

**DAILY MASS**  
**Saturday, February 2**  
**5:00pm (Church) RUTH HAMMAN ROBINSON**  
**Sunday, February 3**  
**9:00am (Church) FOR THE PEOPLE**  
**11:00am (Chapel) ALL DECEASED MEMBERS OF**  
 THE CHAPEL by Don & Laurie Staub

**Monday, February 4**  
**NO MASS**

**Tuesday, February 5**  
**NO MASS**

**Wednesday, February 6**  
**NO MASS**

**Thursday, February 7**  
**NO MASS**

**Friday, February 8**  
**NO MASS**

Next Weekend's Masses  
**Saturday, February 9**

**5:00pm (Church) PATRICIA "PAT" BOWERS** by Lou Maierhofer

**Sunday, February 10**

**9:00am (Church) LAWRENCE SWEENEY** by Tom & Judy Noland

**11:00am (Chapel) FOR THE PEOPLE**

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

**Week of January 26-27**

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| Adult Envelopes     | \$1791.50 |
| Student Envelopes   | \$7.80    |
| Loose Contributions | \$152.48  |
| Fuel & Heat         | \$146.00  |

*Quote of the Week*

"The Lord sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor to proclaim liberty to captives."

Gospel Acclamation, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



**STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT**  
**ALTAR SERVERS**

|          |                           |
|----------|---------------------------|
| Feb. 2:  | 5:00pm                    |
| Feb. 3:  | 9:00am Aidan Steele       |
| Feb. 9:  | 5:00pm                    |
| Feb. 10: | 9:00am Kade Rhule         |
| Feb. 16: | 5:00pm                    |
| Feb. 17: | 9:00am Adam Mikesic       |
| Feb. 23: | 5:00pm                    |
| Feb. 24: | 9:00am Caroline Eckenrode |

**CHURCH LECTOR**

|          |        |                     |
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| Feb. 2:  | 5:00pm | Dale Claar          |
| Feb. 3:  | 9:00am | Agnes Carper        |
| Feb. 9:  | 5:00pm | Phil Claar          |
| Feb. 10: | 9:00am | Terri Potchak       |
| Feb. 16: | 5:00pm | Cindy Wicker        |
| Feb. 17: | 9:00am | Jim Trombetto       |
| Feb. 23: | 5:00pm | Mary Lou Maierhofer |
| Feb. 24: | 9:00am | Terri Potchak       |

**CHURCH EUCHARISTIC MINISTER**

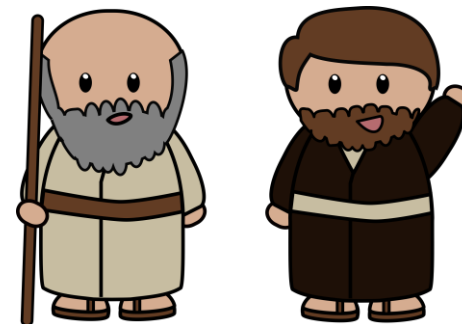
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| Feb. 2:  | 5:00pm | Joe & Laura Tremblay         |
| Feb. 3:  | 9:00am | Will Kitt-Deanie Cafferty    |
| Feb. 9:  | 5:00pm |                              |
| Feb. 10: | 9:00am | Matt Steele-Judy Noland      |
| Feb. 16: | 5:00pm | Betsie Claar-Jane Barlick    |
| Feb. 17: | 9:00am | Jerome Conlon-Dick Biemiller |
| Feb. 23: | 5:00pm | Joe & Laura Tremblay         |
| Feb. 24: | 9:00am | Will Kitt - Deanie Cafferty  |

**Blessing of Throats: Sunday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>** is the feast day of St. Blaise. He once saved a man from choking. Throats will be blessed during the weekend masses.

**World Day of The Sick:** Pope John Paul II designated **February 11** as World Day of the Sick, "a special time of prayer and sharing, of offering one's suffering for the good of the Church and of reminding us to see in our sick brother and sister the face of Christ who, by suffering, dying, and rising, achieved the salvation of humankind".

**SUNDAY REFLECTION**

**Fulfill the Role of Prophet.** When politicians campaigning for office deliver a speech, they may run into various reactions. Some of their listeners agree, others disagree, even violently, while still others shrug their shoulders and do not really care. Why is it that this happens also to honest would-be public servants, who have a good platform and are seriously intending to serve their community? One reason must be our limited human nature. Narrow-mindedness, prejudice, lack of general information, being part of a closed society, and evil threatened by good my contribute to these various reactions. Christianity as a beautiful philosophy of life is preached all over the globe. Some accept it and find a meaningful life which leads to satisfaction and happiness. Others reject it, possibly because they see it as a threat to their own set of values. Still others really do not care, and among these are persons seeking a short-term meaning in life. Not all who fail to accept the message of Christ are bad people. Accepting Christ and his outlook on life requires faith, and faith is a free gift of God. It is risky to accuse nonbelievers of guilt and ill-will. We do much better to leave judgment up to God, and by word and example to give witness of a Christian life-style which we believe leads to lasting happiness.



**RELIGIOUS ED/ALTAR SERVERS:**

Students in our Religious Ed program are asked to see Father Leo ASAP.



