

St. Thomas Church

Oct 24, 2021



St. Thomas Mission Statement

The mission of St. Thomas Parish is to so mirror Jesus as a worshipping community that others are provoked to self-judgment in their lives.

ADMINISTRATOR: Rev. G. David Sears
PARISH TRUSTEES: John Kivela and Craig Becker
PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIR: Tom Wagner
PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL CHAIR: Brian Saville
MUSIC MINISTRY: Marsha Kistner, Peter Obernesser
YOUTH FAITH FORMATION: Sara Snell, 351-9846
PARISH CENTER COORDINATOR: Rev. G. David Sears
PARISH HISTORIAN: Gail Baldwin
NOTARY PUBLIC: Rev. G. David Sears
PRAYER CHAIN: J. Vine 732-2361, J. Falk 732-6650
CUSTODIAN: Peter Obernesser 733-1847
PARISH SECRETARY: Carol Sweet

RECTORY: 735-8381

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon., Wed. 8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENTS:

Confessions: Saturday 4:45 to 5:15 p.m.

Baptisms: By Appointment (call Father Sears at the Rectory)

Marriage Arrangements: Call Father Sears to arrange for necessary instructions.

Sick or Infirm: Please notify Rectory of admission to hospital or nursing care facility or of confinement at home.

MARIAN DEVOTION: Rosary recitation immediately following the weekday Masses.

Parish Center Schedule see website: stthomasnh.com

DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Tuesday, 1:00 p.m. two weeks in advance of publication.

New Parishioners: are most welcome. Please call the Rectory to register or fill out blue envelope in pew. Please introduce yourselves to the pastor.

150 Clinton Road, New Hartford, New York 13413
Church Website: www.stthomasnh.com

Intentions for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Saturday, October 30

4:00 PM Orazio Capuana, Bernadette Capuana, & Thomas
Capuana req Rosemary Wagner

Sunday, October 31

9:00 AM Georgia Ferrazzano req Family

This Week's Calendar

Today, October 24

2nd Collection-Capital Expenditures

Saturday, October 30

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Sunday, October 31 Halloween

2nd Collection-Capital Expenditures

Liturgical Roles

Lectors

4:00 PM Assembly Volunteers

9:00 AM Assembly Volunteers

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

4:00 PM Assembly Volunteers

9:00 AM Assembly Volunteers

Parish Prayer List

We include in our prayers all those who are ill, infirmed, homebound or struggling with some serious problem. Please remember in your prayers: Terry Hoffman, Ann Snyder, Sandra Rositano, Bernard Wolff, Suzanne Corrigan, Debbie Berry, Jennifer Rudd, Robin Shepherd and Kortney Palmer.

While we always pray for all of our sick and homebound, if there is anyone inside or outside our parish community you would like to be added to our list of intentions, please call the rectory. Also, we appreciate it when you inform us about someone whose name should be removed.



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Parish Prayer List

The sick and troubled of our parish are very important to us. We always keep them in our prayers, and regularly have a special Mass for them. For those who wish, we publish in our weekly bulletin the names of those who would like special remembrance. We rely on family and friends to notify us when someone has recovered, passed away, or moved away. However, over time we have not been regularly informed. Hence our list needs updating.

We are removing the list in its entirety from the bulletin, and have started anew. Please help us in this updating process. To do so, you may drop a note in the collection basket with the name(s) or call the rectory (315-735-8381) and leave a message. Please speak slowly and distinctly when spelling the names of your intentions, and please inform us in the same way when a name should be removed from the list. Thank you. Of course, if you wish to bring Communion to someone, please speak with Fr. Sears, who will provide you with a pyx.

We Greatly Appreciate...

If you are away— summer, winter, a holiday weekend, visiting, etc.— we greatly appreciate you remembering to submit the envelopes you “missed,” when you can. And, we are grateful for your continued generosity.

HOPE APPEAL 2021

On October 18, we sent a total of \$5,155.00 to the Diocesan Foundation Office towards our 2021 Hope Appeal Assessment of \$13,355.65. Of the \$5,155.00, \$2,655.00 was from 26 individual donors, and the rest, \$2,500.00, was a check from our savings account. Individual donations ranged anywhere from \$5 to \$300. To date, we have no way of knowing as yet how many individual donors sent their donations directly to the Diocese instead of through the parish office. Fr. Sears estimates the number who may have done so, is very few.

Based on the above, our balance is \$8,200.65 due by December 31. Fr. Sears estimates that perhaps virtually that entire amount will have to come from our savings account, sent to the Diocese in increments until December 31, unless more individual donors come forward. He estimates that our savings account will then have been depleted by close to \$10,700. We may have to tighten our belts by lowering the heat. Wear warm clothing when you come to Mass. Father says he may have to buy another sweatshirt! Bummer!

The Heat Is On

The heating bills in some parishes, we are told by those in the know, are astronomical. Here they are not. In fact, by those in the know, we are told ours are remarkably low. That's because we don't waste it. (Although some have suggested the reason for that is your pastor doesn't use it.)

Please help us continue to save by keeping the inner doors of the church CLOSED AT ALL TIMES. There is no reason for leaving those inner doors open simply because people are coming and going. We do not want to heat the vestibules. Please help us to conserve. And remember, IT IS YOUR MONEY.



Scripture Readings for the Week of October 24:

- Sunday:** Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2,2-3,4-5,6[3]/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52
- Monday:** Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2&4,6-7ab,20-21[21a]/Lk 13:10-17
- Tuesday:** Rom 8:18-25/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3,4-5,6[3a]/Lk 13:18-21
- Wednesday:** Rom 8:26-30/Ps 13:4-5,6[6a]/Lk 13:22-30
- Thursday:** Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3,4-5[5a]/Lk 6:12-16
- Friday:** Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-13,14-15,19-20/Lk 14:1-6
- Saturday:** Rom 11:1-2a,11-12,25-29/Ps 94:12-13a,14-15,17-18[14a]/Lk 14:7-11
- Next Sunday:** Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3,3-4,47,51[2]/Heb7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34



This Week's Hymns

- Entrance Hymn: #646 (Music Issue) Morning Has Broken**
- Communion Hymn: #376 (Music Issue) Servant Song**
- Recessional Hymn: #341(Music Issue) Lead Me Lord**



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