Saint Thomas More

Catholic Church

As the family goes, so goes the nation, and so goes the whole world in which we live.

January 16, 2022

Liturgy Schedule

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, & 11:00 AM

DAILY MASS

7:30 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Thursdays - 4:30 PM-5:15 PM • Saturdays - 8:15-9:00 AM

ADORATION

3:00 PM to 7:00 PM, Mon thru Fri

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Bulletin items are due to the Parish Office by Monday at 4:00 PM. Please email your items to: receptionist@thomasmorespokane.org.

ST. THOMAS MORE

Website: www.thomasmorespokane.org

January 16, 2022

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Deacon Tom Heavey	
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Oh Lord, give us a mind that is humble, quiet, peaceable, patient and charitable, and a taste of your Holy Spirit in all our thoughts, words, and deeds. O Lord, give us a lively faith, a firm hope, a fervent charity, a love of you. Take from us all lukewarmness in meditation and all dullness in prayer. Give us fervor and delight in thinking of you, your grace, and your tender compassion toward us. Give us, good Lord, the grace to work for

the things we pray for.
—St. Thomas More,

1478~1535



THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

Monday, January 17:

Martin Luther King Day, Parish Office & School Closed

Tuesday, January 18:

12:30 PM Rosary Makers

6:00 PM Knights of Columbus Mtg.

Wednesday, January 19:

9:00 AM
Noon
6:30 PM
6:00 PM
Adult Bible Study
Adult Bible Study
Sacramental Prep Class

Thursday, January 20:

1:00 PM Adult Bible Study **6:00 PM** Religious Education

Friday, January 21:

Saturday, January 22: 4:30 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday, January 23:

Masses at 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, & 11:00 AM Altar Society Membership Drive

If you have questions about any of these events, call the Parish Office.

Hearing assistance is available during liturgies at FM 89.1

The diocese is committed to helping victims/survivors of sexual abuse and to protecting children and vulnerable adults. Volunteers who supervise other volunteers who work with minors and vulnerable adults are required to report any suspected abuse by others they supervise. Contact: Roberta Smith, Victims Assistance Coordinator (509) 353-0442 Office Phone or (509) 998-8340 Cell. You may also go to the Diocesan website.

http://www.dioceseofspokane.org/safe-envirnoment.



Baptism: Go to our parish website to fill out the proper paperwork. After we receive your information, you will be contacted to schedule an appointment.

<u>Marriage</u>: To schedule an appointment for marriage preparation, please contact a parish priest at least four months in advance of your desired wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick: Call the Parish Office to request a priest. If the call is after hours, you will be prompted on how to proceed.

TIME Talent Treasure

Weekly Stewardship — 1/09/22

Income Budget—YTD Received—YTD Envelopes & Plates \$374,220.00 \$354,001.00

Received:

 In person
 \$4,336.00

 Mailed In
 \$7,175.00

 Online
 \$3,486.00

 Total
 \$14,997.00

Needed Weekly \$13,365.00

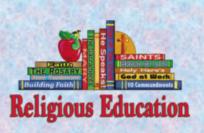
Thanks to all who offer your stewardship donations to the parish on-line! You can set up a one time or ongoing donation online at:

https://parish.thomasmorespokane.org/give

Ministers of the Altar January 22/23



Youth Faith Formation



For children in Kindergarten through 5th Grade. This is a great way to fulfill your responsibility to raise your children in our Faith. We meet on Thursdays at 6:00 PM in the PACC. If you are a high schooler or adult who would like to help with this program, contact Alexa at alexious 13@gmail.com.

Registration is online.





Sacramental Prep—Reconciliation, Confirmation, and First Communion

Parents meet in the PACC, children in the school.

Classes are Wednesdays at 6:00 PM **Upcoming Schedule:**

January 19, February 16, March 23, & April 20.

Questions: Contact Tracy Acker at tracyacker83@gmail.com

Middle School and High School Youth Group

High School Youth Group meet on Tuesdays from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM in the St. Charles Youth room.

On the first Wednesday of each month, we will host adoration with a message, music, and confession available from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM at St. Francis Xavier. That week we will not meet at our usual time at St. Charles and STM.

Middle School students meet on Wednesday from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM in the St. Thomas More gym, except for the first Wednesday of each month—see above note.

For more information and upcoming events, find us online: www.ncymspokane.com or JJ at jnazzaro@dioceseofspokane.org Be sure to check out the Mid-Semester Newsletter on our website.

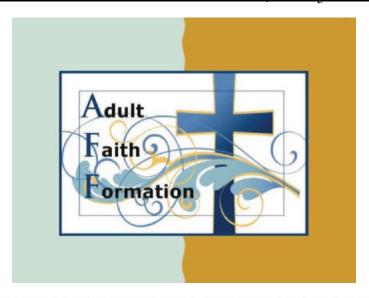
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ST. THOMAS MORE KNIGHTS OF
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FREE THROW CONTEST
AT STM GYM
FRIDAY, FEB. 4, 2022
SIGNUP STARTS AT 5:30 PM
CONTEST STARTS AT 6:00 PM
BOYS & GIRLS AGES 9-14 ARE ELIGIBLE
TO PARTICIPATE
Age as of Jan. 1, 2022
NO COST TO



PARTICIPATE
For questions contact Al
Pry 466-5951 or
alpry@comcast.net



Check out the following opportunities to renew and/or expand your Catholic Faith:

RCIA: Are you or someone you know interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith and/or joining the church. We meet after the 9:00 AM Mass. Contact Al or Sharon Pry at 466-5951 for more information. We are currently taking names for our classes that will begin next Fall.



