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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 - 3:30pm until 4:15pm

Rectory Hours

Monday - Friday - 9am-3pm

Parish Staff

Rev. Michael J. Feldtz
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Retired Permanent Deacon

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Music Director

Terri Sozio
Religious Education

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Meg Cosgriff - Principal
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THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISH

SATURDAY, JULY 8 -

VIGIL

*4:30 PM - Nancy Williams

SUNDAY, JULY 9 -

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 AM - People of the Parish

*11:00 AM - Alex Gordon

MONDAY, JULY 10 -

WEEKDAY

8:15 AM - Joseph Valencik

TUESDAY, JULY 11 -

ST. BENEDICT

6:45 PM - Jim Casey

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12 -

WEEKDAY

8:15 AM - Elizabeth Werley

THURSDAY, JULY 13 -

ST. HENRY

FRIDAY, JULY 14 -

ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA

8:15 AM - Kevin Sislak

SATURDAY, JULY 15 -

ST. BONAVENTURE

8:15 AM - Eleanor Yencha

*4:30 PM - Helen Barber

SUNDAY, JULY 16 -

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*9:00 AM - Stanley Sovizral

11:00 AM - People of the Parish

*Mass of Remembrance

Financial Blessings

The collection amounts for July 2nd will be in the July 16th bulletin due to early submittal for the holiday.

Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.



Thursday, July 13

6:30 PM Catholic Summer School - Utopia Hall

ST. THOMAS MORE ATHLETICS

Our athletic program is in need of volunteers. If you are interested, please contact Mark Butler, our Athletic Director, at mbutler@stmparish.net.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

CHAIRPERSON: Emily Blaich

SECRETARY: Dawn Thomas

REGISTRATION

Persons who live within parish boundaries should be properly registered. This includes all students in high school and college. Register online 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.

FAITH DIRECT

Enroll online at faith.direct/OH684. Have questions? Please email infor@faithdirect.net or call toll free 1-866-507-8757.

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.

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 9, 2023

FROM THE CORNER OFFICE

This *Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time* brings us well into the second half of the liturgical year. But simply, the week after the *Fourth of July* gives us that reality that our summer is more than half over. This is a very humbling realization, but then it also helps us to live out these readings for the week, to be humbled as we live in the spirit.

The **Prophet Zechariah** points us to a humble king, which is where **St. Paul** directs us to live in **the Spirit** (not the flesh). **St. Paul** urges us to live in **the Spirit**, and not of the flesh, so that we cannot be put to death, as "...you will live." Jesus, wanting to share in our burdens to help us be humble, knows that we will all live in **the Spirit**. Let's all live in **the Spirit** – **the Holy Spirit**, so that like the psalmist, we can ever sing to **God**, "...my king and my God." [!]

Fr. Mike

From the Pastor's Desk:

From looking at the **Summer of Fun** schedule and the various calendars, I see a bit of a low in the line-up of events, but this is only in the appearance. We have all been working towards the next "**barrage**" of events. We will be having the talks on our faith coming up this summer yet, and we are already planning special talks and events for the Eucharistic Revival.

Please keep in contact with not only your friends and family, but also "keep an eye on the parish bulletin, website, or email blasts" for the announcements. Stay **TUNED IN!**

TRAVELING MADONNA

This week the statue is at the home of

Jim & Paulette Higgins.

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 2023. The statue can be picked up from the Music Office in the church after Mass on Saturday or Sunday, but must be returned by the following Saturday to the Music Office by 4pm.



July 15/16

MASS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	LECTORS	SERVERS
4:30 PM	Sheryl Finohr Denise Puening Marilu Slimak Greg Booth	Peggy Palumbo Wendy Huynh	
9:00 AM	Meegan McKenna Jennifer Mladineo Terri Sozio	Jaclene Zauszniewski Jessica Brown	Parker Redloske Noah Redloske Jelicia Lopez
11:00 AM	Joyce Stutzman Bernice Barker Madelyn Koranda	Jeff Stutzman	Brendon Kiscoe Rylee Kingery Faith Stanley Dolly Magistro



Melissa Ali, Baby Eli, Terri Baranich, Carol Bauchens, Albert Becerra, Lisa Bodnar, Robert Bonus, Jr., Avianna Burgos, Christine DeMarco, Diana & Greg Downes, Sharon Erich, Tom Erich, Julie Ersek & Joel, Patricia Foerster, Ken Galaida, Ruth Giaco, Sara Hardy, Donna & Doris Kaczmarek, Jesse Kazimer, Melissa Korhely, Martha & George Kysil, Al Lada, Shirley M., Madonna, Scott & Family, Frank & Lucy Magyar, Dreama Mecklenburg, Vinny Mercurio, Dan Misch, John Misch, Kathy Mitchell, Marlene Mohnickey, Lillian Mooney, Rafaela Morales, Josalynn Murray, Jean Palumbo, Jodi Palumbo, Annette Pirozek, Monica Puleo, Paula Ritter, Janet Sekerak, Mike Sekerak, Irene & Tom Sheridan, Elaine Smet, Margie & Don Spits, Anthony Tedesco, Sam Urban, Leroy & Patricia Werley, Betty Wozniak and Deacon Chuck & Marian Zawadzki.

