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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

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Nicole Dykstra - Principal
216-749-1660 | stmschool.com

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 –
VIGIL
4:30PM - Mother's Day Enrollment
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 –
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
9:00AM - People of the Parish
*11:00AM - Samantha Call
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 –
ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM
8:15AM - Andrew Creter
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 –
THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS
6:45PM - Holy Name Society
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 –
OUR LADY OF SORROWS
8:15AM - Daniel & Jane Zauszniewski
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 –
SS. CORNELIUS & CYPRIAN
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 –
ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE
8:15AM - Ann Gierth - Student Liturgy
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 –
WEEKDAY
8:15AM - Dee Marzola
4:30PM - People of the Parish
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 –
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
*9:00AM - Mary Jane Lisowski
*11:00AM - Dorothy Wiencek
*Mass of Remembrance

Financial Blessings

Collection for September 5th.....$4,289.00
Maintenance.....$1,744.90
75th Anniversary.....$293.00

Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

I - Nicole Carson (St. Thomas More) &
Brenden Hunt (St. Thomas More)

WEEKLY CONTENT GUIDE

First Reading:
I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. (Is 50:8)

Psalm:
I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living. (Ps 116) Or Alleluia.

Second Reading:
What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? (Jas 2:14)

Gospel:
And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter said to him in reply, "You are the Christ." (Mk 8:29)

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CYO TEAM MASS

CYO has designated September 18th-19th as team Mass Sunday. Join us in praying for our student-athletes that they have a safe and successful season.

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…

"Go in Peace, keep warm, and eat well." (***Or***…) How about, "Have a nice week, take care, and be good." Do any of these words have *meaning* or *support* behind them? ***Any sustenance*** for those we say these words to?

Yes, we know that words have meanings and that should be helpful – ***BUT***, do our words that we say to others have *the* ***actions to support*** *the words*? The prophet **Isaiah** writes of God being our help and strength to deal with the worldly challenges we face each day. This passage helps us to see – as **Jesus** shares with his disciples and traveling companions – about the suffering of the Son of Man. Jesus even tells all of us that it will not be easy and that there will be challenges to following Christ. The reward is *salvation* in ***God's Glory***! This is why we return to **James'** letter with questions concerning our words… When we say that we are Christians following Christ as Catholics, do our words actually *have support* ***and*** *sustenance* behind them? Do we actually live out our faith in action or do we just say the words with little or no meaning? This week let's all preach the Gospel *with actions*… Remember **St. Francis** saying, "*Preach the Gospel at all times. When necessary, use words*." (!)

Fr. Mike

75th Anniversary thoughts:

The weeks are continuing and the *amazement never slows down*. This past holiday weekend included very nice donations from (Mr. & Mrs. Anonymous…) donors in the form of an extra-large grill for events and financial support to the parish. All of which are greatly appreciated and will be used to bring us ***all together***.

The mission of the ***75th Anniversary Committee*** volunteers is to help celebrate and bring together all of us as a community of faith. The readings today have us asking how our faith is lived out in actions. Look around this week, plan for the next parish event (s), and see if you'll agree with me, that at **St. Thomas More** we are all called to live out our faith in action. Let us all continue to ***DO*** this Faith in Action.

School started here at St. Thomas More this past week. We would like to thank all of the teachers who work so hard to help our students persevere. "A good teacher can inspire hope, ignite the imagination, and instill a love of learning" (Brad Henry). May God bless you!

TRAVELING MADONNA

This week the statue is at the home of:
Marlene Mohnickey.

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. There are still a few weeks available this November and December to host the Madonna.**

SAINT QUOTE

"I see paradise has no gate, but whoever desires may enter there, for God is all mercy and stands with open arms to admit us to His glory."

St. Catherine of Genoa (1447-1510),
Patron of Widows,
Feast Day: September 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

VOCATION OF THE MONTH:
Seminarians at Borromeo & St. Mary Seminary

To learn more visit borromeoseminary.org and stmarysem.edu. Please keep all of the Seminarians 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 28700 Euclid Avenue, Wickliffe, Ohio 44092.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

The Catholic Diocese of Cleveland and dioceses across the country have been asked by the leadership of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to have a special collection on behalf of the people who have been impacted by Hurricane Ida. The special collection will take place the weekend of September 18th & 19th.

Who am I?
Why am I here?
Where am I going?

Join us for
THE SEARCH
A seven part series to consider the fundamental questions of life from a Catholic perspective.
The Answer might surprise you.

Tuesday evenings, September 21st, 2021 through November 2nd in the church.
From 7:30pm until 8:45pm.
Follows the 6:45pm Mass. All are welcome.

