

# MASS TIMES

Saturday 5:00pm Sunday 10:00am, 5:00pm, 9:00pm (Will resume 8/21) Monday 12:30pm Tuesday 5:30pm Wednesday 12:30pm Thursday 5:30pm Friday 12:30pm

# RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:00pm Sunday 4:00pm (Will resume 8/21) Monday 11:30am Tuesday 6:00pm Wednesday 11:30am Thursday 6:00pm Friday 11:30am

# ADORATION

Wednesday 9:00pm (Will resume 8/24) Thursday 9:00am-9:00 pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS Monday to Friday 1:00-5:00pm

#### FOOD PANTRY

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

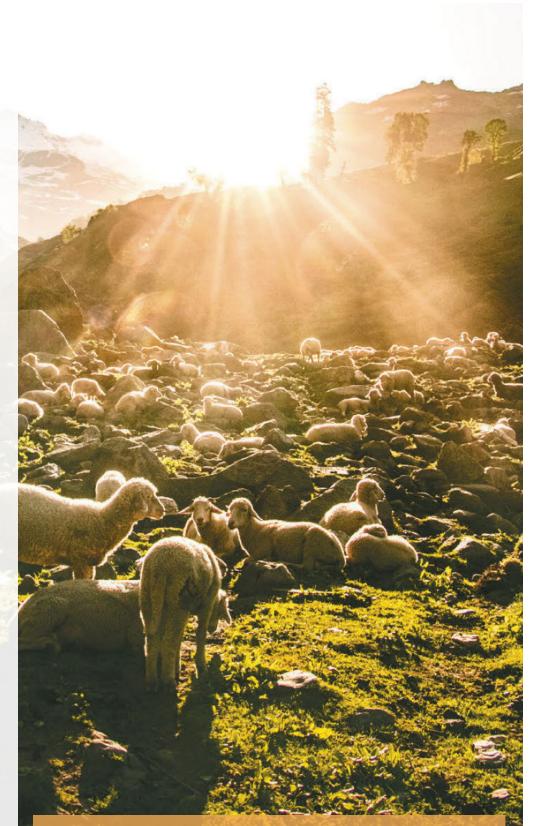
# SACRAMENTS

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

# REGISTRATION

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

# May 8, 2022 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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# WEEKLY CALENDAR SATURDAY, MAY 7

Acts 9:31-42 | Jn 6:60-69 4:00 Reconciliation 5:00 Mass

# SUNDAY, MAY 8

Mothers' Day 10:00am - Mass intention - pro popolo

# MONDAY, MAY 9

Acts 11:1-18 | Jn 10:1-10 11:30am - Reconciliation 12:30pm - Mass

## **TUESDAY, MAY 10**

St Damien de Veuster, Priest Acts 11:19-26 | Jn 10:22-30 5:00pm - Rosary for Life 5:30pm - Mass 6:00pm - Reconciliation

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

Acts 12:24-13:5a | Jn 12:44-50 11:30am - Reconciliation 12:30pm - Mass intention: William & Bonnie Krabill

# THURSDAY, MAY 12

Saints Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs; Saint Pancras, Martyr Acts 13:13-25 | Jn 13:16-20 5:00 Rosary for Vocations 5:30pm - Mass 6:00 pm - Reconciliation

# FRIDAY, MAY 13

*Our Lady of Fatima Acts 13: 26-33* | *Jn 14:1-6* 11:30 Reconciliation 12:30 pm Mass

#### SATURDAY, MAY 14

Saint Matthias, Apostle Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 | Jn 15:9-17 4:00pm Reconciliation 5:00pm Mass intention: Donelda Royal

SUNDAY, MAY 15 10:00am - Mass intention: pro popolo

To add a Mass intention, please call the parish office.

A - Anniversary | B - Birthday | D - Deceased

# A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Friends,

A very "Happy Mother's Day" to all of the mothers in our parish! Not only is today a day for celebrating our mothers, grandmothers, and godmothers, but we also find ourselves in the month of May, traditionally dedicated to celebrating Mary, the Mother of God and Mother of the Church. Pope Francis shortly after his election, visited the Basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome where he reflected on Christian motherhood and the motherly love Our Lady shows for all of her children. He said that a mother does three things: she helps us grow, to confront life, and to be free.

