

# ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE

1580 St. Thomas Way  
Lenoir City, TN 37772



January 16, 2022



## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

Hubo una boda en Caná de Galilea, a la cual asistió la madre de Jesús. Este y sus discípulos también fueron invitados. Como llegara a faltar el vino, María le dijo a Jesús: "Ya no tienen vino". - Jn 2, 1-3

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### MASSES

Saturday	5:00PM	7:00PM (Spanish)
Sunday	9:00AM	11:30AM
Daily	8:30AM	Monday – Friday
	9:00AM	Saturdays

### SACRAMENTS

**Anointing:** Please notify the parish office if you know anyone is seriously ill or in the hospital. (We will not be notified by the hospital due to patient confidentiality).

**Baptism:** Arranged by appointment.

**Confirmation:** Requires 1 year study and one retreat.

**Marriage:** Requires a minimum 6 month notice.

**Penance:** Tuesdays at 6:00-7:00PM, Saturdays from 9:45-10:30AM or by request.

### PARISH OFFICE

#### Telephone Numbers:

Office: 865-986-9885

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**Hours:** Monday - Thursday, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM  
(closed 12:00 – 12:30 PM for lunch)  
Friday 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

### PRIESTS

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<b>Council of Catholic Women:</b>	Mary Beth Bruss	865-408-9611
<b>EMHC:</b>	Michele Pubillones	865-985-2663
<b>Friendship Kitchen:</b>	Curt Sheldon	865-458-8510
<b>Homebound:</b>	Tim Geoghegan	321-482-1413
<b>Knights of Columbus:</b>	Jim Gold	484-885-0097
<b>Lectors:</b>	Michele Pubillones	865-985-2663
<b>RCIA:</b>	Edie Shanahan	865-308-3406
<b>Respect Life:</b>	Kay Sheldon	865-742-7557
<b>Rosaries:</b>	Pam Geoghegan	321-482-9668
<b>Sacristans:</b>	Michele Pubillones	865-985-2663
<b>Stephen Ministers:</b>	Tom Ringenbach	865-458-0915
<b>St. Vincent de Paul:</b>	Help Line Information - Jeff Kirk	865-274-8697 865-816-7765
<b>Ushers:</b>	Evelyn Edwards	865-250-6130

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION****Flowers:** If you would like to donate altar flowers for a special occasion please call the parish office.**Ministry to those in home or care facilities:** Please help us be attentive to those who are ill, homebound or in the hospital. Either the patient or a family member must notify the parish. Communion can be brought to the home or health-care facility by calling Tim Geoghegan at 321-482-1413.**Online prayer requests:** Marianne Hartman 865-458-0936 [mtnesttv@gmail.com](mailto:mtnesttv@gmail.com)**Parish registration:** registration forms are available in the parish office or you may register online.**Pregnancy help center hotline:** If you are facing a difficult or unplanned pregnancy, or need healing after an abortion, please call Catholic Charities Pregnancy Help Center "hotline" at toll free 877-990-4673.**Emergency Line:** 865-227-2894

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Mon	Jan 17	@ 8:30AM	Bill & Marilyn McDonald (int)
Tue	Jan 18	@ 8:30AM	Jeff Hodgman (dec)
Wed	Jan 19	@ 8:30AM	Alma Bennett (dec)
Thu	Jan 20	@ 8:30AM	Juan & Cristian Gonzalez (int)
Fri	Jan 21	@ 8:30AM	Lourdes Garza (dec)
Sat	Jan 22	@ 9:00AM	Rhonda Townsend (dec)
Sat	Jan 22	@ 5:00PM	Shirley Sledge (dec)
Sat	Jan 22	@ 7:00PM	Elsa Merida (dec)
Sun	Jan 23	@ 9:00AM	St. Thomas Parish
Sun	Jan 23	@ 11:30AM	Dylan Savage (dec)