Theodore Antrum, Jack Baker, Michael Bogucki, Avianna Burgos, Minh Chau & Tai Nguyen, Jeremy Cheetham, Jim Crowley, Elizabeth DeLeon, Diana Downes, Sharon Erich, Maureen Finneran, Yolanda G., Ruth & Joseph Giaco, Alice Gruden, Bobby Hengoed, Ed Hengoed, Sr., Ida Jean Hopkins, Sr. Ignatius Jones, SIW, Mick Jones, Doris Kaczmarek, Ava Kaspar-Hernandez, Jesse Kazimer, Melissa Korhely, Joyce Krist, Jessica Kuhar, Raymond Kuhar, Helen Kuhel, Martha & George Kysil, Maggie Leonardo, Robert Loria, Bill Malames, Vinny Mercurio, John Misch, Tim Misch, Albert Mladineo, Mills & Lillian Mooney, Rafaela Morales, Josalyn Murray, Keshia Newton, Jean Palumbo, Jim Palumbo, Joanne Palumbo, Pam Palumbo, Aurora Pelleschi, Victor Piskor, Mary Ellen Popovich, Dennis Powers, Sr., Paula Ritter, Ed Rogers, Bob & Audrey Roginsky, Mary Ryba, Baby Sienna, Alexis Simecek, Memphis Charles & Myles David Sparks, Special Intention, Jennifer Stancato, Karen Syroka, Debbie Tomusko, Joy Turner, William Udics, Jim Viets, Leroy Werley, Erica Wilmot, Robert Wittine, Betty Wozniak, Ed Zalar and Marian Zawadzki.

Please call the rectory by noon on Monday to add a name to the list. Names <u>will remain</u> on the list until you call to have them removed.

Readings of the Week

<u>Readings for the week of September 12, 2021</u>

Sunday:	Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35
Monday:	1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [1Cor 11:26b]/Lk 7:1-10
Tuesday:	Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 [cf. 7b]/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
Wednesday:	1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [2]/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Thursday:	1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10 [2]/Lk 7:36-50
Friday:	1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3
Saturday:	1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2]/Lk 8:4-15
Next Sunday:	Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16-4:3/Mk 9:30-37

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Cluster Corner

<u>MARY QUEEN OF PEACE: 216-749-2323</u>

Car Show - Join us on Saturday, September 25th from 11:30AM-2:30PM for our 22nd Annual Classic Car Show (rain date is 10/2). Admission is FREE. Food and drink available to purchase. Hosted by the Holy Name Society. For more information, please call Joe Noga at 216-544-9648

<u>ST. CHARLES BORROMEO: 440-884-3030</u>

Car Wash - Cub Scout Pack 73 will sponsor a Car Wash on Sunday, September 12th from 9AM-1PM in the Unity Catholic Credit Union Parking Lot.

<u>ST. LEO THE GREAT: 216-661-1006</u>

Bus Trip - October Bus Trip: Monday, October 11th to Seneca Allegany Casino. $48/person BONUS $25 in free play! For information and to reserve your spot, contact Sandy Diaddario at 216-926-3123.

Please remember
Rita Buckon in your prayers.
God grant her eternal rest.

<u>FAITH FORMATION</u>

RCIA - Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Do you know anyone interested in becoming Catholic? If so, please contact the rectory at 216-749-0414. Sessions will begin in September.

<u>PSR</u>

Registration is open for PSR classes for the 2021/2022 school year. Forms are available on the parish website or in the rectory. Forms and payment are due to the rectory. Please contact the rectory with any questions. For any families with students in grades 1-8 that will be new to the program next year, please contact Terri Sozio at psr@stmparish.net. PSR begins on Tuesday, September 21st.

<u>CONFIRMATION 2022</u>

If your child will be in the 8th Grade for the 2021/2022 school year and is NOT in PSR or the Day School, please contact the parish or email bbarker@stmparish.net to get information on service.

<u>FIRST COMMUNION</u>

If your child is not enrolled in the day school or PSR and is interested in making his/her First Communion, please contact the rectory to register.

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 12, 2021

MUSIC MINISTRY

Hello parishioners of St. Thomas More!
I hope you all had a great summer, and as the start of the new liturgical year approaches (Advent is not that far away!), I just wanted to update you on some things that are coming up.

