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Mass Times

Weekend

Saturday - 4:30pm

Sunday - 9am & 11am

Weekdays

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday - 8:15am

Tuesday - 6:45pm

No Mass on Thursday

Holy Days

Eve - 6:45pm

Holy Days - 8:15am, 11:15am & 6:45pm

Confessions

Saturday - 3pm until 4pm

Rectory Hours

Monday-Friday

9am - 4pm

Parish Staff

Rev. Michael J. Feldtz

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Deacon Don Brandt

Deacon

Deacon Charles Zawadzki

Retired Deacon

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Frank Budziak

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SATURDAY, JULY 10 –

VIGIL

4:30PM - People of the Parish

SUNDAY, JULY 11 –

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*9:00AM - Margaret Davis

*11:00AM - Janice O'Brien

MONDAY, JULY 12 –

WEEKDAY

8:15AM - All Souls' Day Intentions

TUESDAY, JULY 13 –

ST. HENRY

6:45PM - Holy Name Society

WEDNESDAY, JULY 14 –

ST. KATERI TEKAWITHA

8:15AM - Theresa & Peter Temas

THURSDAY, JULY 15 –

ST. BONAVENTURE

FRIDAY, JULY 16 –

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

8:15AM - Dorothy & Martin Pavelka

SATURDAY, JULY 17 –

WEEKDAY

8:15AM - Robert Zunt

*4:30PM - Arlene Mobley

SUNDAY, JULY 18 –

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00AM - People of the Parish

*11:00AM - Florence Dolinak

*Mass of Remembrance

Financial Blessings

Collection for July 4th.....\$6,864.00
Maintenance.....\$2,127.00
75th Anniversary.....\$410.00
Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.



2021 MASS INTENTIONS

The 2021 Mass book is filled. There are missionaries and retired priests that can pray for your intention at their Masses. If you are interested, please call the rectory.

WEEKLY CONTENT GUIDE

First Reading:

The LORD took me from following the flock, and said to me, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel." (Am 12:15)

Psalm:

Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation. (Ps 85)

Second Reading:

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavens, as he chose us in him, before the foundation of the world, to be holy and without blemish before him. (Eph 1:3-4)

Gospel:

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits. (Mk 6:7)

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

CHAIRPERSON: Stephanie Liebert

SECRETARY: Dawn Thomas

REGISTRATION

Persons who live within parish boundaries should be properly registered. This includes all students in high school and college. Register with the priest after Mass or by calling the rectory. If you move out of the parish, please notify the rectory.

BAPTISMS

Sunday: 12:30 PM or during any weekend liturgy. Prior to baptism of their first child, parents are required to attend a Pre-Baptism class. Please call the rectory at 216-749-0414 to schedule an interview.

MARRIAGES

Should be arranged with a priest by calling the rectory 8 months prior to the wedding date. Individual conferences, plus attendance at a pre-marriage program, are required for proper preparation.

FROM THE CORNER OFFICE...

"Well, here we go..." The staff is just starting to know me, after a year no doubt. If Father says, "I had a solid five hours of sleep and two cups of coffee!" That is translated to: stay away from Father, as his crazy ideas will be spewing out...

But, let's look at this week's reading as we change gears from looking at **Faith to Living our Faith**. **Jesus** calls the twelve together and sends them out to spread the Good News. **Paul** confirms our adoption in Christ and how we were chosen since, "...before the foundation of the world, to be holy and without blemish..." Even **Amos** is in on the work, as he is sent forward from Bethel by the priest. Now the interesting point is that Amos tells how he was "minding his own flock and living a nice life" until he was sent by the Lord to prophesy to Israel.

Imagine, being comfortable in life, and now being sent out into the world. I think we can all relate to that one. This week, let's look at how **we are being called** by God, out of our comfortable lives to spread the Good News! [**Look out Brooklyn**, here comes STM!]

Fr. Mike

75th Anniversary thoughts:

This weekend with the outdoor Mass (*if the weather holds-out*) will mark a turning point in the summer and our activities. The Mass will bring in a "turning-up the volume" a bit on the activities and the fun! The ice cream social, breakfast, and other events *were meant to only get you in shape for the heavy lifting!* **We are requiring you to Have MORE FUN** in the name of the parish's 75th **Anniversary Celebration!**

The history quotes and videos are being gathered. The bigger plans for the visit from the Bishop and the Home Coming Weekend are all falling into place, so stay tuned! On the fundraising side and ticket sales, *all I can say is let's keep it going*. Offer tickets to friends outside the parish, check the couches at the doctor's office when you go, and pick up those shiny pennies in the parking lot ~ every little amount helps. With the needs of the HVAC system of the church and continual maintenance, I'll be glad to show you where that extra help will be applied.