**ATTENDANCE / ASISTENCIA**

Sat	Jan 8	@ 5:00	PM	244
Sat	Jan 8	@ 7:00	PM	450
Sun	Jan 9	@ 9:00	AM	252
<u>Sun</u>	<u>Jan 9</u>	<u>@ 11:30</u>	<u>AM</u>	<u>214</u>
Total				1,160

**STEPHEN MINISTRY**

The role of Stephen Ministers is to give care. They listen, empathize, encourage, pray, and provide emotional and spiritual support on a weekly basis to hurting people for as long as the need persists. God works in and through them to bring hope and healing. If you are feeling lonely, experiencing a crisis, struggling through a difficult time, or simply stressed by everyday life, contact Tom Ringenbach 865-458-0915 to learn more about Stephen Ministry. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to care for you!

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

In the Gospel today, at the wedding feast in Cana, Jesus reveals himself to his disciples and they began to believe in him. Everyday, God also gives us signs of his love and so we also can respond in faith and trust.

**Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul becomes a sign of God’s love to those who are suffering, and you give them reason to believe and to trust.**

**ONLINE PRAYER REQUESTS**

Prayer requests are sent out a few times a week. If you haven't received one lately please call Marianne Hartman at 865-458-0936. If you would like to have your intention prayed for, receive the prayer requests and remember them in your prayers please send your request, name and email address to [mtnesttv@gmail.com](mailto:mtnesttv@gmail.com).

**EWTN GLOBAL CATHOLIC NETWORK**

Would you like to see more Christ-centered, family television and radio? EWTN, the largest Catholic media network in the world, is available on cable, DirecTV, Dish Network, and SiriusXM, and on all your devices. If you have questions on how to access EWTN’s multifaceted programming, please visit [www.ewtn.com](http://www.ewtn.com) or contact Rafael Pubillones at [rpubillones@bellsouth.net](mailto:rpubillones@bellsouth.net).

**RCIA CATHOLIC INQUIRY SESSIONS**

Are you, a family member, or a friend interested in becoming Catholic? Our Inquiry sessions are held on Mondays (except for holidays) at 6:30pm, in Room 118 downstairs in the Parish Family Life Center. You are welcome to join us at any time to begin your journey! Please contact Edie Shanahan, (865)308-3406 or [ELS947@comcast.net](mailto:ELS947@comcast.net) for more information and/or to register for these sessions.

### OFFICE CLOSINGS

The parish office will be closed on Monday, January 17 in observance of Martin Luther King Day. We will close at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, January 19.

### WIDOWS' SUPPORT GROUP

Whether you've been recently widowed or it's been awhile, you have a place with us. We are a special group of ladies who truly understand the journey you're on, and provide encouragement and companionship. This month, Alice Mansmith, an experienced facilitator of widow support groups, will share her helpful tips for self care and keeping a positive mental attitude during our own unique grief journeys. We will meet in the Deacon Jose Rivera Room on **Tuesday, January 25 from 1:00p - 2:30p**. Each month we address matters of interest to our members. We also plan outings such as church activities, outside gatherings, patio lunches, volunteer opportunities, etc. For more information contact Angela Wichlinski, 865-567-6002.

### SVDP RETREAT



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be hosting a one day retreat on **Saturday, January 29, 2022**. It will focus on the two main objectives of the Society - "Spirituality" and "Helping those in need with Compassion". It will be **from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm** in the Deacon Jose Rivera Room. It is open to the current members of the Society, their spouses and any other parishioner interested in learning more about our ministry. If you would like to attend, please call our President, Jeff Kirk, at 865-816-7765

### ST. THOMAS CCW STARTS A NEW YEAR OF WONDERFUL PROGRAMS!!! Make it a New Year's resolution to attend.

**Monday, January 17 at 9:15 a.m. in the Deacon Jose Rivera Room**

Our January speaker will be Paul Simoneau from the Chancery. He will present "The Mystery of Human Suffering and End of Life Decisions". Paul works at the Diocese and does a great job of explaining important end of life decisions from a decidedly Catholic perspective. He will give each participant a packet of vital information.

