaluable in both the carrying out of my priestly duties and the journey of faith that I myself am on with you. I cannot tell you the number of times I have been moved and grateful for the witness of God in action in the lives and activities of this wonderful community. You have a rich heritage of being a bright and inviting sign of the Lord to many, both near and far. Thank you for continuing that great tradition and for the role of you parents who have striven to pass it on to their children.

I am both humbled and deeply grateful for the men and women of our parish staff, both in the office and in the school, who daily come to carry out the work of the Lord in your name and for the good of the wider Church. They inspire me with their faithfulness, their compassion, their determination and their love for the good people of our parish. You are richly blessed in having these fine individuals daily responding to the invitation to be a proclamation of the Good News of our God.

I know that over these years I have had to make decisions, take positions and even carried out conversations that have not always been universally accepted or appreciated. I assure you all that I did not do anything capriciously. I pray that all I have and continue to do is a result of my sincere attempt to shepherd and teach in ways that best serve the Lord and His Gospel call. Regardless, I do need to say that for anything that may have callously or insensitively offended you or others, I am sincerely sorry. I ask your forgiveness. And I pray that the Lord of all mercy and compassion may make it possible to take away any hurt, offense or pain that would in any way impede your coming more fully into the presence of the God who loves you infinitely.

I do want to thank you for your constant and visible witness of faith and devotion. I am always moved by the number of our parish family who come to the Lord daily in the Masses and Adoration, who make wonderful use of the sacrament of Reconciliation and who are such good and faithful stewards of your time, your talent and your treasure. The painting of a life of faith well lived that you create can rival that of many of the great masters throughout history. I will forever be inspired by your witness and faithfulness.

As you have heard many times, I and your other priests pray for you daily. I have heard multiple times from various individuals how they remember me and the other priests in their daily prayers. We cannot thank you enough. But I do want to assure you that even after moving on, you will be very much in my heart and prayers. You have been a wonderful gift to me and my faith journey and I know that the Lord is not taking you away from being a part of my heart. As we say in the confessional: Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, His love is everlasting!



# pastor's note cont.

Finally, many have asked, "Where I am going? And will I come back occasionally?" First, I am not going far. I will be living at the Elijah House on the campus of our seminaries and the Pastoral Center for the Archdiocese of Denver. And since they are replacing me with two priests, and you will most likely have more than enough for Mass coverage, I will probably only be here for the occasional confession times but not other liturgical activities.

I will be available to help out at other parishes within the Archdiocese that don't have the blessing of so many priests, so pray for me as I will probably be on the road a fair amount in my coming years. Or pray for those on the road around me! I am most open to staying in touch, being invited for the occasional meal or other activity, and appreciate the ways you have made me feel at home here over the years. God bless you for that. If you wish to reach me my new address is as follows: 1300 S Steele St, Denver, CO 80210. My email address is msgr.fryar@archden.org.

I generally end my homilies with a simple prayer that I mean from the heart. I repeat it now as a concluding comment as I say "Fare thee well. And may God bless you always."

– Msgr. Tom

## St. Thomas More Feast Day



"Pray for me, as I will for thee, that we may merrily meet in Heaven."  
– St. Thomas More

Wednesday, June 22 is the feast day of our wonderful and inspiring parish patron saint, St. Thomas More!

## Happy Father's Day!



### A Father's Day Prayer

God our Father, we give thanks to You for the fathers and men in our lives. We ask for your blessings to be given to them, that they may be a father of love, as are You. Amen.

– Prayer by Liturgical Publications



## Welcome to St. Thomas More!

*Go and make disciples*

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### 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, 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 19:

The 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 †

### Monday, June 20:

6:30AM Father's Day Novena

9:00AM Jim & Nancy Landauer

### Tuesday, June 21:

6:30AM Bre Stemper

9:00AM Father's Day Novena

### Wednesday, June 22:

6:30AM Father's Day Novena

9:00AM Mike Smoody

### Thursday, June 23:

6:30AM Alvin Eckels †

9:00AM Father's Day Novena

### Friday, June 24:

6:30AM Chris & Lauren Accolla

9:00AM Father's Day Novena

### Saturday, June 25:

7:30AM Father's Day Novena

4:00PM Anthony & Melissa Ojile

5:30PM Bill Doyle †

### Sunday, June 26:

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00AM Charles H. Harris †

8:30AM Tyler Patten & Family

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

12:30PM Ray Woods †

5:30PM Father's Day Novena

## This Week's Prayer Intentions

### Pray for our ill parish members & relatives:

Jennifer Bredehoeft, Diana Cantu, Yolanda Chisholm, Barbara Drozdowski, Peggy Holinger, Kalin Lopez, Colleen Lum Lung, Bambi Lyons and Kenton Mueller

### Pray for our deceased parish members & relatives:

Antonio Bullon, Terry Lee 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.