**Give Me Love to Love Others**

*Dear Lord,  
 Your love for us is perfect. Help us to learn to love like you. Sometimes we find ourselves in situations when it is hard to love others. Help us, Lord, to always remember that you have commanded us to love others as ourselves. Thank you for loving us so perfectly. May we truly learn to love like you.  
 Amen.*

**Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers Needed:**

Anyone interested in ministering as a lector (reader at Mass) or as a Eucharistic Minister to assist at the altar with Holy Communion is asked to see Father Leo.

Called to *Serve*

## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

What vows do members of religious orders take? (Priests, Nuns, Brothers)

**Answer:** Members of religious orders, living the consecrated life in community, take vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience.

**New Question:** Who is the “visionary” of Lourdes, France?



### Family Ritual

Write a letter of thanks to someone who has loved you. It could be a parent, grandparent, godparent, favorite relative, a mentor, etc. Tell them how they have made an impact on your life and thank them for their gift of love to you. Say a prayer for them and to God for He surely is the one who has loved you the most. ♥♥

### Looking Ahead to Lent and Easter

This year, Lent begins on **Ash Wednesday, March 6, 2019**, with Mass and “The Imposition of Ashes”. Holy Week begins on “Palm Sunday of the Lord”. Palms are blessed and distributed and the “Passion” from St. Matthew is proclaimed.

“Remember that you are dust, and to dust you will return.”



### LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYER....

Please pray for the following persons as they struggle with their individual issues:

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|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <i>Colleen Ercole</i>             | <i>Natalia Torres</i>     |
| <i>Shirley Neely</i>              | <i>Fr. James Coveny</i>   |
| <i>Ted DeLozier</i>               | <i>Patricia Swartz</i>    |
| <i>Suzanne Bowser</i>             | <i>Carrie</i>             |
| <i>Charlotte Malloy</i>           | <i>Jeanne DeLozier</i>    |
| <i>Gloria Minori &amp; Family</i> | <i>Kubat Family</i>       |
| <i>Ed Weyandt</i>                 | <i>Fr. Ray Crosser</i>    |
| <i>Fr. Bernard White</i>          | <i>Melanie Cartwright</i> |
| <i>Kathleen Musselman</i>         | <i>Mary Grace Imgrund</i> |
| <i>Audrey Nale</i>                | <i>Janet Mauk</i>         |
| <i>Donald Smith</i>               | <i>Joe Resig</i>          |
| <i>Kim Smith</i>                  | <i>Jill Glunt</i>         |
| <i>Steve</i>                      | <i>Fr. Phil Johnson</i>   |
| <i>Tom Gibbs</i>                  | <i>Richard Fagan</i>      |

May our Lord hear our prayers and bless those in need of his healing love.

### Families and the Gospel...

**February 3**      **Luke 4:21-30**

Mary and Joseph must have been proud when their village “all spoke well of Jesus and were amazed at his words.” But they probably felt shame when the same people drove him out of town. Like Mary and Joseph, the highs and lows of parenting are our path to being a Holy Family.

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Challenges are what make life interesting and overcoming them is what makes life meaningful.

Joshua J. Marine

## St. Thomas More Parish Community

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**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**February 3, 2019**

### Mass Schedule:

**Saturday:** Church: 5:00 pm  
**Sunday:** Church: 9:00 am  
Chapel: 11:00 am  
**Daily:** Bulletin  
**Holy Days:** Church 6:30 pm Vigil  
Chapel 6:30 pm

### Office Hours:

Wednesday 9:00am – 3:00pm  
Bulletin Deadline: 9:00 am Wednesday

**Prayer Chain:** [dostmpray4@gmail.com](mailto:dostmpray4@gmail.com)

or call Dolores O’Dea 793-4902

**Facebook Page:** St. Thomas More Catholic Church  
Roaring Spring PA

**Registration:** Call the rectory or after Mass

### Sacrament of Baptism:

Arrange with Fr. Lynch in advance. Parents required to take Baptismal Preparation Class.

**First Holy Communion:** Celebrated during the Easter season by Grade 2 Religious Ed students.

**Confirmation:** Celebrated during the Easter season by Grade 11 Rel. Ed students. Prep begins in Grade 9

### Sacrament of Marriage:

Arrange with Father Leo. All couples are expected to participate in the pre-marriage preparation program.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Celebrated communally in the Fall & Spring; available anytime on request.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):

Celebrated 20 minutes before weekend Masses and 7:00pm on /Fridays during Lent; available anytime on request.

**Rectory:** 825 Williams Street  
Roaring Spring, PA 16673

**Church:** 619 East Main Street  
Roaring Spring, PA 16673

**Chapel:** 352 Bedford Street  
Claysburg, PA 16625

**D.R.E.:** Reva Smith – 242-3388

**Secretary:** Connie Tomlinson - 937-8009

**Confirmation Coor.:** Laurie Staub - 239-8290

### Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

**(RCIA):** RCIA is the process where people from other faith traditions enter into full communion with the Roman Catholic Church. See Father Leo for information.

### MISSION STATEMENT

We are a community of believers, in the Roman Catholic tradition, responding to the Risen Lord’s invitation to preach the Good News, and, if necessary, to use words.

We are called to form and nurture our faith community through the celebration of the sacraments, especially the Eucharist, and to minister to each other’s needs out of charity for all. Education from cradle to grave enhances our growth and extends the Lord’s kingdom.

We share what we have and who we are because our loving Father has revealed to us that faith is a verb, not a noun. We pray that what our Father has given us by way of time, talent and treasure can be transformed into expressions of love for Him and each other.