Thanks again for all the *support, prayers, and time* everyone has given to the parish and school of St. Thomas More. The help allows us to celebrate 75 years, and hopefully ~ **many more!**

TRAVELING MADONNA

This week the statue is at the home of:

The Badza Family.

Please continue to pray for our host families as they share their home with our Traveling Madonna. Remember to send in any pictures that you take to the rectory. **Please call the rectory to sign-up to host the Traveling Madonna in 2021.**

SAINT QUOTE

"We must beg the Holy Spirit, with ardent longing, to give us these fruits. The Holy Spirit alone, knows how to bring to light, the sweetness hidden away under the rugged exterior of the words of the Law. We must go to the Holy Spirit for interior guidance."

St. Bonaventure (1221-1274),

Bishop, Doctor of the Church, Feast Day: July 15th
(Bulletin Quote provided by AZ Quotes; www.azquotes.com)

PARISH PRAYER

O God, the Creator and giver of all things, bless this parish. Strengthen our faith; grant us the spirit of sacrifice and service so that, with Your grace, we may provide for the needs of our members, glorify You and sanctify ourselves. Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.

VOCATION CORNER

For all of the Sisters of the Humility of Mary and for all those in formation

You can learn more about this order by visiting—www.humilityofmary.org. Please keep the Sisters of the Humility of Mary and all those discerning a vocation in your prayers as we continue to pray for vocations. To let them know that they are in your thoughts and prayers, send a card to PO Box 534, Villa Maria, PA 16155.

BAPTISM WORKSHOP

There will be a pre-Baptism workshop in the church on Tuesday, July 20th at 7:30PM. It will conclude by 8:30PM. Please contact the rectory to register.

ANNUAL MEMORIAL CANDLES

Memorial Candles, with your loved one's name inscribed on it, are available. You can have a candle displayed for six months for \$100. Forms are available at the rectory.

Thank You!

Thank you to all the painters, roofers, landscapers and various others who are working so hard on St. Thomas More Parish and School. They may not see this thank you, but they can definitely feel your prayers and thanks!



Theodore Antrum, Jack Baker, Jeremy Cheetham, Diana Downes, Richard Franko, Alice Gruden, Ida Jean Hopkins, Sr. Ignatius Jones, SIW, Doris Kaczmarek, Ava Kaspar-Hernandez, Jesse Kazimer, Martha & George Kysil, Bill Malames, Vinny Mercurio, John Misch, Tim Misch, Rafaela Morales, Josalyn Murray, Keshia Newton, Jim Palumbo, Joanne Palumbo, Pam Palumbo, Mary Ellen Popovich, Paula Ritter, Bob & Audrey Roginsky, Mary Ryba, Memphis Charles & Myles David Sparks, Karen Syroka, Debbie Tomusko, Joy Turner, Jim Viets, Robert Wittine, Betty Wozniak and Marian Zawadzki

Please call the rectory by noon on Monday to add a name to the list. Names will remain on the list for the month.

PRAYER LIST

We have kept the same names on the prayer list each month since the start of the pandemic. Starting with the July 4th bulletin, we will start a fresh new list. To add a name to the list, please call or email (rectory@stmparish.net) by Monday at noon and the name will remain for the whole month. Thank you!



Please remember Marguerite Purcell,
Mrs. Theresa Dragga, Rev. Jerome Lukachinsky and
Nellie Kriausky in your prayers.
God grant them eternal rest.

“YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH”

Pope Francis has declared an entire year dedicated to St. Joseph. The Year of St. Joseph began on December 8, 2020 and continues until December 8, 2021.

JOSEPH MOST FAITHFUL

Fidelity connotes steadfastness. In the vicissitudes of life, one needs steadfast love, that is, fidelity, when encountering confusion, suffering, and failure. The image of Joseph finding a place in which the Child could be born was his movement in all of life. Failure simply meant one went on in fidelity and found by failure what God had intended for the fruitfulness of His will.

