



JUNE 27, 2021
**THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

MASS TIMES

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 10:00am
Monday 12:30pm
Tuesday 5:30pm
Wednesday 12:30pm
Thursday 5:30pm
Friday 12:30pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00pm
Monday 11:30am
Tuesday 6:00pm
Wednesday 11:30am
Thursday 6:00pm
Friday 11:30am

ADORATION

Thursday 9:00am-9:00pm

PARISH OFFICE

Monday to Friday
1:00pm-5:00pm

FOOD PANTRY

Tuesday and Thursday
10:00am-12:00pm
Wednesday 3:30pm-5:30pm

SACRAMENTS

If you're interested in Baptism, Confirmation, Anointing of the Sick, or Holy Matrimony, please contact Fr. Jeff. Marriage prep must take place at least six months before your intended date.

REGISTRATION

Student parishioners and new members of our permanent community can register at sttomsbg.org/register



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WEEKLY CALENDAR**SATURDAY, JUNE 26**

4:00pm—Reconciliation

5:00pm—Mass intention pro populo
Gn 18:1-15 | Mt 8:5-17**SUNDAY, JUNE 27***Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*10:00am—Mass intention for
Joe & Irene Martini (D, A)**MONDAY, JUNE 28***St Irenaeus*

11:30am—Reconciliation

12:30pm—Mass intention for
Alaire Bang

Gn 18:16-33 | Mt 8:18-22

TUESDAY, JUNE 29*Sts. Peter & Paul the Apostles*

5:00pm—Rosary for Life

5:30pm—Mass intention for
Larry Bostwick (D)

6:00pm—Reconciliation

Acts 12:1-11 | 2 Tm 4:6-8 | Mt 16:13-19

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30*The First Martyrs of the Church*

11:30am—Reconciliation

12:30pm—Mass intention for
Bill Bihn (D)

Gn 21:5, 8-20 | Mt 8:28-34

THURSDAY, JULY 1

Eucharistic Adoration

St. Junipero Serra

5:00pm—Rosary for Vocations

5:30pm—Mass intention for
All Parish Benefactors

6:00pm—Reconciliation

Gn 22:1-19 | Mt 9:1-8

FRIDAY, JULY 2

11:30am—Reconciliation

12:30pm—Mass intention for
Kate & Kevin Bang

Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67 | Mt 9:9-13

SATURDAY, JULY 3*St. Thomas the Apostle*

4:00pm—Reconciliation

5:00pm—Mass intention pro populo
Eph 2:19-22 | J 20:24-29**SUNDAY, JULY 4***Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Independence Day

10:00am—Mass

To schedule a Mass intention for a loved one, please contact the office.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Friends,

I once celebrated a slate of Sunday Masses in a parish with walking pneumonia. I was a disaster. I did the bare minimum prayer that were required of me. The deacon preached a short homily. I didn't leave my chair except to go to the altar to pray the shortest possible Eucharistic Prayer and then return to my seat. In between Masses, I fell into such a deep sleep on the couch in the pastor's office that one staff member, walking by, came in to check that I was still alive. But it was impossible last minute to find a substitute priest and, to paraphrase what I think is a Broadway expression: The Mass must go on!

Everyone's done that, I think—gone to work or school when we were sick and really should have just stayed home. That is, until last year. Last year taught me, among other things, that if I'm sick, I need to recognize I'm sick. I should probably go to a doctor and then focus on getting well. Life as usual will have to take a pause. This is true in all areas of our life.

If my body is sick, I should go to the doctor and then focus on getting better. If my soul is sick, I should go to confession and focus on growing in grace. And if my mind is sick...what then?

Mental illness is just as real and just as dangerous as illness of body and illness of soul. Mental health should be a goal right along side our physical fitness and our spiritual holiness. Certainly, we've all got some struggles in all of those areas, but we must carry on toward the goal nevertheless.

Good mental health care can be hard to find, but it's more necessary than ever these days. Your pastor is many things—priest, administrator, teacher, confessor, spiritual director—but a trained counselor is not one of those things. I'm pleased to have found a mental health professional to partner with that has a solid, holistic understanding of the human person—body, mind, and soul created in the image and likeness of God.

You can read a little bit more about Luke Brown and Sacred Heart Counseling in this weekend's bulletin. Luke is pleased to be able to offer telehealth counseling to members of our parish. Sacred Heart Counseling does not bill insurance companies and so is able to provide affordable mental health care regardless of insurance status. Our Mission Support Fund will enable us to provide financial assistance to BGSU students who seek counseling through Sacred Heart during their time here at St. Thomas More.

The healing ministry of Jesus encompassed the healing of the entire person; body, mind, and soul. I'm pleased that we have Luke as an extension of our St. Tom's family—a Partner in Mission—to help in providing care for the whole human person.

St. Dymphna: Pray for us!

Yours in Christ,
Father Jeff**A PRAYER TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS**

O most holy heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore you, I love you, and with lively sorrow for my sins I offer you this poor heart of mine. Make me humble, patient, pure and wholly obedient to your will. Grant, Good Jesus, that I may live in you and for you. Protect me in the midst of danger. Comfort me in my afflictions. Give me health of body, assistance in my temporal needs, your blessing on all that I do, and the grace of a holy death. Amen.