MISSALS: With the beginning of the new year also comes new missals. I want to thank everyone that purchased a missal last year. With the uncertainty of the pandemic, it was impractical to put them in the pews. That being said, starting in late November, we will be putting missals in the church for use during the Mass. However, if you would still like to purchase one for personal use, more information will be coming soon about that. Thank you again for your understanding over the past year.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: I will now be taking over scheduling Eucharistic Ministers. As records of EM's have changed hands over the past couple of weeks, please be patient as I put everything together. If you are trained as a Eucharistic Minister and want to be placed back onto the schedule but haven't been yet, please contact me (at musicministry@stmparish.net) and let me know: Your name, basic contact information, and which Mass you attend. Current EM's: expect an email from me soon about scheduling for the rest of the year.

Kind regards,
Alex Ulle
Music Director

BLESSING FOR THE FALLEN OF 9-11

God of mercy, in your word of Scripture, you instruct us to "Do to others as you would have them do to you."

Give us today the courage to assist those around us who may need our assistance. Give us patience when we become impatient.

Remind us to pray for all those who perished on United Airlines 93, American Airlines 11, United Airlines 175, American Airlines 77, and those in the Twin Towers and Pentagon.

Give us a heart thankful for those who gave their lives as first responders, as did the men and women who ran into danger to be of aid.

We ask all this in the name of the One who first responded to our need for a savior, Jesus the Christ. Amen. ©LPi

GRANDPARENTS DAY BLESSING

God of our ancestors, we thank you for our children and our children's children. They are reminders from you about how precious life can be. We humbly ask for wisdom and patience as we take pride and wonder in our grandchildren. Those of us who now pray to you also seek your blessing upon these men and women who are our grandparents or who act in place of grandparents. Bless all the children and their parents and grandparents with your abundant grace. We ask all this through the intercession of Saints Joachim and Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary, patron saints of grandparents, in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen. ©LPi

Join St. Thomas More's Spiritual Life Commission for

THE LIVING ROSARY
Thursday, October 7, 2021
At 7:00 pm
IN THE PARKING LOT
(weather permitting: please bring your own chair)

Please fill out the form below and return it to the rectory.
Only 1 bead (intention) per person.

LIVING ROSARY - THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2021

NAME_____PHONE NUMBER_____

IN REMEMBRANCE OF_____

SPECIAL INTENTION_____

WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE AT THE LIVING ROSARY Y N (CIRCLE ONE)

Please return to the rectory office by Monday, September 27, 2021

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75th Anniversary Homecoming Weekend Social

Calling all current and former parishioners, school alums and current school parents to a Homecoming Weekend Social!

When: Saturday, September 25, 2021
Time: 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm
Ticket Purchase: $25 each and are all inclusive of appetizers and drinks
Visit the parish website or contact the rectory to purchase tickets

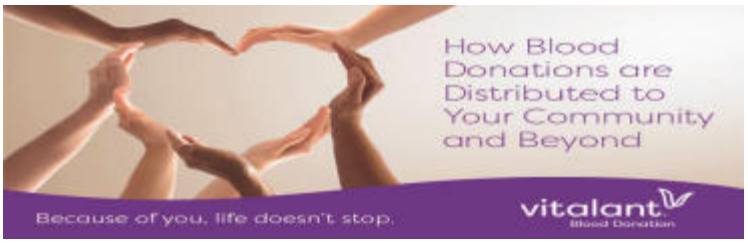
Event will also include self tours of the school, side board raffles, basket raffles and time to connect with new and old friends.
We hope to see you there!

Additional Homecoming Weekend Activities:

- Outdoor Movie Night—Friday, September 24th (starts at 7pm)
- 11am Mass—Sunday, September 26th (Followed by a cookout)

We need your help!

If you are interested in assisting with the Homecoming Weekend Social on Saturday please contact the rectory or stop in the back of church after Mass the weekend of 9/11-9/12 to sign up. Thank you in advance!



Giving blood is just the first step toward helping hospital patients. Learn how blood goes from donor to hospital patient. Visit https://vit.la/rkbawz. Mark your calendar for a blood drive here at St. Thomas More on Sunday, October 24th from 10am to 1:30pm.

St. Thomas More Pack 319 is looking for boys and girls who want to join Scouting. The Pack meets on Thursday nights at 7pm in STM Utopia Hall. It is open to all boys and girls in Grades K-5th.

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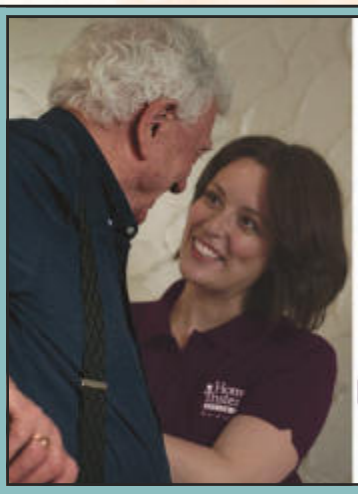

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