## 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.

## Corpus Christi Sunday, June 19

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

10:30AM Mass

Reception following in McCallin Hall

5:30PM Mass

Corpus Christi Procession  
followed by an Ice Cream Social  
on the Padre Plaza.



# faith



## Faith & Finances



**Tuesdays, starting on June 21:**  
7:00–9:00PM in McCallin Hall I  
(Ten-week series)

All are welcome to join us for this new comprehensive Catholic finance program. To register, scan the QR code.

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](mailto:faithfulcitizenship@stthomasmore.org) with any questions. Join the Faithful Citizenship Flocknote group to stay on top of the latest conversation at [stmco.flocknote.com](http://stmco.flocknote.com) or text STMCO to 84576.

## Curious about Becoming Catholic?



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

Are you curious about Catholicism? Come enjoy a barbecue with us at the rectory where we can meet and help you discern your next step along your faith journey. Contact John Cox at 303.221.9244 or [johncox@stthomasmore.org](mailto:johncox@stthomasmore.org) to answer any questions.

## STM Fabulous Fun Festival

**Friday, July 1**

5:00PM Mass in the Church

6:00PM Dinner & Games  
in the School Sports Park

Enjoy a great barbecue, ice cream and beverages, live music, games galore including carnival games, miniature golf and the gigantic corn toss! And a special drawing for great prizes!

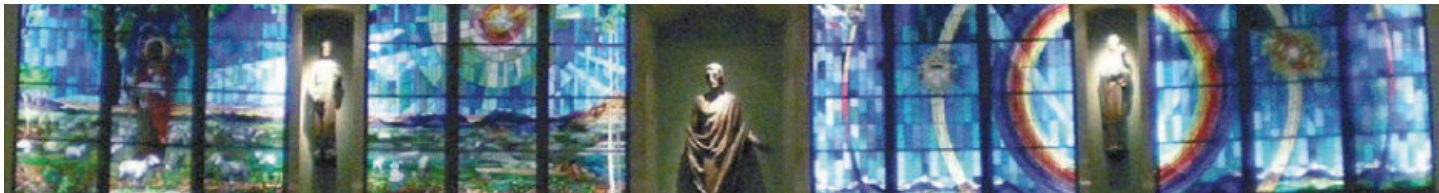
You will also be able to welcome our new pastor, Fr. Randy Dollins and Fr. Chris Marbury, our new parochial vicar!

So put on your red, white and blue and come join the fun!

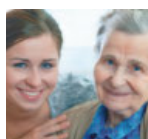
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# time & talent



## 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](mailto:dwells@alz.org) or 720.699.9278.

## Perpetual Adoration



"But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place." – Luke 21:36

Spend time with Our Blessed Lord in our Adoration Chapel! Visit [centennial.weadorehim.com](http://centennial.weadorehim.com) to see our schedule and sign up to be a regular weekly, bi-weekly, monthly or substitute adoror.

Visit our website: <https://centennial.weadorehim.com> to see the schedule and sign-up. Please call 303.220.3392 with questions. Thank you!

## Sacred Heart of Jesus, Summer Course

Learn about this beautiful devotion and "God's boundless and passionate love for mankind."



**Begins Tuesday, August 2:**  
On Tuesdays & Thursdays through September 8.

This is a six-week online class on the Sacred Heart of Jesus and will be presented by Daniel Campbell, The director of the Lay Division at St. John Vianney Theological Seminary. The Sacred Heart class is open to anybody, anywhere in the world.

The Sacred Heart class is only \$100 and registering for the class gets you a \$100 tuition credit for the Catechetical School.

Visit [sjvlaydivision.org](http://sjvlaydivision.org) or call 303.715.3195 to learn more and to register.