OUR PARISH FAMILY

PARISH WEEKEND COLLECTION

May Goal = \$20,000.00

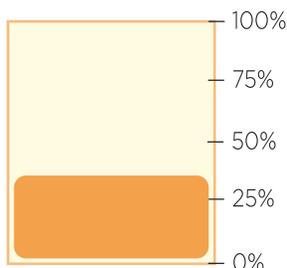
Online Giving

June 26/27

June 19/20 = \$ 2,384.00

June 12/13 = \$2,015.45

June 5/6 = \$2,744.00



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY

We are asking for donations of cereal and egg noodles at this time. You can also give back to our food pantry if you have a Kroger Rewards card by going to Kroger Community Rewards and connect your rewards card to St. Thomas More Food Pantry!



PISANELLO'S PIZZA COUPONS

Looking for an easy night without cooking, while supporting our St. Vincent de Paul food pantry in an ongoing fundraiser? Purchase coupons anytime in our parish office at \$3.00 each for a 7" two-topping personal pizza from Pisanello's located downtown.

TEAMWORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK

You can sign up today to join our Gardening, Chapel Care & Beauty, and Buildings & Grounds teams for those wanting to help care for our grounds, or help out at Mass as a Minister of Holy Communion (there will be training this weekend and the weekend of July 10/11), Hospitality team, or become a member of the parish choir. Visit sttomsbg.org/volunteer for more information today!

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.

OUR PARISH STAFF

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CUE FROM THE PEW

After pulling three double shifts in a row, my brother Billy, a hotel clerk, was worn out. On one of his few breaks, he went to the hotel restaurant to grab a bite. When his food came, Billy, his mind in a fog, bowed his head for the blessing and whispered these words to God: "Good evening, Holiday Inn, how can I help you?"



PRAYING FOR OUR COMMUNITY

To add a loved one to our list, please contact the office.

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IN OUR DIOCESAN COMMUNITY

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ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Countless lives are touched by every contribution to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal. Children, seminary students, the sick and aged, the needy—they all depend on our generosity. Help make our faith community a place “Where Charity & Love Prevail”. As a parish we have collected **96% of our goal**. For more information on ministries funded by the appeal, visit acatoledo.org

Total Raised
\$17,223.46 of **\$17,884.00**

MEN’S DISCERNMENT RETREAT

Join the Diocese of Toledo and the Diocesan Priestly Vocations Director, Fr. Phil Smith, here at St. Tom’s on July 21, from 10:00am to 4:00pm. This day retreat is open to all High School male students interested in learning more about the priesthood. For more information or to register for this retreat, contact psmith@toledodiocese.org or **419.214.4941**

IT’S A WONDERFUL LIFE

The Supreme Court sided unanimously with a Catholic foster agency, in a dispute against the city of Philadelphia over whether it should be banned from participating in the city’s foster program because it excludes same-sex couples.

The group, Catholic Social Services (CSS) claimed that “Philadelphia’s attempts to exclude the Catholic Church from foster care” violated the First Amendment. Lawyers for the city, meanwhile said that CSS “lacks a constitutional right to demand that DHS offer it a contract that omits the same nondiscrimination requirement every other FFCA must follow when performing services for the City.”

In a 9-0 ruling, the justices sided with Catholic Social Services.

“CSS seeks only an accommodation that will allow it to continue serving the children of Philadelphia in a manner consistent with its religious beliefs; it does not seek to impose those beliefs on anyone else”. Chief Justice John Roberts wrote in a majority opinion, “The refusal of Philadelphia to contract with CSS for the provision of foster care services unless it agrees to certify same-sex couples as foster parents cannot survive strict scrutiny and violates the First Amendment.”

Tyler Olson, Bill Mears
Foxnews.com

ROE V WADE SHOWING

Foundation For Life and Office for Life of Catholic Charities presents Roe v Wade, July 15, 6:30pm, for one night only, at the Maumee Indoor Theater on Conant Street. Come see this film presentation of the decision which legalized abortion throughout America. 9 people’s decision; 62 million dead throughout America. Admission is \$5. Register Online at FFLWNO.org. Tickets are limited to 450.

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THE POPE’S MONTHLY INTENTION

Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.



Sacred Heart Counseling, LLC is a counseling center based in Northeast Ohio that provides holistic services accounting for body, mind, and spirit based in the Christian tradition. Our services integrate spirituality and theology to assist people from all backgrounds to find healing and peace.

Luke Brown, LPC



After completing a Bachelor's Degree in Philosophy from St. Mary's University in Winona, MN, Luke received a Master's Degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling from South Dakota State University in his native South Dakota. He is a licensed professional counselor in the state of Ohio and has experience working with children, adolescents, college students, couples, and families in both group and individual settings. Luke has also served various populations in juvenile detentions centers, homeless shelters, and federal prisons.

With a background in philosophy and theology, Luke is able to take a holistic approach by integrating mind, body, and spirit into the counseling experience. Luke strives to assist individuals by utilizing their existing strengths and incorporating them into a collaborative process with each client towards healing.

Luke founded Sacred Heart Counseling in 2020 and serves as an adjunct professor at St. Mary's Seminary & Graduate School of Theology in Wickliffe, OH.

"The thing I find most rewarding in my work is having a front row seat to some of the most profound instances of Christ's healing in people's lives."

Schedule a telehealth session with Luke at www.sacredheartcleveland.com
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