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

IN REMEMBRANCE

Please remember Rev. Paul Wysocki and Florence Chambers in your prayers. God grant them eternal rest.

FUNERAL SERVERS

We are still in need of adult servers for funerals. If you are interested, please call the rectory or Vernon Recker at 216-351-1531

THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS

Each year, the Holy Father asks for your prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for this intention this month:

JULY: FOR A EUCHARISTIC LIFE - We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

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 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)

FAITH FORMATION

RCIA - Do you know someone that has expressed an interest in the Catholic Faith? Or perhaps you or someone you know has not received all the Sacraments? We have an app for that! It is called RCIA! Please call the rectory to learn more about entering into the Catholic Faith.

PSR - Registration forms for the 2023-2024 school year will be available soon at the rectory or by contacting psr@stmparish.net.

CONFIRMATION & FIRST COMMUNION 2024

Confirmation - If you will be in the 8th grade for the 2023-2024 school year and are NOT in PSR or the day school, please contact Terri Sozio at psr@stmparish.net.

First Communion - If your child is not enrolled in PSR or the day school and is interested in making his/her First Communion, please email psr@stmparish.net.

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.

THANKFUL CORNER

Thank you to Lorrie Wenmoth, our Music Director, who juggles many tasks. On top of all things musical, Lorrie also does all of the liturgy ministry scheduling. Thank you so much for all that you do!

ST. THOMAS MORE PARISH SUMMER OF FUN '23

RSVP/REGISTER AT STMPARISH.NET/CALENDAR



Catholic Summer School - The Bible

Thursday, July 13, 2023 (6:30pm in Utopia Hall)

Each session will give a basic overview of the topic, provide some simple resources, and allow for questions (and hopefully some answers).



Catholic Summer School - The Catechism

Thursday, July 20, 2023 (6:30pm in Utopia Hall)

Each session will give a basic overview of the topic, provide some simple resources, and allow for questions (and hopefully some answers).



Outdoor Mass and Hot Dog Cookout

Saturday, July 22 (following 4:30pm Mass)

Join us for Mass & a free picnic. RSVP requested, but not required.



Catholic Summer School - The Eucharist

Thursday, July 20, 2023 (6:30pm in Utopia Hall)

Each session will give a basic overview of the topic, provide some simple resources, and allow for questions (and hopefully some answers).



Catholic Summer School - Questions and Answers

Thursday, July 13, 2023 (6:30pm in Utopia Hall)

Each session will give a basic overview of the topic, provide some simple resources, and allow for questions (and hopefully some answers).



Ice Cream Social

Saturday, Aug. 12 (after 4:30pm Mass) | Sunday, Aug. 13 (after 11am Mass)

Come enjoy some Honey Hut Ice Cream. RSVP requested, but not required.



Back to School Outdoor Mass, Backpack Blessing & Cookout

Sunday, August 27 (11am Mass - Picnic to Follow)

Join us for Mass & a free picnic. RSVP requested, but not required.

*We're also looking ahead to the fall & winter months.
Stay tuned to our website calendar - stmparish.net/calendar*

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

Thank you for your generous support in last week's Peter's Pence Collection! Our contributions will join those from our brothers and sisters worldwide to help Pope Francis in his ministry to the Universal Church, including relief to people in need and support for the Holy See. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give.

Visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

FIRST CATHOLIC SLOVAK LADIES ASSOCIATION

All are invited to honor the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary on the Feast of SS. Joachim and Ann, Wednesday, July 26th, by attending the annual pilgrimage sponsored by the Cleveland District of the First Catholic Slovak Ladies Association at Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine (21281 Chardon Rd., Euclid). 10am - Confessions ~ 11am - Mass with Bishop Roger Gries, OSB ~ Noon - Pork Tenderloin luncheon served by the Trinitarian Sisters and \$100 raffle ~ 2:30pm - Eucharistic exposition, rosary and benediction. RSVP for the luncheon and raffle by July 15th - Lunch \$25/raffle tickets are \$5 each. For more information, call Gianna at 216-468-1021 or email at gianna@fcscla.com.