## Welcome, Newcomers!

We welcome to our parish family:

Rowell & Jenny Alfel  
Luke & Heather Anderson  
Mark & Carolyn Brewer  
Frederick & Nicole Chan  
Steven & Ann Marie Clark  
Donna Davis  
James & Mary DuBois  
Jourdan & Alison Eloriaga  
Jenna Erdle  
Marc & Jane Houghton  
Deann Lopez  
John Maguire

Gregory & Kristin Martini  
Marcos & Marilia Maya  
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Madison Wilbur

## Respect For All Life

"God sets the father in the family so that by the gifts of his masculinity he can be close to his wife and share everything ... And to be close to his children as they grow ... To be a father who is always present." – Pope Francis

## Questions of the Week



**Adult:** When have you been most blessed and when have you felt a little "broken" in your service to others?

**Child:** Why is it important to keep on giving, even when you are tired?

# treasure



## Support STM with eGiving

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## How Will You Remember?

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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](http://TheCatholicFoundation.com).

# vocations

## Traveling Chalice



Praying for vocations this week:

**Karen Schlipman**

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](mailto:karens@stthomasmore.org) or call 720.482.3594.

## Honoring Our Clergy



**Monday, June 22:**  
Ordination Anniversary of  
Dcn. Dave Simonton

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

## Celebrating an Anniversary

Honoring  
the beautiful  
vocation of  
marriage.



Happy Anniversary!

**Bill & Terry Malone** – 69 years

**Ron & Patty Winter** – 49 years

If you would like your anniversary to be published, please send an email to [bulletin@stthomasmore.org](mailto:bulletin@stthomasmore.org).



Please pray for our seminarians and for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Visit [sjvdenver.edu/seminarians](http://sjvdenver.edu/seminarians) for more information.

# youth: middle & high school



## 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 is quickly approaching! Join us for the parent and teen orientation meeting.

For questions, please contact Christina Hale at [christinah@stthomasmore.org](mailto:christinah@stthomasmore.org).

## Breakaway–Summer Fun

All high school students are invited to come!



**Wednesday, June 22:**  
6:00–9:00PM in the H.S. Youth Center

Join us for a fun night of games, snacks, faith and fellowship. We will meet at 6:00PM to play Ultimate Frisbee before Breakaway begins at 7:00PM.

For questions, please contact Christina Hale at [youth@stthomasmore.org](mailto:youth@stthomasmore.org).

## Cheyenne Mountain Zoo

Spend the day with friends and God's amazing creatures!



**Tuesday, June 28**  
8:30AM–6:00PM meet in the H.S. Youth Center

First road trip of the summer! All middle and high school youth are invited to join us for a day at the zoo. Cost is \$25 and a sack lunch or money for lunch. Scan the QR code to register.

For questions or to register, contact David Tschumper at [youth@stthomasmore.org](mailto:youth@stthomasmore.org).

## Join us for EchoFire

All middle school youth welcome!



**Thursday, June 23:**  
6:00–8:00PM in the Catacombs

Join the fun at EchoFire! All incoming sixth graders are invited. Make new friends, grow in faith and enjoy snacks. Feel free to bring a friend!

For questions, please contact Greg Johnson at [gregj@stthomasmore.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:gregj@stthomasmore.org).



### Connect with Youth Ministry!

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# our parish school



To learn more about our excellent parish school for preschool through eighth grade, visit [stmccatholic.org](http://stmccatholic.org) or call 303.770.0441 to schedule a personalized tour. Thank you!

## social

### Breakfast with Serra Club

Learn how to support our priests.



**Sunday, June 19:**  
After 8:30AM Mass in McCallin Hall

Join the Serra Club for breakfast after Mass today and learn more about this ministry which helps to foster and affirm Catholic vocations. For questions, please feel free to reach David Myhill at 214.926.9138.

### New Life – Senior Singles



**Friday, June 24:**  
5:00–8:00PM meet in the Padre

Join us for game night and bring snacks to share! Contact Sue Ogden at 303.779.7766 with any questions.

### Bingo and Movie Night!

All are welcome to come for a family night!



**Saturday, June 25:**  
7:00–10:00PM in McCallin Hall II

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

Scan the QR code to RSVP. For questions, contact Melanie Lauer at [melanieL@stthomasmore.org](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:maryt@stthomasmore.org) for more information.

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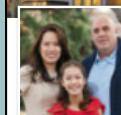
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