(<https://yearofstjoseph.org/resources/virtues-of-st-joseph/>)

Cluster Corner

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE: 216-749-2323

Raffle - Tickets are available in the parish office for the raffle that will be held on Sunday, August 8th. 1st Prize: \$3,000, 2nd Prize: \$1,500 and 3rd Prize: \$500.

ST. CHARLES BORROMEO: 440-884-3030

Summer 2021 Raffle - St. Charles will not be holding their Carnival this year, but they are still having a raffle. Tickets are available at the office. The drawing is Sunday, August 15th and the prizes are: Grand Prize - 2021 GMC Terrain, 2nd Prize - \$5,500 New Roof and 3rd Prize - \$3,500.

ST. LEO THE GREAT: 216-661-1006

Bus Trip - St. Leo's Bus Trips are BACK! All trips leave from and return to the rectory side of St. Leo's parking lot. Join us on Wednesday, August 18th for a trip to Rivers Casino. \$45/person with a Casino Bonus - \$20 in free play and a \$5 food credit. Call Sandy Diaddario at 216-926-3123 with questions or to register.

NEW MINISTRY

We are adding to the list of ministries here at St. Thomas More - Prison Pen Pals. If you are interested, please see Fr. Mike, Deacon Don or Frank Budziak for more information. Prayers requested for this new ministry.



Readings *Week of the*

Readings for the week of July 11, 2021

Sunday: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13
Monday: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8a]/Mt 10:34-11:1
Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34 [cf. 33]/Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Mt 11:25-27
Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27 [8a]/Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18 [13]/Mt 12:1-8
Saturday: Ex 12:37-42/Ps 136:1 and 23-24, 10-12, 13-15/Mt 12:14-21
Next Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34

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**75TH ANNIVERSARY
SUMMER CELEBRATION AND RAFFLE**

Mark your calendar for Sunday, August 1st from 12-5PM for our 75th Anniversary Summer Celebration!

The day will be filled with food, games and music.

We will end the evening with our 75th Anniversary Raffle! Tickets for the 75th Anniversary Raffle are being sold after Masses in the main vestibule or at the rectory. Tickets are \$75 each with only 750 tickets being sold. Prizes are \$7500, \$2021 and \$1946. Drawing is August 1, 2021.

Please contact the rectory if you would like to volunteer to help on August 1st.

75TH ANNIVERSARY MEMORIES NEEDED

Calling **ALL PARISHIONERS** to share their favorite memory of St. Thomas More (parish or school). Selections will be printed in our 75th Anniversary booklet. Please submit your written memory to the rectory or email rectory@stmparish.net. You can also submit written memories or request to be a part of the 75th Anniversary video series at stmparish.net/memories.

CALLING ALL ST. THOMAS MORE ALUMNI

Please help us stay connected with you, especially during this special 75th Anniversary year. We want to hear from you! Please send an email to rectory@stmparish.net with your name (as it was at graduation), married name (if applicable) and your year of graduation.

75TH ANNIVERSARY UPDATES

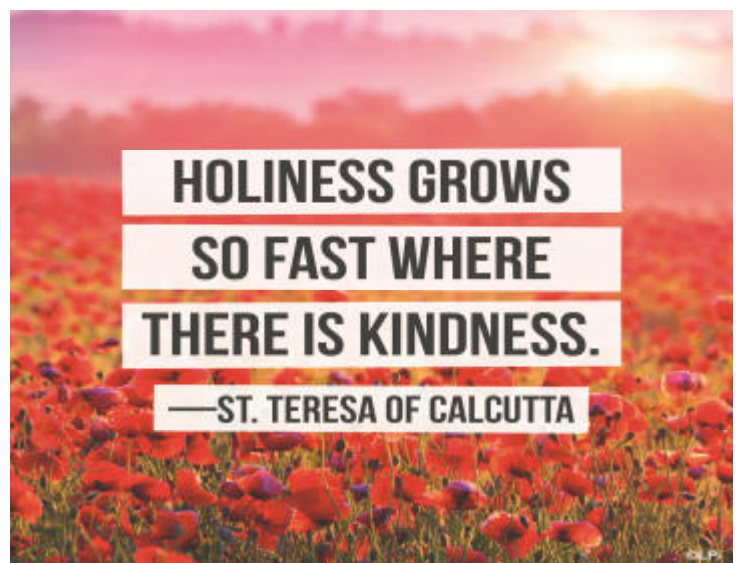
The updated stats for the week ending July 9th:
25 new families
52 new parishioners
75th Anniversary Fund:
\$38,571.00



We would like to wish Fr. Mike
~ Happy Anniversary ~
as he celebrated his 1-year anniversary on July 1st.
Thank you for all that you do for
St. Thomas More Parish and School.