### K of C PASTA DINNER

The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring its Annual Pasta Dinner on **Friday, January 28, 2022** in the St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Family Life Center. The menu will include dinner salad, pasta with tomato sauce, meatballs, Italian bread, iced tea, cake and coffee. Beer, wine, bottled water, and soda will be available at a small extra cost. There will be continuous service **from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM**. Tickets are available before and after all January weekend Masses. You may also call Joe Filosi, Pasta Dinner Chairman, for tickets at 423-884-6979. Price is \$12.00 per person and \$30.00 per family.



### KNOXVILLE MARCH FOR LIFE

**January 23, 2022**

Knoxville Right to Life will hold its annual March for Life to prayerfully remember the children killed by abortion since the 1973 Roe vs Wade decision to legalize abortion in the United States on Sunday, January 23. The march will start at 2 PM at or near the Convention Center in downtown Knoxville. The march will proceed to the abortion facility at 16<sup>th</sup> Street and Clinch Avenue. Participants will then return to their cars. If you have any questions, please contact Kay Sheldon at 865-742-7557 or [kaydsheldon@gmail.com](mailto:kaydsheldon@gmail.com).



## Loving, Learning and Living Our Faith!

### Luceon Luncheon on January 18 – Virtue and Vice

Start off your 2022 with the January 18 Luceon Luncheon. Deacon Dave's talk is based on a recent book by Dr. Edward Sri called "The Art of Living", which discusses how to better live the virtues and avoid the vices. The luncheon will start at 12:30 PM in the Deacon Jose Room. Lunch will be provided (a free will offering will be collected). Space is limited, so please make a reservation at <https://stthomaslc.flocknote.com/signup/77751>.

### January Book Club Selection: *Life is Messy*

The St. Thomas Book Club will be discussing this book at its next gathering, which will be on Friday, January 28 at 9:30am in **Room 118**. Based on his own heart-wrenching personal journals, Matthew Kelly shares how the worst three years of his life affected him, by exploring this question: Can someone who has been broken be healed and become more beautiful and more lovable than ever before? This book is about putting our lives back together, and allowing ourselves to be put back together, when life doesn't turn out as we expected it to. Paperback copies of the book are available on the narthex rack at the back of church. Contact Donna Maloney at [donnamaloney20@yahoo.com](mailto:donnamaloney20@yahoo.com) for more information.



### Adult Faith Formation Survey Results

Results of the Adult Faith Formation Survey will be reviewed by survey committee member, Jack McElligott, before all English Masses this weekend. He will be highlighting three areas:

1. new programs under development
2. community building and small groups
3. help with parish technology support to make it easier for people to access Flocknote and FORMED

A full survey summary is included in the bulletin.

### New Year's Resolution – [formed.org](http://formed.org)



St. Thomas the Apostle Church is pleased to continue to provide you a free subscription to **formed.org**. Entertaining movies, enlightening programs, inspiring talks and a great selection of ebooks – all at your convenience. There is something on **formed.org** for everyone in the family. Start your New Year's Resolution now – make good use of the best Catholic content all in one place! If you've already signed up, no need to sign up again. But if you haven't visited in a while, now is a good time to check out the current content.

If you are new to **formed.org**, It's so easy to get started:

- ⇒ Go to [FORMED.org](http://FORMED.org)/sign up
- ⇒ Enter our parish zip code (37772) or parish name
- ⇒ Enter your name and email address

If you have questions on any Adult Faith Formation program or want to sign-up, contact Arlene Maresca in the parish office at [arlene@stthomaslc.com](mailto:arlene@stthomaslc.com) or (865) 986-9885.



## Light of the World PARISH RETREAT

### Register now!

HAVE A PERSONAL ENCOUNTER WITH JESUS CHRIST THROUGH THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT!  
KNOW AND LIVE GOD'S PLAN FOR YOU!

The retreat will be an opportunity to learn the clear message of what the Gospel means to you and how you can move ahead in your journey of faith.