**A perfect day for your family...
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**Join us on Sunday, August 6, 2023 for The
FEST at the Center for Pastoral Leadership
in Wickliffe from 12 noon – 10 pm.**

An inspiring day of faith, family and fun – all for FREE. Hear the best national Christian artists – Chris Tomlin, Jeremy Camp, Big Daddy Weave and Katy Nichole!

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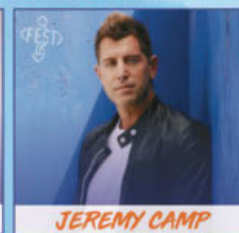
Enjoy family-friendly and affordable food. You can even conveniently park for FREE! FEST day comes to a close with a beautiful outdoor Mass at 8:00 pm. American Fireworks will cap off this GREAT family day. Invite your family and friends to join you for the perfect day for your family this summer.

Sunday, August 6, 2023

Noon -10:00 pm • Wickliffe, Ohio



CHRIS TOMLIN



JEREMY CAMP



BIG DADDY WEAVE



KATY NICHOLE

Details and schedule at:
WWW.THEFEST.US

**SAVE THE DATE
8.6.23**

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ST. LEO THE GREAT BUS TRIPS

RIVERS CASINO - Wednesday, August 16th (Pittsburgh, PA)
\$48/person

\$20 slot play \$5 food credit

Deadline: Monday, July 17th

AMISH COUNTRY - Monday, September 11th

Lunch at Berlin Farmstead (included)

Shopping at Ashery Country Store, Hershberger Bakery and Farm Market, Hillcrest Orchard, Kauffman Bakery and Heini's Cheese

\$80/person

Deadline: Monday, August 21st

SENECA NIAGARA CASINO - Overnight stay

Thursday, October 12th

Casino Bonus: \$35 slot play \$15 food credit

SENECA ALLEGANY CASINO - Friday, October 13th

Casino Bonus: \$25 slot play

Deadline: Friday, September 1st

Cost: \$287.00/person (single occupancy)

\$196.00/person (double occupancy)

\$188.00/person (triple occupancy)

For reservations or questions, please contact Sandy Diaddario at 216-926-3123.

MARY QUEEN OF PEACE

We will be hosting a FREE *Catholic Movie Night* on Sunday, July 16th at 6pm in the air conditioned Parish Center Upper Hall. Join us for "Angels in the Outfield" (1951). Dollar concessions available!

ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO

Join us for our annual Summer Celebration Friday, July 14th - Sunday, July 16th. For more information, please visit: stcharlesonline.org/summer-celebration.

CATHOLIC RENEWAL MINISTRIES

All are invited to attend Catholic Renewal Ministries' 40th Annual Conference to be held on Saturday, July 22nd at St. Albert the Great Parish Reception Hall, 6667 Wallings Rd., North Royalton, 44133. This year's theme is "Come, Be Filled with His Holy Spirit". Guest speakers will be Sr. Marie Fidelis from the Disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ Community, Dan DeMatte, the cohost of EWTN radio's *Encounter* program and the Executive Director of the Damascus Catholic Mission Campus, and Fr. Bob Franco, the Bishop's Liaison for Charismatic Renewal in the diocese. Fr. Joe Menkhous will be the celebrant for the Vigil Mass, and Matt Fafrak will lead us in contemporary praise music throughout the day and evening. Visit the CRM website: www.crmweb.org or call 440-944-9445 for more information. Advance registration postmarked by Wednesday, July 12th, is \$35, and at the door \$40. Come, experience the healing power and gifts of the Holy Spirit!

WEEKLY CONTENT

First Reading:

See, your king shall come to you; a just savior is he, meek, and riding on an ass, on a colt, the foal of an ass. (Zec 9:9)

Psalm:

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God. (Ps 145) Or Alleluia.

Second Reading:

For if you live according to the flesh, you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. (Rom 8:13)

Gospel:

Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. (Mt 11:29)

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 9, 2023

Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 (see

1)/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab/Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/ Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, and 15/Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19/Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7/Mt 10:24-33

Next Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:1, 11, 12-13, 14 (Luke 8:8)/Rom 8:18-23/Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

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MISSION STATEMENT

We, the faith community of St. Thomas More, a Roman Catholic Church in Brooklyn, Ohio, are centered in the celebration of the Eucharist. By following the actions and teachings of Jesus Christ under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we strive to build God's kingdom.

We seek to:

Celebrate God's presence in the Eucharist, his work and the community.

Pass on our faith tradition.

Strengthen, love and support all of God's people.

Nurture our gifts and share them with others.

Invite and welcome all who are in need of God.

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