"A mother," says Pope Francis, "helps her children grow up and wants them to grow strong; that is why she teaches them not to be lazy... not to sink into a comfortable lifestyle, contenting oneself with possessions. The mother takes care that her children develop better, that they grow strong, capable of accepting responsibilities, of engaging in life, of striving for great ideals."

"A mother," he continues, "[teaches her children] to face the difficulties of life. You do not teach, you do not take care of health by avoiding problems, as though life were a motorway with no obstacles. The mother helps her children see the problems of life realistically and not to get lost in them but to confront them with courage, not to be weak, and to know how to overcome them, in a healthy balance that a mother 'senses' between the area of security and the area of risk..." With the Christian love of a mother, we need not be afraid of struggle, but we can face it head on.

"Lastly...a good mother also helps [her children] to make definitive decisions with freedom," says the Holy Father. The choice to be a mother is a permanent decision. A "yes" which requires sacrifice, trust, and sacrificial love. "How difficult it is to make a final decision in our time." Lifetime commitments seem daunting and "temporary things seduce us." Mothers show us how to trust in God and say yes to Him and His plan for our lives.

Let us thank God today from our hearts for the ways our mothers have helped us to grow, taught us to confront the challenges of life, and inspired us to make lifetime commitments and trust in God's plan for us. May Mary our Mother continue to show her maternal care for all the members of God's family and may she do for each one of us that thing which she does best: take us by the hand and lead us closer to her Son, Jesus Christ.

> In Jesus through Mary, Fr. Jeff

# **OUR PARISH FAMILY**

# PARISH WEEKEND COLLECTION

# May Goal = \$25,000

Other Giving (end of month) Online Giving (end of month) May 28/29 = \$ May 21/22 = \$ May 14/15 = \$ May 7/8 = \$

100%
75%
50%
25%
0%

April 30/May 1 = \$4110.00

(End of month giving for April will be shared when it's available.)

## **OFFICE SCHEDULE CHANGE**

The church office will be closed on Fridays in June and July.

# **Our ST VINCENT DePAUL FOOD PANTRY**

is in need of spaghetti noodles and tuna. Families who receive food from the food pantry are currently receiving a \$10 gas card--one per household, through May 13.

Pisanello's Pizza coupons are available in the parish office. For \$3 you get a personal size pizza AND you support our St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry!

# SPONSOR OF THE WEEK GEARHART Plumbing, Heating, and Cooling 728 W Newton Rd Bowling Green 419-352-4384 Construction Contracts, Maintenance, Repairs

A big thank you to our local sponsors! We encourage parishioners to patronize our bulletin sponsors. Their advertising allows our bulletin publications to be printed free of charge.



Silent adoration will be once again offered this summer, from 9:00am-9:00pm each Thursday, through August 18. You don't have to commit to an hour to sit with our Lord! Want to receive texts about subbing for an hour? Sign up at www.sttomsbg.org/adoration

# **PARISH STAFF & STUDENT LEADERS**

## PASTOR

Rev. Jeffery Walker, STL, fr.jeffwalker@sttomsbg.org Schedule a meeting at go.oncehub.com/frjeffwalker

# DEACON

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Join our flock to receive text and email updates from our parish. All you need to do is text STTOMS to 84576. No additional downloads, get the notifications for only the ministries you want to hear about!

Please keep our Director of Buildings and Grounds, Ray Kagy, in your prayers, as he recuperates from successful surgery on April 21.