WHEN:	February 18-21, 2022	
WHERE:	St. Thomas Parish Family Life Center 1580 St. Thomas Way Lenoir City	
DATE/TIME:	Friday, Feb 18	6:00PM-8:00PM
	Saturday, Feb 19	8:00AM-6:30PM
	Sunday, Feb 20	8:00AM-6:30PM
	Monday, Feb 21	6:00PM-8:00PM

- ◆ NO COST
- ◆ Sat & Sun, breakfast, lunch, dinner provided
- ◆ NO OVERNIGHTS
- ◆ 18 YEARS & OLDER

You can register online on Flocknote at: <https://stthomaslc.flocknote.com/signup/74446>. Registration is limited to the first 40 people.

For more information, contact Flo Gibbons at [floanngibbs@yahoo.com](mailto:floanngibbs@yahoo.com) or 224-517-3222 or Jill St. Yves, 704-775-2809

**BE A PART OF THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD JOURNEY!**

### **NEW OPPORTUNITY - A CHURCH TOUR!**

The Welcome Committee is going to start giving tours of the church campus later this month. All parishioners are welcome. The goal is to help familiarize parishioners with the nooks and crannies of the church campus while at the same time meet some fellow parishioners. Topics and areas to be covered include: a brief history of the church, the church proper, the Parish Family Life Center (PFLC), as well as exterior features - statue of our patron saint, Our Lady of Guadalupe grotto in the parking lot island, the Columbarium, as well as the Stations of the Saints behind the church. The first tour will be on **Wednesday, January 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.** starting off in the church narthex. Interested souls must sign up in advance by contacting [eileenconnolly6@gmail.com](mailto:eileenconnolly6@gmail.com).

**HORARIO PARA LAS CONFESIONES**

Martes 6:00-7:00 PM  
Sábado 9:45 – 10:30 AM

**HORARIO PARA LAS MISAS**

**Sábado** 5:00 PM  
7:00 PM (Español)  
**Domingo** 9:00 AM  
11:30 AM  
**Misa del día** 8:30 AM de Lunes a Viernes y los sábados a las 9:00 AM

**HORARIO DE OFICINA PARROQUIAL**

Lunes a jueves, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM  
**(cerrado 12:00–12:30 PM)**  
Viernes 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM  
**El tercer miércoles del mes, cerramos de las 12:00 PM hasta las 2:00 PM.**

**¡EL PAPA FRANCISCO QUIERE SABER QUÉ PIENSAS!**

Es posible que hayan oído hablar de un Sínodo que se lleva a cabo en la Iglesia. ¿Qué es un sínodo? En pocas palabras, un sínodo es una reunión o asamblea de líderes de la Iglesia. En octubre, el Papa Francisco inició un camino sinodal de consultas y discernimiento de tres años, que culminará con una asamblea en octubre de 2023 en Roma. ¡Se nos ofrece una oportunidad única de participar en esto! Queremos saber lo que están pensando y estamos listos para escuchar. Los temas clave de este Sínodo son la escucha y el discernimiento. Esperamos lograr ambos en el proceso. Para comenzar, la Diócesis de Knoxville ha creado una encuesta en línea (vea el enlace abajo), que esperamos todos los feligreses, amigos y familiares se tomen el tiempo de completar. Estamos buscando comentarios de todo el Este de TN, católicos y no católicos por igual. Esta es una encuesta anónima que nos dará información valiosa para la discusión. Como seguimiento a la encuesta, nuestra parroquia ofrecerá una serie de reuniones en inglés y español para una mayor discusión, el miércoles 26 de enero a las 6:30 pm en inglés y el **miércoles 2 de febrero a las 6:30 pm en español**, ambas en el Centro Parroquial. Gracias de antemano por sus comentarios, pensamientos y oraciones.



Enlace a la encuesta: <https://synodsurvey.org/> (asegúrese de cambiar el lenguaje, arriba en la parte derecha de la página web)

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