FAITH DIRECT

Do you have summer vacation plans this month or next? Remember to plan for your offertory as well! When summer getaways take you out of town on Sundays, eGiving lets you continue to support St. Thomas More and the ministries you cherish. You can sign up from your computer, smartphone or tablet, and set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift. Sign up today by visiting faith.direct OH684. Thank you for your continued support!



MOTHER'S & FATHER'S DAY CANDLES

If you purchased a candle, you can pick it up behind the sanctuary.

BROOKLYN SENIOR CENTER

Players are needed for Bocce and Wii Bowling. If you are interested, please call the Brooklyn Senior Center at 216-635-4222 for more details.

TAKE COURAGE THE FEST 2021

As summer quickly passes by, don't miss out on the highlight of summer - The FEST. It's an amazing day of faith, family and fun. Join us on the 132 acres of the Brookside Reservation to hear the best Christian artists/bands: We are Messengers, Tauren Wells, Danny Gokey, and for King and Country. It's going to be great to come together to celebrate our faith at Mass with Bishop Malesic at 8PM. Get all the details and ticket information by going to: www.theFEST.us. For over 20 years, The FEST has been a high point of the summer season for thousands across our region. Invite your family and friends to join you at The FEST.

Sign up for your craft kit today!

The FEST 2021 will be a great day for people of all ages - including our youngest FEST-goers! We have great crafts, activities, and entertainment in our Kids Activities Area. Make sure you get your tickets today to join us in person on Sunday, August 8th - there's something for the whole family! Not able to join us in person? Tune into the FEST@Home and sign up today for your craft kit! Visit the website (www.theFEST.us/kids) for details and registration!



Esperança is a global health organization founded in 1970 by a Franciscan priest and doctor, and his network of goodhearted friends. The organization supports health projects in Bolivia, Ecuador, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Peru and Arizona. Donations are used to support missionary surgery programs and public health projects. Public health projects include: water wells, home construction, agriculture, cholera and malaria prevention, and health education. Esperança will be sharing about their ministry at the Masses on July 24th & 25th. For more information, please visit: www.esperanca.org.



HOW TO PARTICIPATE.

Step 1

Register as an individual or get your socially distanced crew together to create a team.

Step 2

Plan out your walk, run or mosey.

Step 3

Between July 15th and 31st, hit the pavement.

Step 4

Snap a picture and submit it at clevelandhabitat.org/contest for a chance to win fun prizes -- and bragging rights!

clehabitatwalk.org

questions?
contact kim at 216.325.5576 or
events@clevelandhabitat.org

ACTIVITIES, CONTESTS AND SO MUCH MORE JULY 15 - 31

Scan here to register!



Our Lord did not come to be served, but to serve (Matt 20:28).

Eucharistic Ministers

Are you interested in more fully living out your call to server? With us returning more to normal times, we are looking to add to our number of Eucharistic Ministers for Mass. We are especially in need of help in bringing Holy Communion to our homebound.

If you are fully initiated into the Church, faithfully participating in Mass regularly and interested in helping in this ministry or just want to find out more about it, please contact Frank Budziak via e-mail (pastoralministry@stmparish.net) or call the rectory. Please note, at this time training is over the Internet only and an e-mail address is required.



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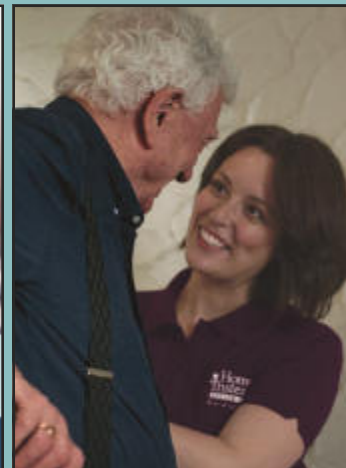
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