Don't forget to check out Formed.org You will find bible studies, movies, documentaries, books, audio talks, and

sacramental prep material from leading Catholic experts which will help you grow in understanding your faith. Parish code: 6HR79H

Altar \ Society

Altar Society Membership Drive January 22 & 23

Please stop by the table in the back of the church and visit with one of the members of the Altar Society. Learn about the great things they do for our parish and how you can get involved!

Congratulations to the following STM students whose artwork was chosen for the Knights of Columbus "Keep Christ in Christmas" art contest:

Hannah Machtolf, Winner Miranda Manley, Runner up Vivien Theobald, Runner Up



Immaculate Heart Retreat Center

Private Directed Retreats at Immaculate Heart Retreat

Center are always available: Ignatian or Scriptural Spiritual Direction retreats. We can tailor a retreat to your spiritual and emotional needs. For more information or to register in advance, please call 448-1224 or visit www.ihrc.net. The Immaculate Heart Retreat Center is also looking for volunteers to help with their various ministries—help with the kitchen, Christmas decorating, yard and garden maintenance, and help in preparing rooms for their retreats. Contact Sr. Bernadette Pederson, Volunteer Coordinator.



We have Shawls II

If you need a shawl for someone who is ill, or in need of a warm blanket during a

difficult time, please call Helen Durgan at 842-8373. She can arrange to meet you to pick up a shawl.



Bishop Daly is asking Catholics in Eastern Washington to support this campaign. The Vatican will soon announce new requirements for formation before men begin seminary. Bishop White seminary is one of the first seminaries in the country to respond to these new requirements.

They have purchased a new building one block from the current seminary that has been renamed McGivney Hall. McGivney Hall will be the new home for our future seminarians and the new Cor Christi program. For more info visit bishopwhitesem.org.

Men's Discernment Retreat St. Patrick's Seminary, Menlo Park, CA February 25-27, 2022

Key note speaker, Bishop Thomas Daly Limited to single men 21 years of age and older If interested, contact Rev Kyle Ratuiste at kratuiste@dioceseofspokane.org



Thank you to our advertiser of the week: Spokane Midwives. Please support this business as well as all of the other businesses listed on the back of our bulletin.

Because of their generosity, we are able to print our bulletin free of charge.

Also, we still have a few spaces open for new advertisers. Please call Shannon Miller if you would like to advertise. Her number is on the back of the bulletin.



The Knights of Columbus is an international Order of Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others and

defend Catholic values in a busy changing world. Our local STM Council #11134 will be holding a membership drive after all the Masses this weekend. We invite all men to learn more about the Knights and how membership in the Knights brings Catholic men together in a powerful way. If you would like to join today, simply ask a brother Knight or go to our website: KofCSTM.org and click on "Join the knights".

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Please pray for those who are ill in our Parish and for those who are dying or who have died.

Never doubt the power of prayer! If you would like to add someone to our prayer chain, call Mary at 466-0531.



Thank you to Fr. Ed as he will cele-brate all the Masses the next 2 weeks while Fr. Pat goes to cover Masses in the parishes in Brewster and Twisp.

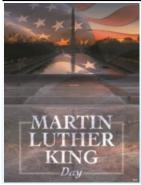
ADORATION



St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta has stated, "The fruit of silence is Prayer, the fruit of prayer is Faith, the fruit of faith is Love,...the fruit of love is

Service, the fruit of service is Peace." St. Padre Pio's words, "Confide your needs to Him, along with those of others."

Adoration is open Mon. thru Fri. 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM



Monday is Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. The Parish Office and School will be closed.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter Immaculate Heart Retreat Center March 11-13, 2022

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is presenting an IN PERSON Weekend Experience at Immaculate Heart

Retreat Center. To learn more, please call and leave a message for Ken and Cheryl at 509-922-9813 or email at kcnagle@comcast.net

You may apply at www.wwme.org for the Spokane are weekend.



- · Mass will be at 11:00 AM on Sunday, January 23, at Our Lady of Lourdes celebrated by Bishop Daly.
- The walk will begin at the Rotary Fountain, near the South Howard Street Bridge at noon on Sunday, January 23. Guest speaker will be "Pro Life Doc" Dr. William Lile
- In addition, on Saturday, January 22, there will be a showing of the movie, "Unplanned", after the 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM Masses in the Ribble Center.

Please remember, if you are unable to attend Sunday Mass it is livestreamed on Sunday mornings.

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Dear St. Thomas More Community,

Our students came to live out our mission statement to "Know, Love, and Serve God" over the Advent Season. We worked on our annual Advent food drive to help stock the shelves of the local St. Vincent de Paul food bank.

The challenge was for students to bring in the needed items from the St. Vincent de Paul group to replenish the reserves. We set the goal of 2,000 food items for the school or about 225 per class.

Well, our community generosity shined through again. Our students brought in over 3,500 items (Sorry to overwhelm you again St. Vincent's). It was an outpouring of Advent love in the shape of food to feed the community for months. In addition, we will again provide fresh produce in the summer from our garden.

I am very proud of our students, families, and community to support those in need all year. Our teachers taught the students that one item of food may seem small, but when we all do little things, we can make a lasting impact on the lives of others.

Great job Rebels!!!

Peace and Blessings,

Jim McCollum





Need Help Shoveling?
Don't forget about our 8th Graders who are now busy earning money for their DC trip next May. If you need help with cleaning or yard work, contact Jennifer Onzay at: STMDCTRIP@gmail.com





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