# PRAYING FOR OUR COMMUNITY

To add a loved one to our list, please contact the office. Norma Stowe • Eileen Martini • M. Blankenship • Chris Stratton • Brian Shoup • Mary Bobinski • Izac Szymczak • Elizabeth Barringer • Cheryl Powell • Georgiana Miller • Carter • Richard Booms • Gary Heba • Allen Heringhaus • Marie Martini • Kate Michelman • Anne Goldstone • Fr. Jason Kahle • the souls of Larry and Laura, spouse and daughter of Eileen Bostwick • Bonnie Wilcox • Corney Collins • Sutton Brown • Darlene Schings • LaMar Malone

# OUR DIOCESAN COMMUNITY





June 4, 2022 at 4:00 pm

429 Central Avenue, Sandusky

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Contact: Lynn Priest, Accessibility Ministries Specialist 419-214-4886 | lpriest@toledodiocese.org



# **IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE**

Chay Jeffreys' parents refused to give up hope when their son was born at just 23 weeks of pregnancy in June 2021. After refusing twice to allow doctors to turn off Chay's life support, they watched their son slowly and steadily progress until he finally grew well enough to go home, the Epoch Times reports.

"Chay is our little hero," his mother, Megan Mcgee, said. "When he was born, he didn't cry as he wasn't breathing. It was horrible not knowing what was going on, but a really lovely nurse took a little video of them working on him, so I had an idea of what was happening." Chay spent the next nine months in the hospital. Twice during that time, his mother said the doctors recommended removing him from the ventilator, but she and Chay's father refused. Now, Chay is at home and his parents said he is thriving. "He still needs a bit of oxygen, but they think he'll be off that in a few months, too," his mother said. "It's wonderful."

More premature babies are surviving and thriving thanks to modern medicine.

**Micalah Bilger** LifeNews.com

## THE CASE FOR PERSONHOOD AND POST ROE

Foundation for Life is presenting a forum on "The Case for Personhood & Post Roe - What Now?" The presenter is Lee Strang, a nationally recognized constitutional scholar. This timely educational forum will be Tuesday, May 17, 7:00-8:30 pm in the NOCA Auditorium, 5025 Glendale Ave, Toledo. RSVP on the events tab at fflnwo.org.

# **2022 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**

"This year's theme calls us to Do Prayer, Do Service, Do Gratitude, that others may recognize our Lord Jesus through our words and actions." (Bishop Daniel E. Thomas)

The parishioners of St Thomas More University Parish have pledged or donated \$17,365.00 so far, which is 84% of our total goal of \$20,581.00 for the 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA).

The whole Diocese has reached 75.5% of its goal, which is \$3,250,000.



Parents of Priests for Priests

Prayers for Clergy, Religious, and/or Groups of Individuals for each day of the month.



Dear Lord, we pray that the Blessed Mother wrap her mantle around your priests and through her intercession strengthen them for their ministry. We pray that Mary will guide your priests to follow her own words, "Do whatever He tells you" (Jn 2:5). May your priests have the heart of St. Joseph, Mary's most chaste spouse. May the Blessed Mother's own pierced heart inspire them to embrace all who suffer at the foot of the cross. May your priests be holy, filled with the fire of your love seeking nothing but your greater glory and the salvation of souls. Amen.

Saint John Vianney, pray for us.

# May 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
Pope Francis 1	Bishop Daniel E. Thomas 2	Your Parish Priests 3	Parents of Priests 4	Rev. Scott Woods 5	Rev. Richard Wurzel 6	Increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life 7	
Rev. Paschal Mary Yohe 8	Rev. Alan Zobler 9	Rev. Austin Ammanniti 10	Seminarian Mr. Evan M. <sup>Sekerak</sup> 11	Rev. James Auth 12	Rev. James Bacik 13	Rev. John Bamman 14	
Deacons and Missionary <sup>Priests</sup> 15	Rev. Albert Beltz 16	Rev. Michael Bialorucki 17	Rev. Msgr. Michael Billian 18	Rev. John Blaser 19	Rev. Stephen Blum 20	Rev. Nathan Bockrath 21	
Religious Brothers and Sisters 22	Rev. Christopher Bohnsack 23	Rev. Daniel Borgelt 24	Rev. Msgr. Marvin Borger 25	Seminarian Mr. Luke W. Stoll 26	Rev. Joseph Brickner 27	Rev. Ronald Brickner 28	
Rev. Harold Brown 29	Deceased Priests of our Diocese 30	Rev. James Brown 31	+ + + DIOCESE OF TOLEDO + + +				

